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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
God of heaven and Earth, thank You for giving us another day.

The Nation awakes to reports of rising coronavirus numbers, many in places once touted as being safe from the danger of spread. Have mercy on us. Help us to hear Your call to leave pride and boasting behind and together face a most dangerous threat to the health and well-being of our citizens.

Continue to bless and protect those men and women who have been burdened for so long with the care of the infected, even as they are asked to make more bricks with less straw. As hospitals fill, empower those given the responsibility to lead with wisdom and practical insights to rise to the demands of their leadership.

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

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 967, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. MOONEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia 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.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 2163. An act to establish the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys, to study and make recommendations to address social problems affecting Black men and boys, and for other purposes.

S. 3607. An act to extend public safety officer death benefits to public safety officers whose death is caused by COVID-19, and for other purposes.

S. 3637. An act to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend lease protections for servicemembers under stop movement orders in response to a local, national, or global emergency, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 7, 2020.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 7, 2020, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4899. A letter from the Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting a draft of the Bureau's Whistleblower Award Incentive Legislative Proposal; to the Committee on Financial Services.

4900. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Prohibitions and Restrictions on Proprietary Trading and Certain Interests in, and Relationships With, Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds [Docket No.: OCC-2020-0002] (RIN: 1557-AE67) received August 3, 2020, 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.

4901. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting proposed legislation that would clarify that the Department has fulfilled the requirements of Sec. 631(b)(1)(B) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4902. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting proposed legislation to amend Sec. 661 of the Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977 (as amended); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4903. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting three (3) notifications of a vacancy, designation of acting officer, an action on nomination, and 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.

4904. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, 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.

4905. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notification of an action on 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.

4906. A letter from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting the semiannual report of disbursements for the operations of the Architect of the Capitol for the period of January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2020, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 1868a(a); Public Law 113-76, div. I, title I, Sec. 1301(a); (128 Stat. 428) (H. Doc. No. 116—142); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

4907. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's report on Payments in Lieu of Taxes for Fiscal Year 2020; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

4908. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Fee Schedule and Changes to Certain Other Immigration Benefit Request Requirements [CIS No.: 2627-18;

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DHS Docket No.: USCIS-2019-0010] (RIN: 1615-AC18) received August 3, 2020, 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.

4909. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's proposed legislation that would amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States; 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. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3465. A bill to authorize the Fallen Journalists Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-466). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2579. A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-467). 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 Mr. COMER (for himself, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. CLOUD, Ms. FOXX of North Carolina, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, and Mr. KELLER):

H.R. 7922. A bill to minimize increases in the cost of complying with Federal rules during the coronavirus pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, 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. COMER (for himself, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. CLOUD, Ms. FOXX of North Carolina, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, and Mr. KELLER):

H.R. 7923. A bill to authorize the President to suspend or waive civil enforcement of any rule for certain purposes during the coronavirus pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. BARR (for himself, Mr. McCAUL, and Mr. RIGGLEMAN):

H.R. 7924. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require issuers to disclose certain financial support from the Government of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. CASTRO of Texas:

H.R. 7925. A bill to promote equity in advanced coursework and programs at elementary and secondary schools; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. COX of California (for himself and Mr. ROY):

H.R. 7926. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow for the electronic re-

quest of certain records, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. PANETTA, and Mr. MARCHANT):

H.R. 7927. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit to small employers with respect to each employee who is a military spouse and eligible to participate in a defined contribution plan of the employer; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. FLETCHER (for herself and Mr. OLSON):

H.R. 7928. A bill to expand the payment of principal, interest, and fees for certain disaster loans under the CARES Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Ms. FOXX of North Carolina (for herself and Mr. COMER):

H.R. 7929. A bill to establish a commission to review certain regulatory obstacles to preparedness for, response to, and recovery from the Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 pandemic and other pandemics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, Financial Services, and Rules, 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. HIMES (for himself, Miss RICE of New York, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 7930. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect more victims of domestic violence by preventing their abusers from possessing or receiving firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HOULAHAN (for herself, Ms. DEAN, Mr. LAMBORN, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 7931. A bill to direct the Director of the Office Science and Technology Policy to establish an interagency working group to coordinate Federal activities to advance research and development needed to address PFAS; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mrs. LEE of Nevada:

H.R. 7932. A bill to [award funds for community college and industry partnerships]; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LEVIN of Michigan (for himself and Ms. STEFANIK):

H.R. 7933. A bill to establish a task force on supplemental foods delivery in the special supplemental nutrition program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. LIPINSKI:

H.R. 7934. A bill to direct the Secretary of Energy establish the Energy I-Corps program; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Ms. SPEIER):

H.R. 7935. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to modify and enhance protections for Federal Government whistleblowers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H.R. 7936. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to protect Federal employees from retaliation for the lawful use of Federal records, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. McCAUL:

H.R. 7937. A bill to authorize appropriations to counter the malign influence of the

Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. McCAUL:

H.R. 7938. A bill to improve and coordinate United States information statecraft strategy and capabilities for an era of strategic competition, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. McCAUL:

H.R. 7939. A bill to counter malign influence, require transparency, and promote accountability within the United Nations system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. NADLER):

H.R. 7940. A bill to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to fully protect the safety of children and the environment, to remove dangerous pesticides from use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 7941. A bill to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to expand the authorities of magistrate judges of the District of Columbia courts, to modernize the rules and procedures for the service of jurors in District of Columbia courts, to authorize the establishment of a program of voluntary separation incentive payments for nonjudicial employees of the District of Columbia courts and employees of the District of Columbia Public Defender Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. SÁNCHEZ (for herself, Mr. SCHNEIDER, and Mrs. FLETCHER):

H.R. 7942. A bill to provide the option to extend COBRA continuation coverage through the last day of the 1-year period succeeding the COVID-19 emergency period, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and 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 Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself and Mrs. TRAHAN):

H.R. 7943. A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to give the Department of Education the authority to award competitive grants to eligible entities to establish, expand, or support school-based mentoring programs to assist at-risk students in middle school and high school in developing cognitive and social-emotional skills to prepare them for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico (for herself, Mr. McCAUL, Ms. SLOTKIN, and Mr. CLOUD):

H.R. 7944. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to assess technology needs along the Southern border and develop a strategy for bridging such gaps; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD (for herself and Ms. JOHNSON of Texas):

H.R. 7945. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to support schools of nursing in program enhancement and infrastructure modernization, increasing the number of nursing faculty and students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. WATERS:

H.R. 7946. A bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act to add additional demographic reporting requirements, to modify the goals of