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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 3 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2018

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ARRINGTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 5, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOEY C. ARRINGTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Gracious and merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

In this Chamber, where the people's House gathers, we pause to offer You gratitude for the gift of this good land on which we live and for this great Nation which You have inspired in developing over so many years. Continue to inspire the American people that, through the difficulties of these days, we might keep liberty and justice alive in our Nation and in the world.

Give to us and all people a vivid sense of Your presence that we may learn to understand each other, to respect each other, to work with each other, to live with each other, and to do good to each other. So shall we make our Nation great in goodness and good in its greatness.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 670, 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

THE SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 670, no organizational or legislative business will be conducted on this day.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE MATTHEW A. CARTWRIGHT, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable MATTHEW A. CARTWRIGHT, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 27, 2017.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena for testimony, issued by the Court of Common Pleas for Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania.

After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I will make the determinations required by Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

MATT CARTWRIGHT.

COMMUNICATION FROM DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, DISTRICT DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE MATTHEW A. CARTWRIGHT, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Bob Morgan, Deputy Chief of Staff, District Director, the Honorable MATTHEW A. CARTWRIGHT, Member of Congress:

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

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I will make the determinations required by Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

BOB MORGAN,
Deputy Chief of Staff, District Director.

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, January 4, 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 January 4, 2018, at 12:16 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 925.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(c) of House Resolution 670, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, January 8, 2018.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, January 8, 2018, at 2 p.m.