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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LONG).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 25, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable BILLY LONG to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Vincent De Rosa, St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Lord God, we praise You, who rule all things. We thank You for another day and another opportunity to serve You in our citizens. We ask Your forgiveness for past failings, whether by act or omission.

We intercede for this venerable House: grant the strength required to be humble before the necessities of our people, especially those most in need.

May Your strong hand be our defense, Your mercy our salvation, Your truth our guide, and Your grace our comfort, so that we may all along and at last be faithful to our mission.

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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 481, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, August 29, 2017.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2314. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Admiral Michelle J. Howard, United States Navy, and her advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

2315. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's NUREG — Volumes 1 and 2, NUREG-2192, Generic Aging Lessons Learned for Subsequent License Renewal (GALL-SLR) Report and Standard Review Plan for Review of Subsequent License Renewal Applications for Nuclear Power Plants received August 15, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2316. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Office of the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 06-17, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2317. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's annual report for 2016 on Voting Practices in the United Nations, pursuant to Sec. 406 of Public Law 101-246, as amended by Public Law 108-447; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2318. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2319. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Office of the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of a vacancy and designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2320. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Waiving Departmental Review of Appraisals and Valuations of Indian Property [167A2100DD/AAK001030/A0A501010.999900] (RIN: 1093-AA20) received August 16, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2321. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as Amended (RIN: 1400-AD30) received August 15, 2017, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 965. A bill to redesignate the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site as the "Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park", and for other purposes, with an

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amendment (Rept. 115-277). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1807. A bill to exempt from the Lacey Act and the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 certain water transfers between any of the States of Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana (Rept. 115-278, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 1807 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. MAST:

H.R. 3665. A bill to require the Inter-Agency Task Force on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia to develop a plan for reducing, mitigating, and controlling harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in the Greater Everglades region, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and 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.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself and Mr. O'ROURKE):

H.R. 3666. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a registry of certain veterans who were stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

111. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 2 and House Joint Resolution No. 3, rescinding all previous requests that the Congress of the United States call a convention of the states to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. MAST:

H.R. 3665.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Necessary and Proper Clause in Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. TONKO:

H.R. 3666.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States, but all Duties, Imposts, and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 15: Mr. DOGGETT.
H.R. 564: Mr. MARINO.
H.R. 619: Ms. FUDGE.
H.R. 721: Mr. SMITH of Washington.
H.R. 770: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.
H.R. 1171: Mr. CARTER of Texas, Ms. HERERA BEUTLER, and Mr. PETERSON.
H.R. 1243: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.
H.R. 1299: Mr. CAPUANO and Ms. JAYAPAL.
H.R. 1374: Mr. LIPINSKI.
H.R. 1448: Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. MCGOVERN.
H.R. 1474: Ms. ESHOO and Mr. DEFAZIO.
H.R. 1496: Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. PASCRELL, and Mr. LANGEVIN.
H.R. 1554: Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire.
H.R. 1555: Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1566: Mr. CONNOLLY.
H.R. 1660: Mr. REICHERT.
H.R. 1661: Mr. ROYCE of California.
H.R. 1739: Mrs. BEATTY.
H.R. 1795: Mr. ROE of Tennessee and Mr. RASKIN.
H.R. 1828: Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.
H.R. 2044: Ms. MCCOLLUM.
H.R. 2148: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.
H.R. 2267: Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. TITUS, Mr. SCHNEIDER, and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 2315: Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas.
H.R. 2327: Mr. PALAZZO, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. LEE, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. BACON.
H.R. 2408: Mrs. BEATTY.
H.R. 2414: Mr. WELCH and Mr. DESAULNIER.
H.R. 2472: Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. COMSTOCK, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. MENG, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 2535: Mr. LIPINSKI and Ms. BONAMICI.
H.R. 2556: Mrs. BEATTY.
H.R. 2587: Ms. KAPTUR.
H.R. 2663: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. SMITH of Texas.

H.R. 2679: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 2713: Mr. BOST.

H.R. 2840: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. CAPUANO.

H.R. 2926: Ms. JENKINS of Kansas and Mr. ROKITA.

H.R. 2978: Mr. DESAULNIER.

H.R. 2996: Mr. HARRIS.

H.R. 2999: Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 3076: Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California, Mr. THOMAS J. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, and Mrs. COMSTOCK.

H.R. 3124: Mr. PETERS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, and Mr. HECK.

H.R. 3239: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 3255: Mr. BEYER.

H.R. 3304: Ms. KAPTUR and Ms. MOORE.

H.R. 3311: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 3329: Mr. HASTINGS and Mr. HIGGINS of New York.

H.R. 3332: Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Mrs. BUSTOS.

H.R. 3395: Mr. DONOVAN and Mr. BARLETTA.

H.R. 3452: Mr. FARENTHOLD.

H.R. 3521: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.

H.R. 3528: Mr. HIGGINS of New York.

H.R. 3591: Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 3634: Ms. NORTON and Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 3635: Mr. MEEHAN and Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 3640: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 3660: Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. WELCH, Ms. HANABUSA, and Mr. FOSTER.

H. Con. Res. 27: Mr. CONNOLLY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H. Con. Res. 63: Mr. QUIGLEY.

H. Res. 257: Mr. GARRETT, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. MAST, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mr. BRAT.

H. Res. 401: Mr. SIRES and Mr. POCAN.

H. Res. 456: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Res. 458: Mr. OLSON.

H. Res. 466: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Ms. DELBENE.

H. Res. 496: Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. POLIS, Mr. HIMES, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. WELCH, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. HECK, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. BERA, Mr. NEAL, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KILMER, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. DAVIS of California, and Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H. Res. 497: Ms. SPEIER, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. COHEN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Ms. WILSON of Florida.