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The House met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GOLDMAN of Texas).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

July 6, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CRAIG A. GOLDMAN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Daniel B. Carson, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Holy and gracious Lord, You are the fullness of light and peace, and You have made each of us for good and freedom.

We praise You for Your glory and all Your abundant gifts. As a Nation, as we embark on our 250th year, we look to You for Your guidance and divine providence.

Be our shepherd and strength, we beseech You.

Send forth the grace of Your wisdom and justice to shine in all the proceedings of our government so that they may tend to the promotion of a good and just society in the blessings of equal liberty.

Help us live up to this Nation's highest principles that we might be agents of hope and goodness.

We ask this in Your holy name, O Lord.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, 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 clause 13 of rule I, the House stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 9, 2026.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 3 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-3981. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting proposed legislation to modify the Department's Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration's deadline to submit to Congress its annual Selected Acquisition Reports on each new nuclear weapon system program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3982. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's 2025 Report to Congress on the Defense Production Act, Title III; to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3983. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a statement with respect to transactions involving EXIM financing under the Make More in America program, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3); July 31, 1945, ch. 341, Sec. 2 (as added by Public Law 102-266, Sec. 102); (106 Stat. 95); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3984. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter informing congress of military action commenced on June 26, 2026 and June 28, 2026, taken consistent with the War Powers

Resolution, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543(c); Public Law 93-148, Sec. 4(c); (87 Stat. 555) (H. Doc. 119-167); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3985. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT 23-0X, pursuant to Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3986. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-62, pursuant to Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3987. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-56, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3988. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT 26-67, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3989. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Notification Number: RSAT Case 26-11529 pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3990. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Determination and Certification Relating to the Largest Exporting and Importing Countries of Certain Precursor Chemicals from the Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-3991. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the changes that occurred as of June 11, 2026, and additional report on Departures of Chiefs of Mission that occurred as of June 11, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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

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EC-3992. A letter from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, transmitting the 2025 management report of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3993. A letter from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas, transmitting the 2025 management report and financial statements, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3994. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, transmitting the 2025 management report of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines including financial statements, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3995. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Affairs, Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, transmitting the 2025 management report and financial statements, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3996. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting the 2025 management report and financial statements of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3997. A letter from the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco, transmitting the 2025 management report of the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco including financial statements, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3998. A letter from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, transmitting the 2025 management report and financial statements of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106(a)(1); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-576, Sec. 306(a)); (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-3999. A letter from the Acting Chief, Ethics, Transparency and Integrity Branch, United States Office of Government Ethics, transmitting a notification of a designation of acting officer and a nomination, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

EC-4000. A letter from the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, transmitting a notification that the Department has determined not to file a petition for a writ of certiorari in *Intuit, Inc. v. Federal Trade Commission*, No. 24-60040 (5th Cir.), pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 530D(a)(1); Public Law 107-273, Sec. 202(a); (116 Stat. 1771); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4001. A letter from the Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department

Notification Number: RSAT 26-57, pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. JORDAN: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 8481. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the issuance of natural lifetime injunctions for certain victims; with an amendment (Rept. 119-731). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JORDAN: Committee on the Judiciary. House Joint Resolution 1. Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that the Supreme Court of the United States be composed of nine justices (Rept. 119-732). 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 Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. TLAI, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. MCIVER, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. FROST, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 9591. A bill to improve response to, and preparation for, extreme temperatures, in Federal correctional facilities; to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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 Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina (for herself and Mr. BERA):

H.R. 9592. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to take certain actions to counter and reduce threats to the space security of the United States, to require the Secretary of State to provide certain consultations to Congress on the space security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 9593. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prohibit the introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of food packaging containing intentionally added PFAS, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Ms. FRIEDMAN):

H.R. 9594. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ban the use of intentionally added perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances in cosmetics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HERNÁNDEZ (for himself and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 9595. A bill to authorize the President to posthumously award the Medal of Honor to Sergeant First Class Jorge Otero Barret for acts of valor as a member of the Army during the Vietnam War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY (for himself, Mr. MACKENZIE, Ms. BYNUM, Mr. MCGUIRE, Mr. DOWNING, Mr.

WALKINSHAW, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. FIGURES):

H.R. 9596. A bill to remove educational barriers to Federal employment for workers who are skilled through alternative routes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 9597. A bill to designate the Civil War Defenses of Washington National Historical Park comprised of certain National Park System lands, and by affiliation and cooperative agreements other historically significant resources, located in the District of Columbia, Virginia, and Maryland, that were part of the Civil War defenses of Washington and related to the Shenandoah Valley Campaign of 1864, to study ways in which the Civil War history of both the North and South can be assembled, arrayed, and conveyed for the benefit of the public, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 9598. A bill to prohibit the use of Federal, State, foreign, or private funds to install permanent fencing around Lafayette Square; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Ms. BARRAGÁN):

H.R. 9599. A bill to strengthen the 340B drug discount program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and 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. RASKIN (for himself and Mrs. SPARTZ):

H.R. 9600. A bill to approve the location of a commemorative work for Thomas Paine, America's indispensable and unsung Founding Father; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. TENNEY:

H.R. 9601. A bill to direct the United States Trade Representative to initiate investigations to determine whether foreign countries, including Canada, have ceased importation and distribution of alcoholic beverage exports of the United States in a manner that is actionable under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. WAGNER:

H. Res. 1419. A resolution celebrating the 200th anniversary of Jefferson Barracks in Missouri and recognizing its contributions to the military history and national security of the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. WILLIAMS of Georgia (for herself, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mrs. SYKES, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, and Ms. ADAMS):

H. Res. 1420. A resolution honoring the 31st International President and CEO of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Danette Anthony Reed; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

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