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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2:30 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,  
April 13, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Robert J. Wittman, to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend Stephanie Vader, Capitol Hill United Methodist Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Holy mystery, help us keep finding steady ground in this time of instability.

Holy mystery, remind us in these days of spectacle to stay human by telling the truth, caring for each other, and practicing mercy instead of revenge.

Holy mystery, help us to cultivate community by listening, trusting, and staying present to each other.

Holy mystery, remind us that courage and wisdom come when we stand shoulder to shoulder with all of our beloved siblings working for the flourishing of all.

Holy mystery, in this season of resurrection, we do not wait for new life to begin some day; we practice it now by tending to life and resisting fear.

Holy mystery, we do not know what comes next, but we trust that we already carry what we need in shared values, shared songs, and shared responsibilities.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the Journal of the last day's proceedings stands 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 clause 13 of Rule I, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at noon for morning-hour debate.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-3225. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Major General Brian W. Gibson, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4209); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3226. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Major General Lorna M. Mahlock, United States Marine Corps, to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general,

pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4209); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3227. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Major General Steven M. Marks, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4209); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3228. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Lieutenant General Joshua M. Rudd, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of general, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4209); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3229. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Seven Specific Fentanyl-Related Substances in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1457] received April 7, 2026, 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-3230. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary amendment — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Temporary Placement of Ethyleneoxynitazene, Methylenedioxyxynitazene, 5-Methyl Etodesnitazene, N-Desethyl Etonitazene, N-Desethyl Protonitazene, N, N-Dimethylamino Etonitazene, and N-Pyrrolidino Isotonitazene in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1494] received April 7, 2026, 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-3231. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary scheduling order — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Extension of Temporary Placement of CUMYL-PEGACLONE in Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act [Docket No.: DEA-1511] received April 7, 2026, 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.

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EC-3232. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary scheduling order — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Extension of Temporary Placement of 4F-MDMB-BUTICA, ADB-4en-PINACA, 5F-EDMB-PICA, and MMB-FUBICA in Schedule I of the Controlled Substances Act [Docket No.: DEA-1604] received April 7, 2026, 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-3233. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary rule — Fourth Temporary Extension of COVID-19 Telemedicine Flexibilities for Prescription of Controlled Medications [Docket No.: DEA-407] (RIN: 1117-AB40, 1117-AB78, and 1117-ZA07) received April 7, 2026, 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-3234. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Ethiopia that was declared in Executive Order 14046 of September 17, 2021, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3235. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-32; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3236. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to specified harmful foreign activities of the Government of the Russian Federation that was declared in Executive Order 14024 of April 15, 2021, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3237. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the situation in and in relation to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 14014 of February 10, 2021, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3238. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3239. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Report Number: 007147, 007195, 007432, Report Title: Resolution of the Cyprus Dispute, Legislation: 22 USC 2373(c); Eastern Mediterranean policy requirements; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3240. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the commission's FY 2025 No FEAR annual report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3241); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3241. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Ad-

ministration, transmitting the Administration's Fiscal Year 2025 Guidance on Federal Information Security and Privacy Management Requirements Report, pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3553(c); Public Law 113-283, Sec. 2(a); (128 Stat. 3076); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3242. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's 2025 Annual Performance and Accountability Report, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1827(a)(2); Sept. 21, 1950, ch. 967, Sec. 2(17)(a) (as amended by Public Law 101-73, Sec. 220(a)); (103 Stat. 264) and 31 U.S.C. 1115(b); Public Law 111-352, Sec. 3; (124 Stat. 3868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3243. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's Chief Human Capital Officers Council 2025 Report to Congress, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1401 note; Public Law 107-296, title XIII, Sec. 1303(d)(1) (as amended by Public Law 117-81, div. F, title LXVI, Sec. 6604); (135 Stat. 2441); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3244. A letter from the Acting Chief Administrative Officer, U.S. House of Representatives, transmitting Statement of Disbursements Covering The Period of January 1, 2026 To March 31, 2026 (H. Doc. No. 119-148); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

EC-3245. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, transmitting the Administration's direct final rule — Reducing Bureaucracy and Burden for Refugee Resettlement Programs (RIN: 0970-AD28) received April 8, 2026, 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.

## 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. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Mr. LAWLER):

H.R. 8247. A bill to establish an inter-agency group on categorical exclusions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Mr. LAWLER):

H.R. 8248. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to allow a person to construct or modify an electric transmission facility in a national interest electric transmission corridor if the person self-certifies certain information to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:

H.R. 8249. A bill to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to clarify the scope of review, establish limits for judicial review of environmental documents relating to energy infrastructure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Ms. STEFANK):

H.R. 8250. A bill to require operating system providers to verify the age of any user of an operating system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HUIZENGA (for himself and Mr. PANETTA):

H.R. 8251. A bill to amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 with respect to the tree assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. KILEY of California:

H.R. 8252. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to provide for withholding of funds for noncompliance with State gas tax restriction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MCCAUL (for himself and Mr. CUELLAR):

H.R. 8253. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security the Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. TLAIB (for herself, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. JACOBS, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Mr. THANEDAR, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 8254. A bill to establish a low-income water assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, 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. TLAIB:

H. Con. Res. 84. Concurrent resolution directing the President pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution to remove United States Armed Forces from Lebanon; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. BICE (for herself, Mr. BRECHEEN, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, and Mr. CARTER of Georgia):

H. Res. 1164. A resolution directing Members required to reimburse the Treasury for payments related to certain claims to appear before the Clerk for public disclosure of the reasons for the reimbursement; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, 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 Mrs. DINGELL (for herself, Mrs. MCCLAIN, Ms. McDONALD RIVET, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. THANEDAR, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. STANTON, Mr. BERGMAN, Ms. MENG, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. BARRETT, and Ms. BYNUM):

H. Res. 1165. A resolution congratulating the University of Michigan Wolverines men's basketball team on winning the 2026 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Championship; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mrs. LUNA:

H. Res. 1166. A resolution providing for the expulsion of Representative Eric Swalwell from the United States House of Representatives; to the Committee on Ethics.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER:

H.R. 8247.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: