

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MURPHY), who I served with on the Committee on Education and Labor, my good friend, and the newest member of the GOP's Doctor's Caucus.

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I thank Mr. ROE for yielding, and thank him for gathering everyone together.

Mr. Speaker, I will give a summary here this evening. Since the end of January, the world has been attacked essentially by a virus that none of us can see. I will say that since May 15, our administration has put in play Operation Warp Speed, and this is meant to save American lives.

Mr. Speaker, \$10 billion was allocated by this body to develop a safe and effective vaccine in record time. It has literally been today's Manhattan Project. It is combining the resources and the brilliant minds of private industry and governmental researchers in an unprecedented effort of cooperation. We have used decades of previous research combined with today's new technology and research to help us end the COVID-19 pandemic.

The objective is to deliver 300 million doses by the end of December, early January, to the citizens of the United States.

What do vaccines do? I think it is very important for people to understand what vaccines do.

They stimulate the immune system to produce antibodies exactly as it would happen if you were exposed to the disease. After you get vaccinated, you develop immunity to that disease without having to get the disease first.

We have two trials, two companies—Moderna and Pfizer—that are furthest along in their developments; 20,000 individuals so far have been accrued in the trials—half have been getting the vaccines, half placebo, and we need more.

The highest at-risk populations are those being targeted: The elderly, those with comorbidities, Black Americans, Hispanic Americans. As we have heard earlier, Black Americans are under-enrolling in the vaccine and we need them to enroll.

So how can this process, which normally takes years, be done in 8 months?

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It is that research is being done concurrently rather than in parallel; our phases are going at the same time; and production is going at the same time, fully understanding that we may have millions of doses of a vaccine that we will never use.

How do we develop this at warp speed? Just to give folks one example, how do we develop a vaccine this quickly?

If you can imagine the space shuttle, the space shuttle is a transport mechanism. It carries things out to the space station. We already have the space shuttle. We use that in vaccines. But

what we have now is a different payload, a different payload going out to the space station. And the space shuttle is taking that into viruses with a different payload now specific to the coronavirus.

What all Americans are talking about now is not only the development of a vaccine but a safe vaccine. We have proof that the processes that are in place to develop safe vaccines are working.

As we have talked about, AstraZeneca stopped its trial because there was one untoward event. We have done research, and now they have started that trial again. Stopping trials is very commonplace in vaccine development, and the American people need to understand this.

We went through this once before with polio. Polio in the fifties was killing thousands and disabling many, many more. Jonas Salk developed the vaccine. What he did was remarkable, but what he did also was led by example. He took the vaccine himself, and he had his family take the vaccine.

This is what the Doctors Caucus is going to do. I will take the vaccine. The other members of the Doctors Caucus will take the vaccine because we need to tell the American people that we, physicians who have trained our entire lives in medicine, believe that what we are doing and what we are doing for the American people is safe.

What this will come out to is that we will have 300 million doses. Right now, our government is working on how to get those doses out to the American people. In an unprecedented effort, the CDC is working with HHS and the Department of Defense to develop a mechanism to get the vaccine out and to track the vaccine.

Finally, I will say this to the American people. There are two ways out of this pandemic, two ways on the pathway back to normalcy. One is to become infected with the virus, develop antibodies, and you recover. The second is to take the vaccine, develop antibodies without ever having the disease, and we can move forward as a Nation.

Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleagues for being here tonight. I look forward to continuing this debate and this discussion here on the House floor.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the remainder of my time.

#### LETTER SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4(b) OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 965, 116TH CONGRESS

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS,

Washington, DC, September 14, 2020.

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

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 965, we are writing to inform you that the Committee on Small Business has met the requirements for con-

ducting a business meeting outlines in regulation E.1 of the remote committee proceedings regulations, inserted into the Congressional Record on May 15, 2020, and that the Committee is prepared to conduct a remote meeting and permit remote participation.

In meeting these requirements, the Committee held a non-public business meeting rehearsal on September 11, 2020; a public full Committee hearing with remote participation on June 10, 2020; and a public subcommittee hearing with remote participation on June 24, 2020.

Thank you,

Nydia M. Velázquez, Chairwoman; Jared Golden, Member of Congress; Abby Finkenauer, Member of Congress; Andy Kim, Member of Congress; Jason Crow, Member of Congress; Dwight Evans, Member of Congress; Adriano Espaillat, Member of Congress; Chrissy Houlahan, Member of Congress; Sharice Davids, Member of Congress; Judy Chu, Member of Congress; Bradley S. Schneider, Member of Congress; Antonio Delgado, Member of Congress; Angie Craig, Member of Congress.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 10 a.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 18 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 9 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

#### BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF PAYGO LEGISLATION

Pursuant to the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (PAYGO), Mr. YARMUTH hereby submits, prior to the vote on passage, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, that H.R. 4894, the Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act of 2020, as amended, would have no significant effect on the deficit, and therefore, the budgetary effects of such bill are estimated as zero.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

5249. A letter from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's annual report for calendar year 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture.

