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The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FULCHER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

July 27, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RUSS FULCHER 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:

God, our creator, we are humbled by Your power. You need only a mustard seed to grow a tree large enough to attract and feed the many birds of the air. From such small beginnings, You reveal the potential of even the most unlikely things.

Lord, we call on You to use us in that same way. Help us to see how, when we allow ourselves to be used by You, You can use even our most minute efforts to effect something great for Your kingdom's purpose. Show us how, like leaven, when we yield ourselves to Your purpose, we can be used as agents of transformation in our communities.

Plant Your word in our hearts. Touch our lives with Your love, that they would take root and change our lives. May we grow in wisdom and faith, revealing the grace plan You have always intended for us and for Your creation.

In Your strong name, we pray.
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 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2026.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, July 30, 2026, at 8:30 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-4217. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Interim Report on the Cooling Off Period in the Federal Independent Dispute Resolution Process, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 300gg-111(c)(5)(E)(iv); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXVII, Sec. 2799A-1 (as amended by Public Law 116-260, Sec. 103(a)(2)); (134 Stat. 2804); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-4218. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Architect of the Capitol, transmitting the semiannual report of disbursements for the operations of the Architect of the Capitol for the period of January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 1868a(a); Public Law 113-76, div. I, title I, Sec. 1301(a); (128 Stat. 428) (H. Doc. No. 119-178); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

EC-4219. A letter from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting the annual report to Congress concerning intercepted wire, oral,

or electronic communications, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 2519(3); Public Law 90-351, Sec. 802 (as amended by Public Law 111-174, Sec. 6(3)); (124 Stat. 1217); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4220. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Rescinding Portions of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Title VI Regulations To Align With the Statutory Text and Conform to Executive Order 14281 (RIN: 0945-AA29) received July 27, 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.

EC-4221. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a notice of the reasons of actions taken to adjust imports of commercial aircraft, jet engines, and their associated parts so that such imports will not threaten to impair the national security of the United States, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1862(c)(2); Public Law 87-794, Sec. 232 (as amended by Public Law 100-418, Sec. 1501(a)(3)); (102 Stat. 1258) (H. Doc. No. 119-176); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

EC-4222. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification to Congress that the President has designated Brett Doyle as Chair of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring June 16, 2028, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1330(c)(1); June 17, 1930, ch. 497, Sec. 330(c)(1) (as amended by Public Law 95-106, Sec. 2(a)); (91 Stat. 867) (H. Doc. No. 119-177); to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

EC-4223. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Child Welfare Outcomes 2023: Report to Congress, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 679b(a)(5); Public Law 105-89, Sec. 203(a); (111 Stat. 2127); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

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

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H5201

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9947. A bill to provide whistleblower protections to certain workers in the offshore oil and gas industry; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Ms. BALINT (for herself, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 9948. A bill to direct the President to establish an interagency task force to review, and provide recommendations on, the impact of addictive design features on youth mental health, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish grant programs to support the activities of the task force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. BARRETT:

H.R. 9949. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a study on the impacts of arsenic, cadmium, mercury, and lead in infant formula on infant health and establish standards for regulating the content of such substances in infant formula; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9950. A bill to provide healthy food options in military commissaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9951. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to require schools participating in the school lunch program or school breakfast program to publish information on any menu item or food offered or served in a lunch or breakfast, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. BARRETT (for himself and Ms. SCHRIER):

H.R. 9952. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to encourage local educational agencies to provide students with at least one hour of physical activity time during each school day, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. BEGICH:

H.R. 9953. A bill to reduce trawl gear impacts on bycatch and seafloor habitat in the Bering Sea, Aleutian Islands, and Gulf of Alaska, to establish gear performance standards, seafloor contact detection, and salmon excluder requirements, to improve Council transparency and participation, to prioritize ecosystem analyses, to modernize electronic monitoring, to prohibit unsustainable foreign seafood imports, and to establish a Bycatch Mitigation and Habitat Protection Assistance Fund; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. DELUZIO:

H.R. 9954. A bill to establish the Manufacturing Sovereign Wealth Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mr. DELUZIO:

H.R. 9955. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide opportunities for students at institutions of higher education to study trades, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mrs. FOUSHEE:

H.R. 9956. A bill to require the Secretary of Education to issue guidance regarding sei-

zure safety in elementary schools and secondary schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mrs. HAYES (for herself and Mr. KENNEDY of Utah):

H.R. 9957. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for comprehensive student achievement information; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mrs. HAYES (for herself, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LANDSMAN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. THANEDAR, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Ms. SIMON, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. DELUZIO, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mrs. GRIJALVA, and Mr. HERNANDEZ):

H.R. 9958. A bill to amend the Head Start Act to expand and improve participation in Head Start programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. FOUSHEE, Mr. QUIGLEY, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. SIMON, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. POCAN):

H.R. 9959. A bill to establish a Green New Deal for public schools; to the Committee on Education and Workforce, 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 Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE (for herself and Mrs. HOUGHIN):

H.R. 9960. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to improve the financial aid process for homeless and foster care youth; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. KHANNA (for himself and Mrs. LUNA):

H.R. 9961. A bill to prohibit the use of campaign contributions or legal defense funds to pay settlements or penalties related to sexual assault, sexual abuse, and sexual harassment claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. KHANNA (for himself, Mr. FROST, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. NORTON, Mr. THANEDAR, Ms. CLARKE of New York, and Ms. OMAR):

H.R. 9962. A bill to establish a Green New Deal for Health to prepare and empower the health care sector to protect the health and well-being of our workers, our communities, and our planet in the face of the climate crisis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Science, Space, and Technology, 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. KIM (for herself and Mr. BERRA):

