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In similar fashion, Representative PELTOLA will be an important addition to the House, helping us better understand the perspectives of rural and Native communities and the special concerns of Alaskans as our majority works to deliver results and expand opportunities for all Americans.

I know, Madam Speaker, MARY will be warmly welcomed to the House by all of her colleagues on both sides of the aisle.

Because Alaska has only one at-large Representative in the House, the honor falls to me today, as the senior-most Member of our party, to introduce her. It is an honor I wholeheartedly accept, and I now ask my colleagues to join me in welcoming Alaska's new Representative and someone we will all very shortly be calling our good friend, MARY PELTOLA.

The SPEAKER. It is the custom of the House for Members of the delegation to join the newly elected and sworn-in Members. So if the Senators would like to join her in the well, they are most welcome. As the dean of the delegation, you are welcome to join her in the well, and any of our other colleagues who would like to join MARY PELTOLA in the well. We invite other Native Americans to join.

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Alaska (Mrs. PELTOLA).

Mrs. PELTOLA. Madam Speaker, I thank Leader HOYER for the very kind introduction and most especially for his words about my predecessor, Congressman for all Alaska, Don Young.

I thank you, Speaker PELOSI, Minority Leader MCCARTHY, and so many of my colleagues from both parties who have been very kind in welcoming me to the House of Representatives.

I am also so grateful to have my husband, my seven children and their loved ones, two grandchildren, and two sisters here with me this week. I couldn't do this without their love and support and votes.

It is the honor of my life to represent Alaska, a place my elders and ancestors have called home for thousands of years, where to this day many people in my community carry forward our traditions of hunting and fishing.

I am humbled and deeply honored to be the first Alaska Native to be elected to this body, the first woman to hold Alaska's House seat. But to be clear, I am here to represent all Alaskans. I will work every day to make all Alaskans proud that they have entrusted me to carry their voices here.

I am excited to work with all of you, to explain and take action to address Alaskans' needs, just as you did with my predecessor, the Congressman for all Alaska, Don Young.

Like all Alaskans, I mourned his passing. In Yupik, when we lose a loved one, we say "this is not the end." "Tua-ingunrituq."

Don was a true institution, an Alaska icon, someone who fought so hard and

so well for our State for 49 years. I know many of you loved Don, and I am sorry for your loss, too. I am committed to securing his legacy of bipartisanship and a deep respect for this institution. In my few days in Washington, I have already begun forming friendships with colleagues on both sides of the aisle.

Now, I might have a different approach than Don. You know how soft-spoken he was. But you will still be hearing all about Alaska, our people, and our State's unique needs.

I promised Alaskans I would fight for our families, to lower the cost of living that is pushing too many of us to the brink, to invest in high-quality childcare and early education, and to grow Alaska's economy with good jobs that pay a fair wage.

Resource development is important to Alaska's economy and our national energy security, and I look forward to working to ensure our State remains a global leader.

I also committed to fighting for our fish. For so many Alaska communities, fish are life. Our fish harvest is the best in the world. Half of the wild salmon sold in the world comes from our State, supporting good jobs that sustain strong communities. Subsistence fishing is not only an essential food source for so many Alaska families and communities, it is a sacred part of our traditions.

Again, thank you for your warm welcome. We have a lot to get done, and I am looking forward to getting to work.

"Thank you very much." "Quyana cakneq."

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE PATRICK RYAN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from New York (Mr. NADLER) is recognized for 1 minute.

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, as the dean of the New York delegation, I have the distinct honor to rise today to introduce the new Member of the House of Representatives from New York's 19th Congressional District, Representative PATRICK RYAN.

Representative RYAN is a fifth generation New Yorker who was born and raised in Kingston, New York. After graduating from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, he served our Nation as an Army intelligence officer and deployed for two combat tours in Iraq.

Returning to New York as a decorated veteran, Congressman RYAN went on to become a successful small business owner before returning to public service as the County Executive of Ulster County.

As County Executive, Representative RYAN has been shown to be a dedicated public servant, and I know he does not take his new role lightly.

As the dean of the delegation, I know I speak on behalf of the entire delegation when I say that Representative

RYAN will be a wonderful colleague whose experience, entrepreneurial leadership, and history of devoted service to our country will help this Chamber navigate the challenges of our times.

I am now honored, Madam Speaker, to yield to a fellow New Yorker (Mr. RYAN).

Mr. RYAN of New York. Madam Speaker, I thank Mr. NADLER for those kind words and introduction. I am proud to rise today as one of the newest Members and Representatives in the House, serving the great people of New York's 19th Congressional District.

On a clear, crisp May morning in 2004, I stood proudly with my West Point classmates, raised my right hand, and solemnly swore an oath to protect and defend our Constitution from all enemies, foreign and domestic. I still vividly remember the mix of emotions I felt as my classmates and I tossed a thousand white service caps simultaneously into the air—elation, relief, honor, pride, but mostly the tremendous weight of responsibility that came with that oath.

I didn't know exactly what lay ahead, but I knew I would soon lead troops in combat and that it would be my job to protect my fellow soldiers, to serve my country, to serve my community, to make difficult decisions with life or death consequences, and always to maintain my integrity, no matter what.

Today, 18 years later, I am so proud to have renewed that oath to protect and serve our great Nation. The weight of the responsibility I feel today standing before you—all is even greater. The same way that I fiercely protected my fellow soldiers, I will fight for my constituents, the community that raised me, that sent me care packages every single week when I was deployed overseas, that has had my back every step of the way. I will fight for their health, I will fight for their safety, and I will fight for their freedom.

As I look up into the gallery, I can see my wife, Rebecca, and our two young boys, Theo and Cameron.

Theo is clapping. Good job, buddy.

They are extremely well behaved tonight, and for that we are greatly appreciative.

They are 3 years old and 9 months old. They are too young to fully appreciate the significance of this day and this moment, but I cannot wait to explain to them the immense pride I feel standing here before you, with you, my distinguished colleagues, humbly representing my community.

This is a moment of immense consequence and challenge for our country. I truly believe it is an all-hands-on-deck moment for our democracy.

I pledge that I will fight every single day, with every ounce of my being, to deliver for the great people of New York's 19th Congressional District and to renew trust and faith in our Nation.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE JOSEPH SEMPOLINSKI TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from New York (Mr. KATKO) is recognized for 1 minute.

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I join my colleagues in the New York Congressional delegation in formally welcoming Congressman JOE SEMPOLINSKI as the new Representative for New York's 23rd Congressional District.

As someone who grew up in the Painted Post area and is currently raising a family in Canisteo, JOE is well-suited to represent New Yorkers from across the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes regions in Congress.

Beyond his local roots, JOE has a long history of public service to this region, and his record speaks for itself.

After earning degrees from both Georgetown University and Yale, JOE took a position as district director for Congressman TOM REED so he could serve the community where he grew up.

In addition to his years of work with Congressman REED, JOE's commitment to service has kept him personally involved in Steuben County politics and ultimately led to his decision to run for Congress.

With his demonstrated record of service, I am confident that Congressman SEMPOLINSKI will be a strong Representative for the families of New York's 23rd Congressional District.

I am proud to welcome him as a colleague, and, along with the rest of the New York delegation, to extend my heartfelt congratulations to JOE, his wife, Angie, and two beautiful daughters up in the balcony.

Madam Speaker, I yield the remainder of my time to the gentleman from New York (Mr. SEMPOLINSKI).

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Mr. SEMPOLINSKI. Madam Speaker, I thank Congressman KATKO for that wonderful introduction. I thank my fellow New York State delegation members for joining me. I thank the Minority Leader for being here. It is an honor to be the Representative of the people of the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes.

I am blessed to have my family with me. My parents are here; they have given me everything. My in-laws, who have always treated me like family, are here. I would not be standing here without the support of my wife, Angie, who is my soulmate and best friend.

I am also joined by my daughters. My younger daughter Maddie is with us. She is my bright-eyed, little sweetheart; she is 2. And I am joined by my older daughter Jojo. She is clapping.

I think other Down syndrome parents will understand what I mean when I say that in the person of Jojo I am joined today in this Chamber by my hero.

Over the last few months, I have been repeatedly asked, "Why would you run when you will only serve for 4

months?" My answer has always been, "It would be an honor to serve for 4 minutes." Most people in history have had to live their lives under despots and tyrants, but not here, not in America. That is the freedom our ancestors purchased for us at such great cost. We choose those who speak for us. To do so is a sacred thing.

We have so many challenges right now as a Nation. Rising prices steal from those who can least afford it. Crime puts fear in all of our hearts. And, sadly, so many feel that they are not heard by their Government.