5250. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting notification of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts from any discretionary cap sequestration in FY 2021, if a sequestration is necessary, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 905(f); Public Law 99-177, Sec. 255(f) (as amended by Public Law 105-33, Sec. 10207(b)); (111 Stat. 704); to the Committee on Appropriations.

5251. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting a report 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.

5252. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Luke M. McCullum, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5253. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Robert D. McMurry, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5254. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of General Maryanne Miller, United States Air Force Reserve, and her advancement to the grade of general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5255. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Michael A. Bills, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5256. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Rear Admiral Michelle C. Skubic, United States Navy, to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral for a period not to exceed 14 days before assuming the duties of the position for which the higher grade is authorized, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4208); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5257. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a report titled, "Evaluation of the TRICARE Program: Fiscal Year 2020 Report to Congress Access, Cost, and Quality Data through Fiscal Year 2019", pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1073 note; Public Law 104-106, Sec. 717(c); (110 Stat. 376); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5258. A letter from the Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Lieutenant General Daniel R. Hokanson, United States Army National Guard, to wear the insignia of the grade of general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4208); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5259. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Report to Congress from the Chairman of the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Policies, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 262r(a); Public Law 95-118, Sec. 1701(a) (as amended by Public Law 105-277, Sec. 583); (112 Stat. 2681-202); to the Committee on Financial Services.

5260. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting the Bank's statement with respect to transactions involving exports to Mexico, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3); July 31, 1945, ch. 341, Sec. 2 (as

added by Public Law 102-266, Sec. 102); (106 Stat. 95); to the Committee on Financial Services.

5261. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Matrix: Flood Act Civil Money Penalty ("CMP") Calculation received July 22, 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.

5262. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Head Start, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Head Start Designation Renewal System (RIN: 0970-AC77) received September 8, 2020, 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 Labor.

5263. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the report "Reducing Barriers to Using Telehealth for Pediatric Populations Final Report"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5264. A letter from the Section Chief, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of 5F-ADB, 5F-AMB, 5F-APINACA, ADB-FUBINACA, MDMB-CHMICA and MDMB-FUBINACA in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-446] received August 28, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5265. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the threat of foreign interference in United States elections that was declared in Executive Order 13848 of September 12, 2018, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5266. A letter from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a notification that the Administration intends to enter into a trade agreement regarding tariff barriers with the European Union received August 27, 2020, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 4202(a)(2); Public Law 114-26, Sec. 103(a)(2); (129 Stat. 333); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

5267. A letter from the Regulations Writer-Federal Liaison Officer, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's interim final rule — Waiver of Recovery of Certain Overpayment Debts Accruing During the COVID-19 Pandemic Period [Docket No.: SSA-2020-0045] (RIN: 0960-AI51) received August 28, 2020, 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.

5268. A letter from the Regulations Writer-Federal Register Liaison, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Improved Agency Guidance Documents [Docket No.: SSA-2020-0002] (RIN: 0960-AI47) received August 28, 2020, 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.

5269. A letter from the Chief Privacy Officer and Chief FOIA Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Privacy Office Fiscal Year 2020 Semiannual Report to Congress for the period October 1, through March 31, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

5270. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2021 Rates; Quality Reporting and Medicare and Medicaid Promoting Interoperability Programs Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals [CMS-1735-F] (RIN: 0938-AU11) received September 14, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

5271. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare and Medicaid Programs, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA), and Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Additional Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency [CMS-3401-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AU33) received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

5272. A letter from the Deputy Director, ODRM, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; FY 2021 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update [CMS-1733-F] (RIN: 0938-AU09) received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

## 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:

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York: Committee on Oversight and Reform. H.R. 1668. A bill to leverage Federal Government procurement power to encourage increased cybersecurity for Internet of Things devices, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-501, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. SCANLON: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1107. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2574) to amend title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to restore the right to individual civil actions in cases involving disparate impact, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2639) to establish the Strength in Diversity Program, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2694) to eliminate discrimination and promote women's health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 908) condemning all forms of anti-Asian sentiment as related to COVID-19; and for other purposes (Rept. 116-502). Referred to the House Calendar.