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The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOLINARO).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 9, 2024.

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

MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

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

Wherever we find ourselves today, O Lord, may our attitudes, our beliefs, and all that we do prove faithful to You.

May we know contentedness with whatever situation assails us. May we be unafraid of whatever challenge meets us.

May we be joyful even in the face of our deepest sadness.

May we trust You despite the uncertainty of these days.

And may we prove unwavering in meeting our responsibility to live at peace with everyone.

In the name of the one who is the reason for our faith, our hope, and our love, 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 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2024.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 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-5047. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation, and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Procedures for Determining Eligibility for Access to Classified Matter or Special Nuclear Material [EHSS-RM-20-PACNM] (RIN: 1992-AA64) received August 1, 2024, 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-5048. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Idaho; Delegation of Authority, Federal Plan for Existing Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators [EPA-R10-OAR-2023-0553; FRL-11570-01-R10] received August 2, 2024, 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-5049. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Envi-

ronmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Potassium Carbonate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0232; FRL-12153-01-OCSP] received August 2, 2024, 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-5050. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Designations of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Maryland; Baltimore, MD 2015 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area; Reclassification to Serious [EPA-R03-OAR-2024-0352; FRL-12131-01-R3] received August 2, 2024, 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-5051. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Ethanol, 2,2',2''-nitritoltris, Compd. With alpha-Hydroxyhydroxypoly (Oxy-1,2-ethanediyl) Ether With; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5052. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule; administrative change — Air Plan Approval; WA; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference [EPA-R10-OAR-2024-0151; FRL11672-01-R10] received August 2, 2024, 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-5053. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final action — Air Plan Approval; Kansas; Regional Haze [EPA-R07-OAR-2023-0582; FRL-11576-02-R7] received August 2, 2024, 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-5054. A letter from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to the threat posed by the advancement by countries of concern in sensitive technologies and products critical for the military, intelligence, surveillance, or cyber-enabled capabilities of such countries declared in Executive Order 14105 of August 9, 2023, is to continue in effect beyond August 9, 2024,

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

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pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 118-158); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-5055. A letter from the President of the United States, transmitting An Agreement Among the Government of the United States of America, The Government of Australia, and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for Co-operation Related to Naval Nuclear Propulsion, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2153(d); Aug. 1, 1946, ch. 724, title I, Sec. 123 (as amended by Public Law 109-401, Sec. 104(e)); (120 Stat. 2734) (H. Doc. No. 118-159); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-5056. A letter from the Manager, Branch of Delisting and Foreign Species, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Sira Curassow and Southern Helmeted Curassow [Docket No. FWS-HQ-ES-2023-0053; FXES1111090FEDR-245-FF09E22000] (RIN: 1018-BG55) received August 1, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-5057. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Torts, Civil Division, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Process for Determining That an Individual Shall Not Be Deemed an Employee of the Public Health Service [Docket No. CIV150; AG Order No. 5968-2024] (RIN: 1105-AB37) received August 1, 2024, 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-5058. A letter from the Branch Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Imposition of Import Restrictions on Archaeological and Ethnological Material of Tunisia (RIN: 1515-AE66) received August 2, 2024, 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.

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. BOST: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 6531. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop a training program for certain senior executives and supervisors employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs; with an amendment (Rept. 118-624). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BOST: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 2499. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out an information technology system and prioritize certain requirements to manage supply chains for medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs; with an amendment (Rept. 118-625). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BOST: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 6874. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to implement a system or process to actively monitor the veteran self-service and data transmission functions of the main internet website of the Department of Veterans Affairs for certain adverse events, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-626). Referred to the

Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BOST: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 6324. A bill to authorize major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-627). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JORDAN: Committee on the Judiciary. Resolution Recommending that the House of Representatives find Mark Zwonitzer in Contempt of Congress for Refusal to Comply with a Subpoena Duly Issued by the Committee on the Judiciary (Rept. 118-628). 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. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 9326. A bill to require United States shipyards to repay Federal financial assistance if they are sold to foreign persons, to prohibit the use of Federal funds for capital improvements at foreign-owned shipyards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. FLOOD (for himself, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. BACON, Ms. SCHOLTEN, and Ms. TITUS):

H.R. 9327. A bill to make publicly available information on sustainable aviation fuel production and imports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee (for himself and Mr. LYNCH):

H.R. 9328. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish additional presumptions of service connection for certain diseases that occur in veterans who suffered toxic exposure while serving at Karshi Khanabad Air Base, Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GREEN of Texas:

H.R. 9329. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional Gold Medal to Prince Hall, in recognition of his service to the Black Community as the founder of the first Black Masonic lodge; 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. GREEN of Texas:

H.R. 9330. A bill to provide for the issuance of a Prince Hall Commemorative Stamp; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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. JOYCE of Ohio (for himself and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS):

H.R. 9331. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the excise tax on investment income of private colleges and universities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KEAN of New Jersey:

H.R. 9332. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to authorize Secret Service to reimburse State and local governments for the use of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KEAN of New Jersey:

H.R. 9333. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an income tax

credit for the costs of certain fertility treatments; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KHANNA (for himself, Mr. DELUZIO, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. STEVENS, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. FOUSHEE, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. THANEDAR):

H.R. 9334. A bill to strengthen domestic manufacturing, bring next generation iron and steel back to the United States, and revitalize deindustrialized regions; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. KILMER (for himself, Mr. CISCOMANI, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Ms. STRICKLAND):

H.R. 9335. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program to provide services from midwives to covered beneficiaries under the TRICARE program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ (for herself, Ms. STANSBURY, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. BROWNLEY):

H.R. 9336. A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the individuals who fought for or with the United States against the armed forces of Imperial Japan in the Pacific theater and the impacted Sashinax people on Attu, whose lives, culture, and community were irrevocably changed from December 8, 1941, to August 15, 1945; 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. MAGAZINER (for himself, Ms. BALINT, Mr. BOWMAN, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CARSON, Ms. CHU, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. EVANS, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. POCAN, Ms. PORTER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mrs. SYKES, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. TOKUDA, Mr. TRONE, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 9337. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for increased criminal and civil penalties for wage theft; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MILLER of Ohio:

H.R. 9338. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restrict the advanced manufacturing production credit with respect to components produced by, or in connection with, foreign entities of concern; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. PAPPAS (for himself and Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia):

H.R. 9339. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to approve interstate commerce carrier apprenticeship programs for purposes of veterans educational assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. PFLUGER (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

H.R. 9340. A bill to appropriate more funds for the Federal Communication Commission's "rip and replace" program, to require a spectrum auction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. RYAN:

H.R. 9341. A bill to require expedited consideration of a bill that addresses the insolvency of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund or the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund in the case