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House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 4, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Roger L. Story, National Children's Prayer Congress, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, we come in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We thank You for the Biblical foundations which undergird our Nation.

We ask Your Holy Spirit's presence be very real in this House, giving counsel and wisdom when asked, comfort and conviction when needed. May Congress, and we, the people, bring honor and glory to Your name, as we confess our sins and ask for Your unmerited favor.

We pray this very day Congress will make a commitment to be responsible to You, O God, for actions that reflect godly character as an example to our children and a personal commitment to uphold God's desire for the life of our Nation's children, through the words Congress proclaims and decisions they make.

We now humbly ask that, in Your mercy, You will heal our land, not just on the surface, but deep down to our very core.

We pray in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 481, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 1, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 1, 2017, at 1:37 p.m.:

That the Senate agree to return the papers to the House at their request H.J. Res. 76.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 2, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 2, 2017, at 12:40 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 860.

That the Senate passed S. 190.

That the Senate passed S. 178.

That the Senate concur in the House amendments S. 114.

That the Senate passed S. 582.

That the Senate passed S. 717.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2210.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 510.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 2288.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 339.

That the Senate passed with amendments H.R. 601.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 3, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 3, 2017, at 9:22 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 829.

That the Senate passed S. 81.

That the Senate passed S. 1282.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3218.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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Appointments:
Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission.
With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 3, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 3, 2017, at 2:02 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 581.
That the Senate passed S. 1052.
That the Senate passed S. 204.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2430.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 3, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 3, 2017, at 4:23 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 765.
With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 3, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 3, 2017, at 4:54 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1616.
With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 4, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 4, 2017, at 9:53 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 19.
That the Senate passed S. 96.
That the Senate passed S. 174.
That the Senate passed S. 134.
That the Senate passed S. 123.
That the Senate passed S. 88.
That the Senate passed S. 1182.
That the Senate passed S. 756.
That the Senate passed S. 1617.
That the Senate passed S. Con. Res. 15.
That the Senate passed S. 1141.
That the Senate passed S. 810.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 374.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 873.
With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 4, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 4, 2017, at 12:13 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1099.
With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES,
Deputy Clerk.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN EN- GROSSMENT OF H.J. RES. 76, GRANTING CONSENT AND AP- PROVAL OF CONGRESS TO ES- TABLISH WASHINGTON METRO- RAIL SAFETY COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Clerk is directed to make the change in the engrossment of H.J. Res. 76 that has been placed at the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

In the final whereas clause, strike the period at the end and insert the following: "Now, therefore, be it".

There was no objection.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 81. An act to establish an advisory office within the Bureau of Consumer Protection of the Federal Trade Commission to prevent fraud targeting seniors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 88. An act to ensure appropriate spectrum planning and interagency coordination to support the Internet of Things; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 178. An act to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system's response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases; to the Committee on the Judiciary; in addition, to the Committee on Energy and Commerce for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 204. An act to authorize the use of unapproved medical products by patients diagnosed with a terminal illness in accordance with State law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 581. An act to include information concerning a patient's opioid addiction in certain medical records; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 582. An act to reauthorize the Office of Special Counsel, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

S. 717. An act to promote pro bono legal services as a critical way in which to empower survivors of domestic violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 756. An act to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Act to promote international action to reduce marine debris, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; in addition, to the Committee on Natural Resources for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 765. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for penalties for the sale of any Purple Heart awarded to a member of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 810. An act to facilitate construction of a bridge on certain property in Christian County, Missouri, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

S. 829. An act to reauthorize the Assistance to Firefighters Grants program, the Fire Prevention and Safety Grants program, and the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

S. 1052. An act to strengthen the use of patient-experience data within the benefit-risk framework for approval of new drugs; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 1099. An act to provide for the identification and prevention of improper payments and the identification of strategic sourcing opportunities by reviewing and analyzing the use of Federal agency charge cards; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

S. 1282. An act to redesignate certain clinics of the Department of Veterans Affairs located in Montana; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S. 1616. An act to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Bob Dole, in recognition for his service to the nation as a soldier, legislator, and statesman; to the Committee on Financial Services.