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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2018, at 10:30 a.m.

House of Representatives

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 1, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ALEXANDER X. MOONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Dan C. Cummins, Peoples Church, Jacksonville, Texas, offered the following prayer:

Lord, make us instruments of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, let us grant pardon; where there is doubt, let us build faith; where there is despair, let us restore one's hope.

Father, make us vessels of Your joy. Let the sowers of Thy grace remain in the field, lest nefarious winds scatter hate and despair.

Jesus, make us bearers of Your light to dispel any darkness so our house is kept swept, lest our joy become lost. Let this House become as thine, a house of prayer.

Oh, Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that You pardon us. For it was in dying that You gave us eternal life.

In Jesus' name, amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 839, 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,

Washington, DC, April 27, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

SPEAKER RYAN: I hereby tender my resignation from my office in the United States House of Representatives, effective at midnight Friday, April 27, 2018.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the people of the 7th District of Pennsylvania. God bless the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America.

Sincerely,

PATRICK L. MEEHAN.

House of Representatives,

Washington, DC, April 27, 2018

Hon. THOMAS W. WOLF,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

Harrisburg, PA.

GVERNOR WOLF: I hereby tender my resignation from my office in the United States

House of Representatives, effective at midnight Friday, April 27, 2018. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the people of the 7th District of Pennsylvania. God bless the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America.

Sincerely,

PATRICK L. MEEHAN.

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 Pennsylvania (Mr. MEEHAN), the whole number of the House is 428.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 839, the House stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2018.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 33 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, May 3, 2018, at 9:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4704. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 18-06, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4705. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on progress toward a negotiated solution of the

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Cyprus question covering the period of October 1, 2017, through November 30, 2017, pursuant to Sec. 620C(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and in accordance with Sec. 1(a)(6) of Executive Order 13313; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4706. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-089, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4707. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-136, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4708. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-117, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4709. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-133, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4710. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-137, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4711. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 17-138, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. CHABOT: Committee on Small Business. H.R. 2655. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to expand intellectual property education and training for small businesses, and for other purposes (Rept. 115-660, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII, the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 2655. Referral to the Committee on the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than May 31, 2018.

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 Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. LEE, Mr. VISCLOSKEY, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SHEAPORTER, Mr. SIRE, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. ESPAILLAT):

H.R. 5669. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to reduce costs for certain businesses required to relocate from a Superfund site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, 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. CARBAJAL:

H.R. 5670. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to issue regulations to require public corporations to disclose political expenditures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. GABBARD (for herself and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 5671. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to include in periodic health assessments, separation history and physical examinations, and other assessments an evaluation of whether a member of the Armed Forces has been exposed to open burn pits or toxic airborne chemicals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' 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 Mr. NORMAN:

H.R. 5672. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make certain temporary provisions permanent for member of the Armed Forces of the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. TORRES (for herself and Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California):

H.R. 5673. A bill to extend the Hardest Hit Fund of the Department of the Treasury, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania:

H. Res. 866. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives concerning negotiations with North Korea; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. WITTMAN (for himself and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H. Res. 867. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition Week, the week of May 6 through 12, 2018; 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 Ms. VELÁZQUEZ:

H.R. 5669.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States; . . .

By Mr. CARBAJAL:

H.R. 5670.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Ms. GABBARD:

H.R. 5671.

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

The United State Constitution including Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. NORMAN:

H.R. 5672.

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

Article 1, Section 7

By Mrs. TORRES:

H.R. 5673.

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

According to Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: of the United States Constitution, seen below, this bill falls within the Constitutional Authority of the United States Congress.

Article 1: 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.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 57: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 109: Mr. COURTNEY.
H.R. 303: Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas.
H.R. 502: Mr. MARSHALL.
H.R. 1013: Ms. ADAMS.
H.R. 1057: Mr. CULBERSON and Mr. ENGEL.
H.R. 1223: Mr. CULBERSON.
H.R. 1267: Mr. OLSON and Mr. MCGOVERN.
H.R. 1288: Ms. ADAMS.
H.R. 1374: Ms. PINGREE and Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois.
H.R. 1676: Mr. EVANS and Mr. LYNCH.
H.R. 1825: Mr. HASTINGS and Mr. SCHNEIDER.
H.R. 1828: Mr. CRAMER.
H.R. 1861: Mrs. LOWEY and Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico.
H.R. 2003: Ms. ADAMS.
H.R. 2022: Mr. GARRETT.
H.R. 2076: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 2315: Mr. RUSH and Mr. PANETTA.
H.R. 2740: Mr. LUETKEMEYER.
H.R. 2856: Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. MAST, and Mr. ROSS.
H.R. 3730: Mr. VISCLOSKEY, Mr. LANCE, Mrs. DINGELL, and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 3913: Mr. LAMB.
H.R. 3960: Mr. PITTENGER.
H.R. 3988: Ms. PINGREE and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 4025: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 4229: Mr. BUCHANAN and Mr. JONES.
H.R. 4253: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.
H.R. 4392: Mr. HASTINGS.
H.R. 4471: Mrs. DINGELL.
H.R. 4949: Mr. FASO.
H.R. 5047: Mr. VALADAO.
H.R. 5067: Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. BABIN, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. BLUM, Mr. WALKER, and Mr. WENSTRUP.
H.R. 5085: Mr. KENNEDY and Mr. SCHIFF.
H.R. 5102: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.
H.R. 5104: Mr. PANETTA.
H.R. 5123: Ms. LOFGREN.
H.R. 5132: Mr. FERGUSON and Mr. MAST.
H.R. 5276: Ms. BASS.
H.R. 5373: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.
H.R. 5431: Mrs. LAWRENCE.
H.R. 5442: Mr. SENSENBRENNER.
H.R. 5551: Mr. SERRANO and Ms. CLARKE of New York.