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House of Representatives

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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

Washington, DC, April 9, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable BARBARA COMSTOCK to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

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

God our Creator and Guide, as this House seeks to participate in Your own loving care for our people, grant its Members likewise a participation in Your wisdom, prudence, and perseverance in good.

Rouse in their hearts a humble reverence for those who have gone before us and joyous hope for the future.

In particular, excite in their deliberation a lively concern for the most vulnerable among us so that each and every person may be assured of needed comfort when their hour of need inevitably comes.

We ask these and all other blessings in accord with Your will for these United States of America.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 796, 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.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, April 6, 2018.

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

DEAR SPEAKER RYAN: It has been an honor and privilege to serve the people of Texas' 27th Congressional District as their representative in Congress. While I had intended to serve out the remainder of my term, after much thought and prayer, my family and I have decided that now is a good time for me to step aside.

Therefore, effective at 5PM today, April 6, 2018, I have submitted a letter of resignation as a member of the United States House of Representatives representing the 27th District of Texas to Governor Greg Abbott, Texas. (copy attached)

Helping people, especially veterans with their problems with the government was the high point of my career. I feel like I have made a difference for lots of people individually, the district and the country, but for a variety of reasons, I know in my heart that my time in Congress is over.

I wish all the best and may God bless us all.

Sincerely,

BLAKE FARENTHOLD,

Member of Congress.

Congress of the United States, House of Representatives, $Washington,\ DC,\ April\ 6,\ 2018.$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Hon. GREG ABBOTT,} \\ \textit{Governor,} \end{array}$

Austin. TX

DEAR GOVERNOR ABBOTT: It has been an honor and privilege to serve the people of Texas' 27th Congressional District as their representative in Congress. While I had intended to serve out the remainder of my term, after much thought and prayer, my family and I have decided that now is a good time for me to step aside.

Therefore, effective at 5PM today, April 6, 2018, I resign my position as a member of the United States House of Representatives representing the 27th District of Texas.

Helping people, especially veterans with their problems with the government was the high point of my career. I feel like I have made a difference for lots of people individually, the district and the country, but for a variety of reasons, I know in my heart that my time in Congress is over.

I wish all the best and may God bless us

Sincerely.

BLAKE FARENTHOLD,

Member of Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FARENTHOLD), the whole number of the House is 429.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on April 3, 2018, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 4547. To amend titles II, VIII, and XVI of the Social Security Act to improve and strengthen the representative payment program.

H.R. 1865. To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to clarify that section 230 of such

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Act does not prohibit the enforcement against providers and users of interactive computer services of Federal and State criminal and civil law relating to sexual exploitation of children or sex trafficking, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 796, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 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:

4378. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on an increase in the Program Acquisition Unit Cost for the Littoral Combat Ship Mission Modules, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2433(d)(3); Public Law 97-252, Sec. 1107(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 110-417, Sec. 811(c)); (122 Stat. 4522); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4379. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General William C. Mayville, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general 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.

4380. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting a notice to Congress of the anticipated use of Selected Reserve units that will be ordered to active duty, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 12304b(d); Public Law 112-81, Sec. 516(a)(1); (125 Stat. 1396); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4381. A letter from the Chief, Congressional Relations Division, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a list of all products produced under the Advanced Aerospace Threat and identification Program contract for the Defense Intelligence Agency to publish; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4382. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the 36th Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 for Fiscal Year 2017, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6106a(b); Public Law 94-135, Sec. 308(b); (92 Stat. 1556); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4383. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2017 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A and B Supplemental Funding Awards Report to Congress, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 300ff-13(e); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXVI, Sec. 2603(e) (as amended by Public Law 109-415, Sec. 104(e)); (120 Stat. 2776) and 42 U.S.C. 300ff-29a(d); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXVI, Sec. 2620(d) (as amended by Pub-

lic Law 109-415, Sec. 205(2)); (120 Stat. 2798); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4384. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's 2016 report entitled "The Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances Program", pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 290ff(c)(2); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, Sec. 565(c)(2) (as amended by Public Law 106-310, Sec. 3105(c)) (114 Stat. 1175); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4385. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth 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.

4386. A letter from the Acting Director, International Cooperation, Acquisition and Sustainment, Office of the Undersecretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's intent to sign the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Department of National Defence of Canada, Transmittal No. 02-18, pursuant to Sec. 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4387. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List and Removal of Certain Persons from the Entity List; Correction of License Requirements [Docket No.: 180227219-8219-01] (RIN: 0694-AH51) received March 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 Foreign Affairs.

4388. A letter from the Acting Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting the Bureau's 2018 Annual Performance Plan and Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1115(b); Public Law 111-352, Sec. 3; (124 Stat. 3867); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4389. A letter from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting notification of an action on 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.

4390. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's FY 2017 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4391. A letter from the Staff Director, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2017 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4392. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting the Commission's FY 2017 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4393. A letter from the Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, trans-

mitting a report on the calculated amount of grant funds that each state, the District of Columbia, and four U.S. territories will receive under the 2018 HAVA Election Security Grant Program, pursuant to Secs. 101 and 104 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, Public Law 107-252; to the Committee on House Administration.

4394. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, transmitting the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 104a (H. Doc. No. 115-112); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

4395. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace, Rangely, CO [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0972; Airspace Docket No.: 16-ANM-9] received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4396. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Hanford, CA [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0856; Airspace Docket No.: 17-AWP-10] received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4397. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rotocraft Pilot Compartment View [Docket No.: FAA-2016-9275; Amdt. No(s).: 27-50, 29-57] (RIN: 2120-AK91) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4398. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0103; Product Identifier 2016-SW-086-AD; Amendment 39-19207; AD 2018-04-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4399. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; AgustaWestland S.p.A. Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0111; Product Identifier 2016-SW-079-AD; Amendment 39-19211; AD 2018-05-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4400. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2017-1025; Product Identifier 2017-NM-137-AD; Amendment 39-19199; AD 2018-04-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received March 26, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4401. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2017-1021; Product Identifier 2017-NM-052-AD; Amendment 39-19198; AD