H.R. 9963. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to coordinate and engage with allies and partners of the United States to detect, attribute, and disrupt certain activities of North Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 9964. A bill to amend the War Powers Resolution to provide for the limitation on Federal funding in contravention of the requirements of the War Powers Resolution; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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 Ms. MALOY (for herself and Ms. JACOBS):

H.R. 9965. A bill to direct the National Nuclear Security Administration through the Secretary of Energy to establish the Advanced Artificial Intelligence Nuclear Evaluation Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. NEGUSE (for himself and Mr. BACON):

H.R. 9966. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to clarify certain requirements relating to the Nonprofit Security Grant Program of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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. NORTON:

H.R. 9967. A bill to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to provide enhanced enforcement authority for occupational safety and health protections applicable to the legislative branch, to provide whistleblower protections and other anti-discrimination protections for employees of the legislative branch, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Workforce, and the Judiciary, 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. OGLES (for himself and Ms. BROWN):

H.R. 9968. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to submit to Congress a report on barriers to participation in Department of Agriculture programs faced by certified organic farms and farms that may be interested in transitioning to organic production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. PAPPAS (for himself and Ms. DELAURO):

H.R. 9969. A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to conduct an investigation and submit to Congress a report on unfair or deceptive acts or practices that may be prevalent in the advertising or marketing of preterm infant formula and to issue regulations to prohibit unfair or deceptive acts or practices related to the advertising or marketing of preterm infant formula, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Ms. TOKUDA, Ms. VAN DUYN, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Ms. TENNEY, and Ms. SEWELL):

H.R. 9970. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure appropriate payments for ambulance services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. ROSS (for herself, Mrs. FOUSHEE, and Mr. PANETTA):

H.R. 9971. A bill to reauthorize title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to improve and encourage innovation in international education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. SESSIONS:

H.R. 9972. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to adjust payment for skin substitute products under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. STANSBURY:

H.R. 9973. A bill to improve the Indian School Equalization Formula and Indian School Equalization Program of the Bureau of Indian Education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, and Ms. BUDZINSKI):

H.R. 9974. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to include certain individuals who work on farms or ranches as individuals who are employed in public service jobs for purposes of eligibility for loan forgiveness under the Federal Direct Loan program; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. TONKO (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

H.R. 9975. A bill to require the Secretary of Energy to remove carbon dioxide directly from ambient air or seawater, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. VALADAO (for himself and Ms. SALINAS):

H.R. 9976. A bill to amend the Plant Protection Act to establish a fund for spotted wing drosophila research and mitigation; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CARBAJAL (for himself, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. PANNETTA, and Mr. HURD of Colorado):

H. Res. 1459. A resolution expressing support for the designation of July 2026 as "American Grown Flower and Foliage Month"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida (for herself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. CASE, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Ms. LEE of Nevada, Ms. MENG, Mr. MOYLAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. TITUS, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Mr. WITTMAN):

H. Res. 1460. A resolution acknowledging the courage and sacrifice of veterans of the Korean War and Korean Defense Veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GREEN of Texas:

H. Res. 1461. A resolution the Original Resolution honoring the life, public service, and legacy of the Honorable Congressman Craig Anthony Washington, a distinguished legislator, superior attorney, civil rights advocate, and champion for justice; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. MACKENZIE (for himself, Mr. VINDMAN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Ms. TITUS, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. LAWLER):

H. Res. 1462. A resolution recognizing the historic significance of Medicare on the 61st anniversary of its enactment; 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 Ms. MCCOLLUM (for herself, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. CARSON, Mr. COHEN, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOYER, Mr. JOHNSON of

Georgia, Mr. KENNEDY of New York, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. MENEFFEE, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. NORTON, Ms. RANDALL, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SIMON, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TLAIB, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H. Res. 1463. A resolution expressing support for July to be designated as "Disability Pride Month"; to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

By Mr. THANEDAR:

H. Res. 1464. A resolution celebrating the opening of the Gordie Howe International Bridge and the friendship between the United States and Canada; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 9947.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. BALINT:

H.R. 9948.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9949.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9950.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9951.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BARRETT:

H.R. 9952.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BEGICH:

H.R. 9953.

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

Article Section 8.

By Mr. DELUZIO:

H.R. 9954.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. DELUZIO:

H.R. 9955.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mrs. FOUSHEE:

H.R. 9956.

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

Article I, US Constitution

By Mrs. HAYES:

H.R. 9957.

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

Pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, Congress may regulate commerce with foreign nations, among states, and with the Indian tribes.

By Mrs. HAYES:

H.R. 9958.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, Congress may collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States.

By Ms. JAYAPAL:

H.R. 9959.

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

"This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States."

By Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE:

H.R. 9960.

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

Pursuant to clause 7 of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statement is submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill.

This bill is introduced pursuant to the powers granted to Congress under the General Welfare Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 1), the Commerce Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 3), and the Necessary and Proper Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 18). Further this statement of constitutional authority is made for the sole purpose of compliance with clause 7 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and shall have no bearing on judicial review of the accompanying bill.

By Mr. KHANNA:

H.R. 9961.

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

Article I, Section 4

By Mr. KHANNA:

H.R. 9962.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mrs. KIM:

H.R. 9963.

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

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 9964.

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

Article I

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 9965.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 9966.

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

U.S. Const., art. I, sec. 8.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 9967.

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

clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. OGLES:

H.R. 9968.

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

Article I, Section VIII

By Mr. PAPPAS:

H.R. 9969.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. PFLUGER:

H.R. 9970.