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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 26, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE DINGELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Chaplain Lieutenant Jeffrey E. Spindle, U.S. Navy, Cryptologic Warfare Group SIX, Fort Meade, Maryland, offered the following prayer:

Creator God, You are good and Your love endures forever.

Thank You for this great day that You have made. Be with all who serve and speak in this Chamber today. As we serve the people of our Nation, grant us Your wisdom. Protect and make us mindful of those who are fighting and serve away from their families this holiday season. Use those in this people's House to speak for the voiceless, to protect the oppressed, to stand for the poor and powerless of our Nation.

Unite us, Holy Spirit, with civility and collaboration. Give us Your light today, as it is written in John 1:5, "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." As we turn to today's business, be an ever-present lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

This we pray in Your holy name.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

713, 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 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, November 25, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM 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 November 25, 2019, at 12:27 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 333.
That the Senate passed S. 900.
That the Senate passed S. 1430.
That the Senate passed S. 1846.
That the Senate passed S. 2193.
That the Senate passed S. 2712.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 887.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1252.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1253.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1526.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1844.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1972.
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2151.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2325.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2334.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2451.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3144.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3314.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 333. An act to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to work with cybersecurity consortia for training, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

S. 900. An act to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Bozeman, Montana, as the "Travis W. Atkins Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S. 1430. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to prevent fraud by representative payees; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

S. 1846. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for engagements with State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security; in addition, to the Committee on Oversight and Reform and to the Committee on Energy and Commerce 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.

S. 2193. An act to require the Administrator of General Services to issue guidance to clarify that Federal agencies may pay by charge card for the charging of Federal electric motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

S. 2712. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 South Knowles Avenue in New Richmond,

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

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Wisconsin, as the “Captain Robert C. Harmon and Private John R. Peirson Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 713, the House stands adjourned until noon on Friday, November 29, 2019.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, November 29, 2019, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

3100. A letter from the Regulatory Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulatory Capital Rule: Capital Simplification for Qualifying Community Banking Organizations [Docket ID: OCC-2018-0040] (RIN: 1557-AE59) received November 19, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3101. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Prohibitions and Restrictions on Proprietary Trading and Certain Interests in, and Relationships With, Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds [Docket No.: OCC-2018-0010] (RIN: 1557-AE27) received November 19, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

3102. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Nicaragua, declared in Executive Order 13851 of November 27, 2018, is to continue in effect beyond November 27, 2019, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116—84); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

3103. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting reports concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1(a) (as amended by Public Law 108-458, Sec. 7121(b)); (118 Stat. 3807); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3104. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-164, “Intra-District Transfer Limitation Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3105. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-161, “Indigenous Peoples' Day Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3106. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-162, “Sanctuary Values Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to

Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3107. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-163, “MLK Gateway Real Property Tax Abatement Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3108. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-158, “Attorney General Grant-Making Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3109. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-159, “Investigating Maternal Mortalities Temporary Amendment Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3110. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-160, “Student Activity Fund Theatrical and Music Performance Expenditures Temporary Act of 2019”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3111. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a notification of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3112. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a notification of a 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 Reform.

3113. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a notification of a 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 Reform.

3114. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel for Operations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a notification of a 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 Reform.

3115. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting the Endowment's Fiscal Year 2018 Agency Financial Report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3116. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's Agency Financial Report of FY 2019, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3117. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2019, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3118. A letter from the Director, United States Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Annual Financial Report for the U.S. Office of Government Ethics for fiscal year 2019, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat.

2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

3119. A letter from the Assistant Director, Office of Policy, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Implementing Bilateral and Multilateral Asylum Cooperative Agreements Under the Immigration and Nationality Act [EOIR Docket No.: 19-0021; A.G. Order No.: 4581-2019] (RIN: 1125-AA98) received November 20, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3120. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Kanawha River, Charleston, WV [Docket Number: USCG-2019-0849] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received November 18, 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.

3121. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Leif Erickson Day Row and Run, Charlevoix, MI [Docket Number: USCG-2019-0757] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received November 18, 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.

3122. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Budget and Performance Plan, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1115(b); Public Law 111-352, Sec. 3; (124 Stat. 3867); jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Oversight and Reform.

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. NADLER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 4018. A bill to provide that the amount of time that an elderly offender must serve before being eligible for placement in home detention is to be reduced by the amount of good time credits earned by the prisoner, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-311). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 2051. A bill to provide for Federal coordination of activities supporting sustainable chemistry, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-312, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. PETERSON: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 4895. A bill to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; with an amendment (Rept. 116-313). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1747. A bill to encourage partnerships among public agencies and other interested persons to promote fish conservation; with an amendment (Rept. 116-314). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2189. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to establish a