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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 1, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANCIS ROONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Retired Chaplain, U.S. Navy, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God, author of liberty, we pray, reflect, meditate in different ways, but sing "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," for unalienable rights, our Nation's backbone, come from You.

Life, liberty, pursuit of happiness—pursuing justice too—doors opened; walls and ceilings shattered; freedom shining through.

Today, in 1939, Hitler invades Poland. War spreads: liberty, life denied beyond a chosen few.

Humanity itself rejected with the Nazi stamp: "life—unworthy of life."

We fought, died for freedom's cause.

Lincoln taught: remember those who fought, gave their all, by continuing their unfinished work with increased devotion to their cause. Then they don't die in vain.

Neo-Nazis, racists, bigots, would quench the flame of freedom's holy light.

We pray for, rescue Harvey's victims, but hatred's storm clouds gather, threaten all.

Help us reaffirm our vision—brighter, more inclusive than before: every

human life created equal, holy, none less human than our own.

And may we say, 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 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2345. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an alternative plan for monthly basic pay increases for members of the uniformed services for 2018, pursuant to 37 U.S.C. 1009(e)(1); Public Law 96-342, Sec. 803; (94 Stat. 1091) (H. Doc. No. 115-64); to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed.

2346. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit,

threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2347. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5303(b)(1)(A); Public Law 89-554, Sec. 5303(b)(1)(A) (as amended by Public Law 101-509, Sec. 529); (104 Stat. 1430) and 5 U.S.C. 5304a(a); Public Law 101-509, title I, Sec. 101(a)(1); (104 Stat. 1436) (H. Doc. No. 115-63); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and ordered to be printed.

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. McCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 3202. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a report on cyber vulnerability disclosures, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-283). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. McCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 3284. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-284). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. House Concurrent Resolution 69. Resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run (Rept. 115-285). Referred to the House Calendar.

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:

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

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By Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. WITTMAN):

H.R. 3668. A bill to provide for the preservation of sportsmen's heritage and enhance recreation opportunities on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means, 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. ESTES of Kansas (for himself and Mr. MCCAUL):

H.R. 3669. A bill to improve and streamline security procedures related to general aviation and commercial charter air carrier utilizing risk-based security standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 3670. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for a credit against tax for rent paid on the personal residence of the taxpayer; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. GABBARD (for herself, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. LEE, Ms. BARRAGÁN, and Mr. TED LIEU of California):

H.R. 3671. A bill to justly transition away from fossil fuel sources of energy to 100 percent clean energy by 2035, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Transportation and Infrastructure, Education and the Workforce, Science, Space, and Technology, Financial Services, and Foreign Affairs, 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 Mrs. NAPOLITANO:

H. Res. 499. A resolution honoring the Covina Pony League Baseball Team of Covina, California, for winning the 2017 Pony League World Series Championship; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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. DUNCAN of South Carolina:

H.R. 3668.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 gives Congress the right to lay and collect taxes, as well as to regulate interstate commerce. Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 gives Congress the authority to make all needful Rules and regulations respecting US Territory. With this bill, Congress is exercising both powers.

By Mr. ESTES of Kansas:

H.R. 3669.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18—To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. CROWLEY:

H.R. 3670.

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

Clause 1 Section 8 of Article I:

The Congress shall have the 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.

By Ms. GABBARD:

H.R. 3671.

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

U.S. Constitution including Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 (Commerce Clause) and Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (Necessary and Proper Clause)

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 38: Mr. GOODLATTE.

H.R. 434: Mr. VALADAO and Mr. KNIGHT.

H.R. 644: Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. RATCLIFFE, and Mr. COLLINS of Georgia.

H.R. 767: Mrs. BEATTY.

H.R. 785: Mr. MEADOWS and Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California.

H.R. 849: Mr. NORMAN.

H.R. 949: Mr. DONOVAN.

H.R. 1243: Mr. SCOTT of Virginia.

H.R. 1247: Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 1267: Mr. DUFFY and Mr. VELA.

H.R. 1291: Mr. CAPUANO and Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 1299: Miss RICE of New York and Mr. WELCH.

H.R. 1318: Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. STIVERS.

H.R. 1322: Mr. LOEBSACK.

H.R. 1374: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. VISCLOSKEY.

H.R. 1406: Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CRIST, and Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 1556: Mr. CONYERS, Mr. CLAY, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. POCAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1635: Mr. CLEAVER and Mr. TED LIEU of California.

H.R. 1727: Mr. KIHUEN and Mr. O'ROURKE.

H.R. 1861: Mr. CURBELO of Florida and Ms. GRANGER.

H.R. 2147: Ms. MOORE.

H.R. 2230: Mr. VEASEY and Mr. MESSER.

H.R. 2242: Mr. TED LIEU of California and Mr. KHANNA.

H.R. 2472: Mr. HARPER.

H.R. 2723: Mr. SMITH of Nebraska.

H.R. 2901: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 2929: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H.R. 2938: Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.

H.R. 3167: Mr. GAETZ.

H.R. 3192: Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Mr. TONKO, Mr. RUSH, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. KHANNA, and Ms. MATSUI.

H.R. 3222: Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. SOTO, and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 3239: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 3324: Mr. THOMPSON of California and Mr. LONG.

H.R. 3379: Ms. SPEIER.

H.R. 3548: Mr. PITTENGER, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. LANCE, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. GALLAGHER, and Mr. BYRNE.

H.R. 3591: Mr. DELANEY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. GARAMENDI, and Mr. LEVIN.

H.R. 3617: Ms. LEE.

H.R. 3643: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ and Ms. CASTOR of Florida.

H.R. 3660: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Con. Res. 8: Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas.

H. Con. Res. 63: Mr. PASCRELL.

H. Con. Res. 77: Mr. WELCH, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. PANETTA, and Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California.

H. Res. 129: Mr. WOODALL.

H. Res. 256: Mr. CARTER of Georgia.

H. Res. 401: Mr. MOULTON, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.

H. Res. 496: Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. VARGAS, and Ms. DELBENE.