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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

Deacon Dan S. Borne, Diocese of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, guest chaplain, offered the following prayer:

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us. Melt us. Mold us. Fill us. Use us.

Direct our actions by Your holy inspiration, and carry them on with Your gracious assistance so that every prayer and work of ours may begin with You and through You be brought to successful completion.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois 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.

WELCOMING GUEST CHAPLAIN DAN BORNE

(Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I want to give a quick shout-

out and recognition to our guest chaplain today, Deacon Dan Borne.

Not to take anything away from the Almighty Father, but I think Deacon Borne's voice is often confused with the Almighty in Tiger Stadium in "Death Valley", as over and over again fans hear, "First Down, Tigers," "Chance of Rain? Never," and "Touch-down, Tigers," to the frustration of our guest teams.

Borne has been a longtime friend, along with his wife, a Catholic schoolteacher. His son, Jason, was one of my best friends in high school. David and Elizabeth are the other kids in the family. Deacon Borne has been leading them in a life of faith and is now leading our entire community as deacon in the East Baton Rouge Catholic Church.

I appreciate him being here. I welcome him and certainly welcome his prayer, as we need much more of that here today.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. KIM of California). The Chair will entertain up to 5 further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

DAN BORNE WEARS MANY DIFFERENT HATS

(Mr. SCALISE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, I, too, want to thank our guest chaplain, Dan Borne. For so many years, over 30 years, I have known Dan and known him wearing many different hats. Anybody in Louisiana who has encountered a number of different interests, whether it is philanthropic, religious, business, you have run into Dan Borne.

I know Dan through the Louisiana Chemical Association, as the head, rep-

resenting thousands of workers throughout Louisiana, making things that all of us use in our everyday life and making sure that those great men and women have the ability to do their jobs with the pride that they have. That was the first role in which I really got to know Dan Borne and his dear friend, Greg Bowser.

Also, of course, as an LSU alum, when you are in Tiger Stadium, everybody knows that voice. When you hear the voice of Dan Borne, it is just one that gets people excited, most people get excited. There are other people in Tiger Stadium that might not be as excited when they are on the other end of what happens in Death Valley, but Dan is the one who really keeps things going as the voice of the LSU Tigers. Then, of course, there is his role as a deacon and also a spokesperson for the diocese of Baton Rouge.

Dan Borne wears many hats, but he wears them all with great pride and distinction. He carries himself the way all of us should, a true man of God.

We are honored to have Dan here with us today. I am glad he was able to open the House up in prayer today. God bless him.

COMMEMORATING JUNETEENTH NATIONAL HOLIDAY

(Mr. DAVIS of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, beginning tomorrow there will be thousands and thousands of events, commemorations, and activities all over America celebrating Juneteenth, which will be June 19. There will be many of those in the district that I represent, at Malcolm X College and also at the JLM Center.

I look forward to participating with many of my constituents as we remember and recall but project the future,

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and that is what Juneteenth means. We look back to go forward.

Happy Juneteenth to all of the constituents in my district and throughout America.

SEPARATION OF POWERS

(Mr. ROSE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROSE. Madam Speaker, the Constitution is clear. The people's elected Representatives, Congress, have the power to legislate, and the courts have judicial authority.

Unfortunately, in recent years, those powers have been diluted by overreaching and unelected administrative branch bureaucrats that believe they are the sole arbiters when it comes to administering policies, not the American people through their Representatives.

Regardless of which political party is in office, both Republicans and Democrats alike should be concerned about willfully giving away their constituents' voices when deciding pressing matters.

The Separation of Powers Restoration Act, which I am proud to support, would restore a separate but equal government our Founding Fathers intended and give back to the people, the American people and their Representatives the capacity to make policy. This is as common sense as it gets and should draw wide bipartisan support.

Madam Speaker, I urge all Members to join me in voting "yes" on H.R. 288.

CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF DAVID M. BARTLEY

(Mr. NEAL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I wish to call attention to the passing of the former speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, David Bartley.

Speaker Bartley was one of the most talented and gifted legislators I have known. His legislative prowess brought about Chapter 766, so that the mentally and physically challenged might be guaranteed a sound public education. His measured approach to public life meant that he led through developing consensus and forging historic legislation.