I can tell the people of the 23rd District, without doubt, they are heard. I am blessed to be from one of the most beautiful places on Earth. I pray that I can be worthy of the people who have sent me here to speak for them.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlewoman from Alaska and the gentlemen from New York, the whole number of the House is now 433.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. KELLY of Illinois). Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Motions to suspend the rules with respect to the following measures:

S. 4785;

H.R. 5315;

H.R. 1066.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR DOMESTIC TRAFFICKING VICTIMS' FUND

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 4785) to extend by 19 days the authorization for the special assessment for the Domestic Trafficking Victims' Fund, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. NADLER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 415, nays 0, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 421]

YEAS—415

Adams	Dean	Johnson (LA)
Aguilar	DeFazio	Johnson (OH)
Allen	DeGette	Johnson (SD)
Amodei	DeLauro	Johnson (TX)
Armstrong	DelBene	Jones
Arrington	Demings	Jordan
Auchincloss	DeSaulnier	Joyce (OH)
Axne	DesJarlais	Joyce (PA)
Babin	Deutch	Kahele
Bacon	Diaz-Balart	Kaptur
Baird	Dingell	Katko
Balderson	Doggett	Keating
Banks	Donalds	Keller
Barr	Doyle, Michael	Kelly (IL)
Barragán	F.	Kelly (MS)
Bass	Duncan	Kelly (PA)
Beatty	Dunn	Khanna
Bentz	Ellzey	Kildee
Bera	Emmer	Kilmer
Bergman	Escobar	Kim (CA)
Beyer	Eshoo	Kim (NJ)
Bice (OK)	Estes	Kind
Biggs	Evans	Kinzinger
Bilirakis	Fallon	Kirkpatrick
Bishop (GA)	Feenstra	Kuster
Bishop (NC)	Ferguson	Kustoff
Blumenauer	Finstad	LaHood
Blunt Rochester	Fischbach	LaMalfa
Boebert	Fitzgerald	Lamb
Bonamici	Fitzpatrick	Lamborn
Bost	Fleischmann	Larsen (WA)
Bourdeaux	Fletcher	Larson (CT)
Bowman	Flood	Latta
Boyle, Brendan	Flores	LaTurner
F.	Foster	Lawrence
Brady	Fox	Lawson (FL)
Brooks	Frankel, Lois	Lee (CA)
Brown (MD)	Franklin, C.	Lee (NV)
Brown (OH)	Scott	Leger Fernandez
Brownley	Fulcher	Lesko
Buchanan	Gallagher	Letlow
Buck	Garamendi	Levin (CA)
Bucshon	Garbarino	Levin (MI)
Burchett	Garcia (CA)	Lieu
Burgess	Garcia (IL)	Lofgren
Bush	Garcia (TX)	Long
Bustos	Gibbs	Loudermilk
Butterfield	Gimenez	Lowenthal
Calvert	Gohmert	Lucas
Cammack	Golden	Luetkemeyer
Carbajal	Gomez	Luria
Cárdenas	Gonzales, Tony	Lynch
Carey	Gonzalez (OH)	Mace
Carl	Gonzalez,	Malinowski
Carson	Vicente	Malliotakis
Carter (GA)	Good (VA)	Maloney,
Carter (LA)	Gooden (TX)	Carolyn B.
Carter (TX)	Gosar	Maloney, Sean
Cartwright	Gottheimer	Mann
Case	Granger	Manning
Casten	Graves (LA)	Massie
Castor (FL)	Graves (MO)	Mast
Castro (TX)	Green (TN)	Matsui
Cawthorn	Green, Al (TX)	McBath
Chabot	Greene (GA)	McCarthy
Cheney	Griffith	McCaul
Cherfilus-	Grijalva	McClain
McCormick	Grothman	McClintock
Chu	Guest	McCollum
Ciциlline	Guthrie	McEachin
Clark (MA)	Harder (CA)	McGovern
Clarke (NY)	Harris	McHenry
Cleaver	Harshbarger	McKinley
Cline	Hartzler	McNerney
Cloud	Hern	Meeks
Clyburn	Herrell	Meng
Clyde	Hice (GA)	Meuser
Cohen	Higgins (LA)	Mfume
Cole	Higgins (NY)	Miller (IL)
Comer	Hill	Miller (WV)
Connolly	Himes	Miller-Meeks
Conway	Hinson	Moolenaar
Cooper	Hollingsworth	Mooney
Correa	Houlahan	Moore (AL)
Costa	Hoyer	Moore (UT)
Courtney	Hudson	Moore (WI)
Craig	Huffman	Morelle
Crawford	Huizenga	Moulton
Crenshaw	Issa	Mrvan
Crow	Jackson	Mullin
Cuellar	Jackson Lee	Murphy (FL)
Curtis	Jacobs (CA)	Murphy (NC)
Davids (KS)	Jacobs (NY)	Nadler
Davidson	Jayapal	Napolitano
Davis, Danny K.	Jeffries	Neal
Davis, Rodney	Johnson (GA)	Neguse