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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LARSEN of Washington).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
February 15, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RICK LARSEN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

Father Gary Studniewski, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we lift our hearts and minds to You as we begin today. You are sovereign over all things, but You give us all a share in Your governance over the things of creation and the affairs of humanity.

Thank You for the blessing over this House of Representatives with a privileged position in governing toward the end of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for the citizens it serves.

We ask Your grace and favor upon each elected official, that unity among them may be realized even amidst diversity, and that their work contribute to the ways of justice for all and peace that is lasting.

Bless all who work and assemble here, and fill this session with Your spirit, that it may result in good fruit for our country in time, and its citizens for eternity.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

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

131, 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.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Byrd, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 483 An act to enact into law a bill by reference.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled joint resolution was signed by the Speaker on Thursday, February 14, 2019:

H.J. Res. 31, making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a Joint Resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Thursday, February 14, 2019:

H.J. Res. 31. Joint Resolution making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 131, the House stands adjourned until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at 2:30 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

205. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a designation of all funding (including the rescission of funds) for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism, pursuant to Sec. 5 of Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (H. Doc. No. 116-10); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

206. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a designation as an emergency requirement all funding so designated by the Congress in the Act pursuant to Sec. 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, pursuant to Sec. 7058(d)(5) of Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (H. Doc. No. 116-11); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

207. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting A declaration of a National Emergency concerning the southern border of the United States, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1621(a); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 201(a); (90 Stat. 1255) (H. Doc. No. 116-9); to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered to be printed.

208. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Ohio River, Miles 73 to 74, Wellsburg, WV [Docket No.: USCG-2018-1093] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received February 14, 2019, 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.

209. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's

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temporary final rule — Safety Zone for Fireworks Display; Spa Creek, Annapolis, MD [Docket No.: USCG-2018-1021] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received February 14, 2019, 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.

210. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Markers 229.5 to 230.5 Baton Rouge, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2018-0960] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received February 14, 2019, 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.

211. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Tumon Bay, Tumon, GU [Docket No.: USCG-2018-0864] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received February 14, 2019, 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.

#### 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 Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. BASS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. BERA, Mr. BEYER, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. CISNEROS, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. COOPER, Mr. CORREA, Mr. COURTNEY, Mrs. CRAIG, Mr. CRIST, Mr. CROW, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. DEAN, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAUR, Ms. DELBENE, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. DEUTCH, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. FRANKEL, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. GALLEG, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. HAALAND, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HECK, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. HIMES, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. HOYER, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KEATING, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. LIPINSKI, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr.

MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MENG, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL, Mrs. MURPHY, Mr. NADLER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEAL, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. NORCROSS, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. OMAR, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. POCAN, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. RASKIN, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. ROSE of New York, Mr. RUIZ, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. RUSH, Mr. RYAN, Mr. SABL, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. Sires, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. SOTO, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. TORRES of California, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. TRONE, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WELCH, Ms. WEXTON, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CASE, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. PETERS, Mr. DELGADO, Mr. VISCLOSEK, Mr. COSTA, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. LOEBSACK:

H.R. 1296. A bill to regulate assault weapons, to ensure that the right to keep and bear arms is not unlimited, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. DEMINGS (for herself, Mr. DEUTCH, and Ms. KELLY of Illinois):

H.R. 1297. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include armor-piercing, concealable weapons within the definition of "firearm" under the National Firearms Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LEWIS (for himself and Mr. GALLEG):

H.R. 1298. A bill to prohibit discrimination in higher education against certain undocumented students on the basis of immigration status, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. CARDENAS (for himself and Mr. RASKIN):

H.R. 1299. A bill to require any delivery vehicle owned or leased by the United States Postal Service have an air conditioning unit, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California (for herself, Mr. LEWIS, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. EVANS, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 1300. A bill to provide for a temporary safe harbor for certain failures by individuals to pay estimated income tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. DELBENE:

H.R. 1301. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of certain mental health telehealth services; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. FOSTER:

H.R. 1302. A bill to authorize the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, acting through the Director of the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, to award grants to States to expand access to clinically appropriate services for opioid abuse, dependence, or addiction; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FOSTER:

H.R. 1303. A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to evaluate and report on the in-patient and outpatient treatment capacity, availability, and needs of the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, 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. GRAVES of Louisiana (for himself and Mr. CRIST):

H.R. 1304. A bill to require the Federal Trade Commission, in consultation with the Federal Communications Commission, to establish a robocaller bounty pilot program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LOWENTHAL (for himself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. KILMER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. NORTON, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. POCAN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, and Mr. HUFFMAN):

H.R. 1305. A bill to implement the Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign 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. MEADOWS (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 1306. A bill to amend the Disaster Recovery Reform Act to develop a study regarding streamlining and consolidating information collection and preliminary damage assessments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MEADOWS (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 1307. A bill to provide for an online repository for certain reporting requirements for recipients of Federal disaster assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Small Business, and Financial Services, 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. TAKANO:

H.R. 1308. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a limitation on the time for the use of contributions or donations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. FOSTER (for himself, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. LUJÁN, and Mr. FLEISCHMANN):