Speaker Bartley went on to serve as president of Holyoke Community College, where he brought the college to new heights of widely acknowledged academic achievement. He was also a very successful secretary of administration and finance who oversaw the State's finances.

Born to a very modest background, Dave Bartley brought acclaim to the city of Holyoke that he loved, and it returned its highest regards to him.

Well-read and well-rounded, Speaker Bartley was a Renaissance man and a

really good guy. To his wife, Bette, and children, Myles, Susan, and David, our best during this difficult time.

The United States of America thanks Speaker Bartley.

CONGRATULATING EILEEN BRADNER ON HER RETIREMENT

(Mr. CRAWFORD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CRAWFORD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a leader in the American steel industry. Eileen Bradner, the senior director and counsel at Nucor, has worked for one of my district's most prominent employers since 2009. Her hard work advocating for the steel industry here in Washington helped grow jobs in Arkansas' First District and at Nucor facilities across the United States.

Before leading Nucor's Washington office, Eileen represented American manufacturers on international trade policy, litigation, and legislative matters for 21 years. Her legislative work included 8 years with Senator John Glenn, where she worked on foreign trade and antidumping policies.

Eileen dedicated her career to protecting American jobs and manufacturing, representing small and large companies alike. I am proud to call Eileen a friend. She will be dearly missed as she embarks on a well-earned retirement.

CONGRATULATING MY DISTRICT'S YOUNG LEADERS AS THEY GRADUATE

(Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, each year I am lucky to work with smart, dedicated students in my district through our student advisory panel. I am amazed and motivated by their passion, civic engagement, and thoughtfulness. They give me hope.

Throughout this month, our communities smile, as some of these young leaders graduate from high school.

To celebrate this milestone, I congratulate each of my graduates by name:

Will Bond, Sreekara Dandibhotla, Emma Eby, Mark Ellison, Michael Gribbin, Frances Holcomb, Chloe Jeon, Elisabeth Kokorin, Phoebe Lee, Aditi Mangal, Noah Pletcher, Jayleen Santana, Caden Schaeffer, Charlie Sywulak-Herry, and Gabriella Thomas.

In addition, our task force would not be possible without the care and organization of teachers Alan Malachowski and Jenn Statler of the Pennsylvania State Education Association. I thank them both.

I wish each of our students the brightest future. I thank them for being leaders in our community, and I know they will continue to be leaders wherever life takes them.

MOMENT OF SILENCE HONORING TREATHA BROWN-FOSTER

(Mr. ESTES asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ESTES. Madam Speaker, today I honor a longtime friend and Kansan with a true servant's heart, Treatha Brown-Foster.

One minute is not nearly enough time to adequately share all the impressive contributions Treatha has made to Wichita and Kansas. She was a member of the Library Board, District 1 Advisory Board, Boys and Girls Club Parent Advisory Board, and the Kansas African American Museum Board, just to name a few. She was instrumental in advancing both the Kansas and Sedgwick County Black Republican Councils, serving in various leadership roles, including chair.

While her contributions to society are many, her real legacy is the joy she brought to all who were around her. Kansans who met Treatha will remember her animated smile, infectious laugh, and warm hugs that were a prerequisite to starting any conversation with her.

She loved everyone, and everyone loved her, as made evident by the numerous community leaders and elected officials who sought her friendship and counsel regardless of political differences.

Madam Speaker, I ask for a moment of silence to honor this beloved Kansan and my friend, Treatha Brown-Foster.

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SEPARATION OF POWERS RESTORATION ACT OF 2023

Mr. FITZGERALD. Madam Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 495, I call up the bill (H.R. 288) to amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify the nature of judicial review of agency interpretations of statutory and regulatory provisions, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 495, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 118-7 is adopted, and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

H.R. 288

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Separation of Powers Restoration Act of 2023" or "SOPRA".

SEC. 2. JUDICIAL REVIEW OF STATUTORY AND REGULATORY INTERPRETATIONS.

Section 706 of title 5, United States Code, is amended—