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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BOST).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
April 22, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MIKE BOST to act as Speakers 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:

Make us mindful, O Lord, of Your presence in this place and in every corner of our lives. And if, in discovering You in our midst, we find ourselves apprehensive or ashamed, remind us of Your love that allows us to approach You just as we are, with all our faults and foibles. Your perfect love casts out all reason to fear You. Make us perfect in Your love.

At the same time, let us not confuse Your favor as blanket approval for anything we may be inclined to say or do. As righteous as we might think we are, may we hold on to a healthy fear of the standard of holiness by which You measure us.

In this fear may we find wisdom—a wisdom that acknowledges our utter dependence on Your grace and guidance in the time You have given us, and our responsibility for the authority You have entrusted to us.

Grant us, then, the knowledge that leads to insight, that the effectiveness of this day will be multiplied by Your counsel, and the work we set out to do would reveal Your merciful hand in our lives.

In the boldness You grant us to call on Your name, we pray.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. LUTTRELL) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. LUTTRELL 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SALINA PREGNANCY SERVICE CENTER

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

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a meaningful milestone in my hometown of Salina, Kansas: the 25th anniversary of the Salina Pregnancy Service Center.

For 25 years, this organization has served women, families, and unborn children across our community with compassion, conviction, and care. As

someone who is pro-life and who believes that life begins at conception, I am grateful for organizations like PSC that put those beliefs into action every day.

The Salina Pregnancy Service Center provides life-affirming medical care, education, and counseling. They walk alongside mothers with compassion, offering real support that meets both physical and emotional needs. Just as important, they offer hope and guidance rooted in faith, reminding every person who walks through their doors that they are not alone.

Their mission is clear. They offer the love of Christ to those facing a pregnancy decision while helping promote decisions that strengthen Kansas families.

Congratulations on 25 years of service. I look forward to seeing your continued impact in the years ahead.

### RECOGNIZING WE LOVE SPORTS FOUNDATION

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

Mr. LATIMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share the work being done by Premiere Athletes and the WE Love Sports Foundation led New Rochelle native, Lawrence Posey.

Lawrence is a former athlete and passionate community leader who understands the impact when you gather communities around the love of sports.

I have fond memories from my childhood of playing baseball and football with the other kids on the block after the streetlights came on and before my parents called me in the house. These moments taught me valuable lessons of teamwork, time management, and responsibility.

Today, these kids play games on the same streets and on the fields as I once did, learning the same valuable lessons.

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I commend Lawrence and WE Love Sports and Premiere Athletes for making it possible for every child to have the opportunity to succeed and have fun as kids should on and off the field.

#### RECOGNIZING STEELY LUMBER COMPANY

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

Mr. LUTTRELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Steely Lumber Company, a local Texas sawmill, which is celebrating their 130th anniversary next month.

Across 6,000 acres in Walker County, Kelvin Steely and his family didn't just build a business. They built a legacy. Every inch of it is rooted in hard work, producing 100 percent southern yellow pine used for decking, housing, and construction.

With the help of their 125 amazing employees, Steely Lumber now makes six times more lumber than they did in the 1990s.

Steely Lumber also prides itself on creating long-term benefit from the land for profitability, wildlife, and conservation.

These efforts have allowed them to grow not only in lumber production but also in related businesses that reduce waste.

Mr. Speaker, for 130 years, Steely Lumber Company has made our community proud. Through generations of grit, integrity, and hard work, they have set the standard for what it means to build something that lasts.

On behalf of the Eighth Congressional District, I congratulate them on their legacy and success, and I thank them for all they have done for our fellow Texans.

#### CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ARJUN KAPUR

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

Mr. DELUZIO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and memory of an incredible young man in western Pennsylvania, Arjun Kapur, who sadly passed away at the young age of 17.

Arjun was passionate about his love of country and wanted to make our country better. He had a lot of ideas about how to do that, and he acted on those.

He was an intern with my team and was part of Congressman JAMIE RASKIN's Democracy Summer program.

In just 17 years, Arjun did a lot. He attended Sewickley Academy and competed in mock trial, Model UN and EU, and he founded the Sewickley Law Review.

He worked hard, and he was an avid archer. He rode horses. He played guitar. He painted, and he traveled the world with his family.

He planned to attend The George Washington University this fall on a Presidential scholarship, no doubt well-earned.

Arjun's life was cut far too short, and yet still, he made a lasting impact on so many, including me.

He will be dearly missed by his family: his parents, Bobby and Jayne; his brother, Dylan; and so many others in western Pennsylvania and beyond.

Arjun would want all of us to keep up the fight to make this country of ours the shining city on a Hill that he dreamed it could be.

#### HONORING LIFE AND LEGACY OF TOM MOE

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

Ms. MORRISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Tom Moe, a distinguished University of Minnesota student-athlete, administrator, and community leader whose contributions left a lasting impact on generations of Minnesotans.

Tom Moe was a standout multisport athlete for the U, excelling in both football and baseball.

Following his time as a student-athlete, Mr. Moe built a successful career in law and business, becoming managing partner at Dorsey & Whitney where he helped grow the firm into one of the largest in the Nation.

He later returned to the U to serve as director of the men's athletic department where he emphasized academic excellence and helped guide the successful merger of the men's and women's programs.

His lifelong dedication to the U extended through his family, with his children and grandchildren continuing his legacy as student-athletes.

Throughout his lifetime, Moe exemplified leadership, integrity, and a deep commitment to his community. He will be remembered both for his accomplishments and for the lasting impact he made on the University of Minnesota and the many lives he touched.

On behalf of the people of Minnesota, I extend my deepest condolences to the Moe family and express our gratitude for Tom Moe's extraordinary life and legacy.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1189; and

Adoption of House Resolution 1189, if ordered.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of the rule XX, the remain-

ing electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4690, RELIABLE FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. 1182, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES AS STEWARDS OF THE ENVIRONMENT, MAJOR SUPPLIERS OF UNITED STATES ENERGY RESOURCES, CRITICAL PROVIDERS OF FOOD PRODUCTION AND MANUFACTURING CAPACITY, AND DRIVERS OF NATIONAL ECONOMIC STABILITY, AND RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE 119TH CONGRESS IN SUPPORT OF THOSE VITAL COMMUNITIES; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1897, ESA AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2025; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5587, HARNESSING ENERGY AT THERMAL SOURCES ACT OF 2026

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 1189) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4690) to amend the Energy Conservation and Production Act to repeal certain Federal building energy efficiency performance standards, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 1182) expressing support for rural communities across the United States as stewards of the environment, major suppliers of United States energy resources, critical providers of food production and manufacturing capacity, and drivers of national economic stability, and recognizing the work of the House of Representatives in the 119th Congress in support of those vital communities; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1897) to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to optimize conservation through resource prioritization, incentivize wildlife conservation on private lands, provide for greater incentives to recover listed species, create greater transparency and accountability in recovering listed species, streamline the permitting process, eliminate barriers to conservation, and restore congressional intent; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5587) to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to waive the requirement for a Federal drilling permit for certain activities, to exempt certain activities from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.