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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOONEY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 22, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ALEXANDER X. MOONEY 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:

Creator God, You made us, and we are Your people, the sheep of Your pasture. Gather us back into Your fold, that we may once again experience the warmth of Your embrace and the protection of Your steadfast love.

For we have wandered far from Your company. We have deviated widely from the paths You set before us. Even as we reflect on our own history as a country, our departure from Your divine will is painfully obvious.

Call us back to profound moments that rang the bell to return to You, to seek justice that rolls like a river, and righteousness like a never-failing stream which will lead us back to You. May we hear the resonant voice of Your servants like Martin Luther King, Jr., who 60 years ago spoke on the monumental steps of this city, sounding the clarion call to yield our lives to the fulfillment of Your vision of valleys exalted, mountains and hills made low.

Restore to us the joy that is ours when we do Your will, that we would work together to live into the dream of

freedom and justice upheld, that we would pray together at the table of fellowship, and with dignity and respect, refine the content of our character even as we struggle together as equals.

For You, O Lord, are good, and Your love endures forever. Your faithfulness continues through all generations. In the strength of Your merciful 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Friday, August 25, 2023.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 25, 2023, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-1693. A letter from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission,

transmitting the Commission's final rule — Reporting and Information Requirements for Derivatives Clearing Organizations (RIN: 3038-AF12) received August 10, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-1694. A letter from the Chief of Planning and Regulatory Affairs Office, OPS, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the "Thrifty Food Plan Cost Estimates for Alaska and Hawaii"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-1695. A letter from the Chief of Planning and Regulatory Affairs Office, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) — Fourth Allocation of Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) Funds to Alleviate Supply Chain Disruptions in the School Meal Programs; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-1696. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Prohibition Against Certain Flights in the Kabul Flight Information Region (FIR) (OAKX) [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1415; Amdt. No.: 91-369] (RIN: 2120-AL71) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1697. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1500; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00642-T; Amendment 39-22511; AD 2023-14-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1698. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2022-0458; Project Identifier AD-2021-00633-T; Amendment 39-22494; AD 2023-13-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1699. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of

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Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0432; Project Identifier AD-2022-01384-T; Amendment 39-22457; AD 2023-11-11] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1700. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0659; Project Identifier AD-2022-01404-T; Amendment 39-22508; AD 2023-14-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1701. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus, Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0931; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00653-R; Amendment 39-22493; AD 2023-13-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 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 Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1702. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Service's Major final rule — Additional Guidance on Low-Income Communities Bonus Credit Program [TD 9979] (RIN: 1545-BQ81) received August 21, 2023, 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.

EC-1703. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Updates to the Quality Reporting Program and Value-Based Purchasing Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2024 [CMS-1779-F] (RIN: 0938-AV02) received August 16, 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 Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-1704. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Contract Year 2024 Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare Advantage Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program, Medicare Cost Plan Program, and Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly; Correcting Amendment [CMS-4201-F2] (RIN: 0938-AU96) received August 16, 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 Energy and Commerce 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:

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 783. A bill to designate the Department of Energy Integrated Engineering Research Center

Federal Building located at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, Illinois, as the "Helen Edwards Engineering Research Center" (Rept. 118-163). Referred to the House Calendar.

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. BARR (for himself, Mr. DUNN of Florida, and Mr. WITTMAN):

H.R. 5245. A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require certain congressional notification prior to entering into, renewing, or extending a science and technology agreement with the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. CARAVEO (for herself, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina):

H.R. 5246. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to reauthorize the Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network and establish a national agricultural crisis hotline, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. PETERS, Ms. TITUS, and Mr. MOYLAN):

H.R. 5247. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to hire psychiatrists; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. CHU (for herself, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. TORRES of New York, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. SCANLON, and Ms. MENG):

H.R. 5248. A bill to halt removal of certain nationals of Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Ms. BARRAGAN):

H.R. 5249. A bill to amend the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 to include the Coast Guard Academy in the safe-to-report minor collateral misconduct policy of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. MOLINARO, Ms. SPANBERGER, and Mr. NUNN of Iowa):

H.R. 5250. A bill to amend the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 with respect to the emergency watershed program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. FERGUSON (for himself and Ms. SANCHEZ):

H.R. 5251. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for investment advisory expenses of certain funeral and cemetery trusts during suspension of miscellaneous itemized deductions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. HAYES:

H.R. 5252. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to make adjustments to the environmental quality incentives program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. LEE of Nevada:

H.R. 5253. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Air Force to conduct certain studies relating to members of the Air Force assigned

to Creech Air Force Base, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. LIU (for himself, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. SANCHEZ, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. NORTON, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. DESAULNIER, Ms. BARRAGAN, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, and Ms. MATSUI):

H.R. 5254. A bill to address the homelessness and housing crises, to move toward the goal of providing for a home for all Americans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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 Ms. MACE:

H.R. 5255. A bill to require covered contractors implement a vulnerability disclosure policy consistent with NIST guidelines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. MOOLENAAR (for himself and Mr. HUFFMAN):

H.R. 5256. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide payment under part A of the Medicare Program on a reasonable cost basis for anesthesia services furnished by an anesthesiologist in certain rural hospitals in the same manner as payments are provided for anesthesia services furnished by anesthesiologist assistants and certified registered nurse anesthetists in such hospitals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NUNN of Iowa (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, and Mr. JACKSON of Illinois):

H.R. 5257. A bill to amend the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 to enhance the long-term protection of watersheds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. ROSS (for herself and Ms. SCANLON):

H.R. 5258. A bill to authorize the Attorney General to make grants to protection and advocacy systems to address the needs of individuals with disabilities involved in the local, State, and Federal criminal justice system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. TURNER):

H.R. 5259. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to include in periodic health assessments of members of the Armed Forces an evaluation of whether the member has been exposed to perfluoroalkyl substances and polyfluoroalkyl substances, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself and Mr. POSEY):

H.R. 5260. A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, to modify the prohibition on the acquisition by the Department of Defense of certain items containing a perfluoroalkyl substance or polyfluoroalkyl substance; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself, Mr. POSEY, Mr. TURNER, and Mr. BERGMAN):

H.R. 5261. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to provide to each health care provider of the Department of Defense training regarding the potential health effects of