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# House of Representatives

The House met at 4 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WITTMAN).

# DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

> Washington, DC, March 14, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT J. WITTMAN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN McCarthy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

O Lord, our God, You are above, before, behind, and around us, guarding us from all sides. You have shown time and again You care for us as a shepherd cares for each sheep, as a parent loves a child.

Thank You for the rest You offer us from time to time: The peace You give us as we walk in the canopy of color emerging from the budding trees, the guidance You offer as You lead us to streams of clear spring water.

Because of You, we enjoy the abundance of life. The bounty and blessings that You provide for us are beyond our wildest imaginings.

Teach us then how to walk with You in righteousness. Though so much around us threatens to overwhelm or overtake us, remain beside us that we would be encouraged by Your presence, strengthened by Your provision, and assured of Your protection.

May we never doubt or overlook Your goodness and mercy. But on this day and throughout our lives, allow us to live in the welcome and shelter of Your love.

In Your hallowed name we pray. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, 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.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Byrd, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the Chair, on behalf of the Secretary of the Senate, announces the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress:

Tanya Marshall of Vermont.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 2(a) of the National Cultural Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76h(a)), amended by Public Law 107–117, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:

Mr. McCaul, Texas Ms. Letlow, Louisiana APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO HOUSE DEMOCRACY PARTNERSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 5, One Hundred Eighteenth Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members to the House Democracy Partnership:

Mr. SMITH, Nebraska

Mr. Lahood, Illinois

Mr. KELLY, Pennsylvania

Mr. Dunn, Florida

Mr. FITZPATRICK, Pennsylvania

Mr. Kustoff, Tennessee

Mr. HERN, Oklahoma

Mr. STEIL, Wisconsin

Ms. TENNEY, New York Mrs. Luna, Florida

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACAD-

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 8468(a), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy:

Mr. Ellzey, Texas

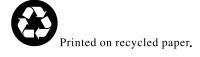
Mr. C. Scott Franklin, Florida

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 51312(b), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy:

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

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



Mr. VALADAO, California

# A JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported that on March 09, 2023, the following joint resolution was presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.J. Res. 30. Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to "Prudence and Loyalty in Selecting Plan Investments and Exercising Shareholder Rights"

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Thereupon (at 4 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, March 17, 2023, at 11 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-579. A letter from the Director, Regulations Management Division, Rural Development Innovation Center, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Electric Program Coverage Ratios Clarification and Modifications [Docket No.: RUS-22-ELECTRIC-0057] (RIN: 0572-AC60) received March 10, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 368); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-580. A letter from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Defense [Docket ID: DoD-2021-OS-0032] (RIN: 0790-AL21) March 9, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-581. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Childern and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Native American Programs (RIN: 0970-AC38) received March 1, 2023, 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 the Workforce.

EC-582. A letter from the Regulatory Policy Analyst, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Change of Address; Technical Amendment [Docket No. FDA-2019-N-0646] received March 6, 2023, 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.

EC-583. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Section 73.622(j), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Yuma, Arizona) [MB Docket No.: 22-420; RM-11937] received March 7, 2023, 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.

EC-584. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadccast Stations (Ralston, Wyoming) [MB Docket No.: 22-398; RM-11935) received March 7, 2023, 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.

EC-585. A letter from the Agency Representative, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Establishing Permanent Electronic Filing for Patent Term Extension Applications [Docket No.: PTO-P-2021-0061] (RIN: 0651-AD59) March 7, 2023, 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.

EC-586. A letter from the Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting the Commission's March 2023 Report to Congress: Medicare Payment Policy, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395b-6(b)(1)(C); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1805(b)(1)(c) (as amended by Public Law 111-148, Sec. 2801(b)(1)); (124 Stat. 332); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-587. A letter from the Department Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Social Security Number Fraud Prevention Act of 2017 Implementation [DOI-2021-0002; DS67010000, DWSNF0000.XD0000, DP67012, 22XD4523WS] (RIN: 1090-AB24) received March 1, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Oversight and Accountability and 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:

Ms. FOXX: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 5. A bill to ensure the rights of parents are honored and protected in the Nation's public schools; with an amendment (Rept. 118-9). 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. SCALISE (for himself, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. WESTERMAN, and Mr. GRAVES of Missouri):

H.R. 1. A bill to lower energy costs by increasing American energy production, exports, infrastructure, and critical minerals processing, by promoting transparency, accountability, permitting, and production of American resources, and by improving water quality certification and energy projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Budget, 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. CASE (for himself, Mr. WOMACK, and Ms. TOKUDA):

H.R. 1571. A bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996 to provide certain Federal public benefits to citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau who are lawfully residing in the United States if they are otherwise qualified, consistent with section 141 of the Compacts of Free Association; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Agriculture, 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. CLEAVER (for himself, Mr. Graves of Missouri, Ms. Davids of Kansas, and Ms. Mace):

H.R. 1572. A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the female telephone operators of the Army Signal Corps, known as the "Hello Girls"; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 1573. A bill to require the Secretary of Education to accept certain documentation from the Department of Defense as proof of employment for purposes of the public service loan forgiveness program; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. DAVIDSON:

H.R. 1574. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to permit an individual to invest in private issuers upon acknowledging the investment risks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. FULCHER:

H.R. 1575. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to pregnancy-help organizations; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FULCHER:

H.R. 1576. A bill to provide exceptions from permitting and fee requirements for content creation, regardless of distribution platform, including still photography, digital or analog video, and digital or analog audio recording activities, conducted on land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 1577. A bill to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to clarify ambiguous provisions, reflect modern technologies, optimize interagency coordination, and facilitate a more efficient, effective, and timely environmental review process; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois):

H.R. 1578. A bill to provide grants to States to ensure that all students in the middle grades are taught an academically rigorous curriculum with effective supports so that students complete the middle grades prepared for success in secondary school and postsecondary endeavors, to improve State and local educational agency policies and programs relating to the academic achievement of students in the middle grades, to develop and implement effective middle grades models for struggling students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.