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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. POE of Texas).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 14, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable TED POE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Michael Wilker, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, this week as Christians celebrate the life of Mary, the mother of Jesus, we pray like Martin Luther that government officials learn to govern well by listening to Mary's song, the Magnificat.

Open our hearts to magnify Your glory and grace, O God. Open the eyes of officials to see people who live under poverty and oppression. Lift up people who are lowly and take down officials who are arrogant. Feed both the wealthy and impoverished with Your justice and mercy.

As You have saved our ancestors and as You have promised to do for our descendants, give today's leaders the same joy, wisdom, courage, and trust that You gave to Your servant Mary, the bearer of Your holy Word, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 1012, 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE GERALD E. CONNOLLY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable GERALD E. CONNOLLY, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 14, 2018.

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 documents issued by the Fairfax County Circuit Court.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is not consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

GERALD E. CONNOLLY,
Member of Congress.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 1012, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, August 17, 2018.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 17, 2018, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

5932. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a series 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.

5933. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for the Division of Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's notice of withdrawal — Withdrawal of guidance documents [Docket ID: ED-2016-OESE-0056] (RIN: 1810-AB33) received July 31, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5934. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Short-Term, Limited-Duration Insurance (RIN: 1210-AB86) received August 9, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5935. A letter from the Director, Office of Labor-Management Standards, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rescission of Rule Interpreting "Advice" Exemption in Section 203(c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (RIN: 1245-AA07) received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5936. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendments to Regulations Governing NVOCC Negotiated Rate Arrangements and NVOCC Service Arrangements [Docket No.: 17-10] (RIN: 3072-AC68) received August 9, 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.

5937. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Clarification Concerning the Effect of Section 67(g) on Trusts and Estates [Notice 2018-61] received August 8, 2018, pursuant to 5

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U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5938. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Method change guidance for small business taxpayers under sections 448, 263A, 460, and 471 [Rev. Proc. 2018-40] received August 9, 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.

5939. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Amplification and Modification of Safe Harbor Method for Participants in the HFA Hardest Hit Fund [Notice 2018-63] received August 8, 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.

5940. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Guidance on the Contribution Limits Applicable to ABLE Accounts under Section 529A [Notice 2018-62] received August 8, 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.

5941. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulation and removal of temporary regulations — Partnership Representative under the Centralized Partnership Audit Regime and Election to Apply the Centralized Partnership Audit Regime [TD 9839] (RIN: 1545-BN41) received August 9, 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.

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. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2591. A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to modernize the funding of wildlife conservation, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-899). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 6038. A bill to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Dickinson Reservoir in the State of North Dakota; with an amendment (Rept. 115-900). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 6039. A bill to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Jamestown Reservoir in the State of North Dakota, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-901). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. BLUNT ROCHESTER (for herself, Mr. EVANS, Ms. MOORE, Mr. RUSH, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. LEE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CLAY, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. PAYNE):

H.R. 6669. A bill to require automatic sealing of certain criminal records, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6670. A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to permit the District of Columbia to establish the rate of pay of the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. CARBAJAL):

H.R. 6671. 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.

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. BLUNT ROCHESTER:

H.R. 6669.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1, 3, and 18.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6670.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. PETERS:

H.R. 6671.

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

Article I, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 120: Mr. WEBER of Texas.
H.R. 367: Mr. CLOUD.
H.R. 592: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1038: Mr. STEWART.
H.R. 1171: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 1218: Mr. TAYLOR.
H.R. 1279: Mr. HULTGREN.
H.R. 1318: Mr. STEWART and Ms. BORDALLO.
H.R. 1552: Mr. DAVIDSON.
H.R. 1661: Mr. ROE of Tennessee and Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee.

H.R. 1802: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 1904: Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 1924: Ms. SHEA-PORTER.

H.R. 1953: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

H.R. 2327: Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 2687: Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 2953: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. COOK, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN.

H.R. 3128: Ms. CHENEY.

H.R. 3334: Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 3730: Mr. YARMUTH.

H.R. 4107: Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. TROTT.

H.R. 4256: Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. COOK, and Ms. PIN-GREE.

H.R. 4693: Mrs. DEMINGS.

H.R. 4837: Mr. PANETTA.

H.R. 4843: Mr. DEUTCH.

H.R. 5160: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 5161: Ms. MATSUI, Ms. LEE, and Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 5162: Ms. JAYAPAL and Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 5163: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 5621: Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. WOODALL.

H.R. 5671: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. ROSEN, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. FASO.

H.R. 5986: Mrs. LESKO and Ms. MCSALLY.

H.R. 5996: Mr. POSEY and Mrs. DEMINGS.

H.R. 6010: Mr. RATCLIFFE.

H.R. 6016: Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 6085: Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 6086: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. YARMUTH, and Mr. KHANNA.

H.R. 6097: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 6108: Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 6180: Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 6224: Mr. HIMES and Ms. TENNEY.

H.R. 6263: Mr. COFFMAN.

H.R. 6269: Mr. FLORES and Mr. MARCHANT.

H.R. 6270: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 6288: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 6390: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico.

H.R. 6410: Mr. SUOZZI and Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 6416: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.

H.R. 6417: Mr. MARCHANT and Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 6451: Mr. MCCLINTOCK.

H.R. 6469: Mr. YARMUTH and Mr. ARRINGTON.

H.R. 6482: Mr. BIGGS.

H.R. 6495: Ms. LOFGREN and Mr. TAYLOR.

H.R. 6506: Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 6517: Mr. HIGGINS of New York and Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California.

H.R. 6545: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. MOULTON, and Mr. KENNEDY.

H.R. 6578: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 6611: Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 6665: Mr. SABLAN.

H. Res. 370: Mr. LYNCH.

H. Res. 523: Mr. WELCH.

H. Res. 975: Mr. SUOZZI.

H. Res. 1034: Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. MESSER, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.