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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

Monsignor Stephen J. Rossetti, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Good and gracious God, as we look forward to a new Congress and a new day, may we be filled with hope, a hope inspired by confidence in You.

No matter what the challenges, we trust in Your providential love and loving care. We know that You will walk with us, guiding our steps and leading us safely home. We make this prayer with grateful hearts.

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. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance. The SPEAKER 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2020.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, November 12, 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:

EC-5583. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report involving U.S. exports to various countries, 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.

EC-5584. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting that, as a result of continued consequences of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, a renewal, effective October 23, 2020, that a public health emergency exists and has existed since January 27, 2020, nationwide, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 247d(a); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, Sec. 319(a) (as amended by Public Law 107-188, Sec. 144(a)); (116 Stat. 630); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5565. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo that was declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5586. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5587. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5588. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant malicious cyber-enabled activities that was de-

clared in Executive Order 13694 of April 1, 2015, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5589. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting a letter regarding an opportunity to ensure compensation is finally provided to victims of the 1998 al-Qa'ida-backed terrorist attacks on the U.S. Embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, including U.S. national victims who have long advocated for settlement of their claims; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5590. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting four (4) notifications of the designation of acting officer or 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.

EC-5591. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive and Administrative Officer, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting the 64th Semiannual Report of the Federal Labor Relations Authority Inspector General for the period April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

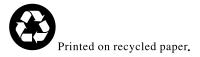
EC-5592. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's final list of activities performed by federal government sources for the executive agency that are not inherently governmental functions for 2020, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 501 note; Public Law 105-270, Sec. 2(c)(1)(A); (112 Stat. 2382); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5593. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain Invasive Species Program 2019 Report to Congress, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 4730(6)(A); Public Law 115-282, Sec. 903(g)(6)(A); (132 Stat. 4360); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5594. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Child Welfare Outcomes 2017: Report to Congress, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 679b(a)(5); Public Law 105-89, Sec. 203(a); (111 Stat. 2127); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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. SCOTT of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. H.R. 8294. A bill to amend the National Apprenticeship Act and expand the national apprenticeship system to include apprenticeships, youth apprenticeships, and pre-apprenticeship registered under such Act, to promote the furtherance of labor standards necessary to safeguard the welfare of apprentices, and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 116–567, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 8294 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. CASTOR of Florida (for herself and Mr. McKinley):

H.R. 8732. A bill to modify reporting requirements under the Controlled Substances Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 8733. A bill to authorize the President to take actions to ensure Israel is prepared for all contingencies if Iran seeks to develop a nuclear weapon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8734. A bill to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to prohibit the imposition of a nondisclosure agreement as a condition of the payment of any award or settlement in connection with a violation of such Act; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8735. A bill to prohibit certain Federal agencies from using or purchasing certain firearms, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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. CASTOR of Florida:

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:

H.R. 8733.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to "provide for the common Defence", "to raise and support Armies", and "to make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces" as enumerated in Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8734.

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

Article I, Section 5, Clause 2 and Article I, Section 8 Clause 18 of the Constitution

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8735.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 12: Mr. BABIN.

H.R. 1185: Mr. COOPER.

H.R. 1471: Mr. TRONE.

H.R. 1713: Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 2350: Ms. Wilson of Florida, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Castor of Florida, and Mr. Hastings.

H.R. 3867: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H.R. 4512: Mr. SIRES.

H.R. 4515: Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 4540: Mr. Brown of Maryland and Mr. Carson of Indiana.

H.R. 4681: Mr. EMMER.

 $\rm H.R.~5091;~Mr.~Levin~of~California~and~Ms.~Norton.$

H.R. 5297: Mr. STIVERS.

H.R. 5613: Mrs. Napolitano.

H.R. 5689: Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 5845: Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 6144: Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 6499: Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H.R. 6626: Ms. Ocasio-Cortez.

H.R. 6958: Mr. CASE.

H.R. 7357: Ms. Foxx of North Carolina.

H.R. 7525: Mr. DESAULNIER.

H.R. 7777: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 7819: Mr. Steube and Mr. Crist.

H.R. 7848: Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 7876: Ms. Lee of California, Ms. Mucarsel-Powell, Mr. Defazio, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Levin of California, Ms. Adams, Ms. Meng, Mr. Raskin, and Ms. Castor of Florida.

H.R. 8038: Mr. Wilson of South Carolina.

H.R. 8178: Mr. SARBANES.

H.R. 8219: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr BALDERSON, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 8242: Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, and Ms. Spanberger.

H.R. 8245: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 8270: Mr. Yarmuth, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Horsford, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Gomez, and Ms. Shalala.

H.R. 8380: Ms. WILD, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, and Mr. RASKIN.

H.R. 8409: Mr. SHERMAN and Ms. BASS.

 $\rm H.R.$ 8433: Mr. Crist, Mr. Ruiz, and Mr. Levin of California.

H.R. 8454: Mr. JOYCE of Ohio.

H.R. 8465: Mr. Foster.

 $\rm H.R.$ 8468: Mr. Levin of California and Mr. DeSaulnier.

H.R. 8544: Mr. Soto and Mrs. Trahan.

H.R. 8595: Mr. CASTRO of Texas and Mr. CÁRDENAS.

H.R. 8598: Mr. Huffman, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Cuellar, Ms. Speier, Mr. McGovern, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Foster, and Ms. Schakowsky.

H.R. 8626: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.

H.R. 8632: Mr. DESAULNIER.

H.R. 8662: Mr. GUTHRIE, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. KHANNA, and Mr. MALINOWSKI.

H.R. 8687: Mr. EVANS and Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 8695: Mr. STEIL.

H.R. 8696: Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Suozzi, Mr. Thompson of California, Mr. Beyer, Ms. Sewell of Alabama, Mr. Panetta, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Mrs. Murphy of Florida, Mr. Kind, Mr. Evans, Ms. Moore, Mr. Marchant, Mr. Kelly of Pennsylvania, Mr. Schweikert, Mrs. Walorski, Mr. Lahood, Mr. Holding, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Estes, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, Mr. Wenstrup, Mr. King of New York, and Mr. Cole.

H.R. 8702: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 8718: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.

H.J. Res. 48: Ms. Speier.

H. Con. Res. 27: Mr. JACOBS.

H. Res. 114: Ms. Lee of California, Mr. Aderholt, and Mrs. Demings.

H. Res. 190: Ms. Brownley of California.

H. Res. 1173: Mr. MORELLE.

H. Res. 1207: Ms. Stefanik and Mr. Cohen.