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The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

Dr. Bruce Hargrave, Bruce Hargrave Ministries and Charities, Rowlett, Texas, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, thank You for Your many blessings upon our country and this House.

Even in the midst of great challenges, bitterness, joys, grief, and victories, You are ever present and ever mindful of all that we do.

Forgive us where we get in the way of ourselves.

Give us Your wisdom and grace.

Bless the workings of this House for the goodwill, peace, and justice of the American people.

We pray this in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN 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.

### FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Appropriations be discharged from further consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 143) making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The text of the joint resolution is as follows:

#### H.J. RES. 143

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That division C of Public Law 115-245 is amended—*

(1) by striking the date specified in section 105(3) and inserting "December 21, 2018"; and  
(2) by adding at the end (before the short title) the following:

"SEC. 136. Sections 1309(a) and 1319 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4016(a) and 4026) shall be applied by substituting the date specified in section 105(3) of this Act for 'December 7, 2018'."

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### ADJOURNMENT FROM THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018, TO MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, December 10, 2018, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

### APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO SYRIA STUDY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN). The Chair appoints, pursuant to section 1501(c) of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018, Public Law 115-254, and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the following individual on the part of the House to the Syria Study Group:

Dr. Kimberly E. Kagan, Washington, D.C.

### FAREWELL SPEECH

(Mr. POLIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, it has been the honor of my life to have served 10 years in this body, and I want to take this occasion to thank the amazing and talented staff that has worked both in our congressional office here in Washington as well as in Ft. Collins and Boulder and in Adams and Summit Counties.

I want to thank all of the interns who have lent their services over the last decade, on behalf of the people of the Second Congressional District, hopefully providing them with a great experience that furthers their interest in public affairs.

And, of course, I want to thank my colleagues on both sides of the aisle. The men and women I have come to know and have worked with in the last decade have been some of the most important relationships of my life. I truly believe that there is no problem so large that the deliberative and thoughtful minds in this body can't rise to the occasion and solve all the pressing issues.

It has been sad to see that, all too often, things stand in the way of that progress, whether it is partisanship, yes, but not only partisanship, the role of the special interests, and the increasingly divided electorate that we have nationally.

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

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But I know that the men and women of this body and in the next Congress, the 116th Congress, will hopefully come together to solve a lot of the pressing issues that affect our country and the world.

Whether it is making sure that kids grow up with a good education, that families have access to affordable healthcare, or protecting our environment for ourselves and future generations, I know that the men and women in this body will be able to rise to that occasion.

It truly has been an amazing honor to have worked with so many terrific people from all over this country, authentically representing their constituents and their districts.

I look forward to taking this decade of service to our Nation with me throughout the rest of my life, wherever I go, to help inform the decisions I make to do the very best job that I can, every day.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the honor of serving in the United States Congress for a decade. I look forward to continuing to work with future United States Congresses.

#### 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, December 6, 2018.

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 December 6, 2018, at 10:57 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1934.  
That the Senate passed S. 2736.  
That the Senate passed S. 3530.  
That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 57.  
That the Senate passed without an amendment H.R. 754.

That the Senate agreed to Honoring the life of President George Herbert Walker Bush S. Res. 715.

With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 2377. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 200 West 2nd Street in Dayton, Ohio, as the "Walter H. Rice Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

S. 3414. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 20 Ferry Road in Saunderton, Rhode Island, as the "Captain Matthew J. August Post Office".

S. 3442. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 105 Duff Street in Macon, Missouri, as the "Arla W. Harrell Post Office".

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 7 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, December 10, 2018, at noon, for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

7084. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of violations of the Antideficiency Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; Public Law 97-258; (96 Stat. 926); to the Committee on Appropriations.

7085. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group 2018 Report to Congress, pursuant to the 21st Century Cures Act of 2016, Sec. 2062(c); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7086. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to California State Implementation Plan; South Coast Air Quality Management District; Stationary Source Permits [EPA-R09-OAR-2018-0413; FRL-9985-75-Region 9] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7087. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's interim final rule — Safe Management of Recalled Airbags [EPA-HQ-OLEM-2018-0646; FRL9986-91-OLEM] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7088. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Puerto Rico; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2008 Ozone, 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter and 2008 Lead NAAQS; Transport Provisions [EPA-R02-OAR-2016-0060; FRL-9987-03-Region 2] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7089. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Quality: Revision to the Regulatory Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds-Exclusion of cis-1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobut-2-ene (HFO-1336mzz-Z) [EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0175; FRL-9987-02-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AT52) received November 27, 2018, 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.

7090. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; New Hampshire; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan Requirements for the 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS [EPA-R01-OAR-2017-0344; FRL-9986-82-Region 1] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7091. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Connecticut; Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Consumer Products and Architectural and Industrial Maintenance Coatings; Correction [EPA-R01-OAR-2018-0099; FRL-9986-97-Region 1] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7092. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; California; South Coast Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2016-0711; FRL-9986-61-Region 9] received November 27, 2018, 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.

7093. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a Periodic Report on the National Emergency Caused by the Lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979 for February 26, 2018, to August 25, 2018, 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.

7094. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 19-07, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7095. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 02-19, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 62(a) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7096. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of discontinuation of service in acting role, 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.

7097. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of designation of acting officer, and nomination, 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.

7098. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2018 Agency Financial Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7099. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Treatment of Amounts Paid to Section 170(c) Organizations under Employer Leave-Based Donation Programs to Aid Victims of Hurricane Michael [Notice 2018-89] received November 27, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7100. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Rev. Proc. on section 471 costs/negative additional section 263 A costs (Rev. Proc. 2018-56) received November 27, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.