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House of Representatives

The House met at 3:30 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WALBERG).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 10, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable TIM WALBERG to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Rev. John Kellogg, Christ Church Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

We give You thanks, good and gracious God, for the blessings of this day and for the privilege of caring for this Nation that we call home. Watch over and protect our Representatives in Congress, who have been entrusted with serving our country and her people. Bless their families and staffs and all who labor in this Capitol. Sustain them in their work, keep them mindful of those they serve, and hold us ever in Your loving care.

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 Repub-

lic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING THE TERRORIST ATTACKS LAUNCHED AGAINST THE UNITED STATES ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, ON THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THAT DATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair lays before the House the following resolution (H. Res. 1520) expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001, on the 25th anniversary of that date.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

There was no objection.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1520

Whereas, on September 11, 2001, while Americans were attending to their daily routines, terrorists hijacked four civilian aircraft, crashing two of them into the towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, a third into the Pentagon near Washington, DC, and a fourth was prevented from also being used as a weapon against America by brave passengers who placed their country above their own lives;

Whereas thousands of innocent Americans were killed and injured as a result of these attacks, including the passengers and crew of the four aircraft, workers in the World Trade Center and in the Pentagon, rescue workers, and bystanders;

Whereas the crewmembers of United Flight 175, American Flight 11, American Flight 77, and United Flight 93 acted as first responders, reporting the first intelligence of a war the United States did not know it was fighting and sacrificing their own lives to protect the United States and the lives of countless others;

Whereas 25 years later the country continues to, and shall forever, mourn their tragic loss and honor their memory;

Whereas these attacks destroyed both towers of the World Trade Center, as well as ad-

jacent buildings, and seriously damaged the Pentagon;

Whereas these attacks were by far the deadliest terrorist attacks ever launched against the United States, and, by targeting symbols of American strength and success, were intended to assail the principles, values, and freedoms of the United States and the American people, intimidate our Nation, and weaken its resolve;

Whereas memorials have been constructed to honor the victims of these attacks at the Pentagon, in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and on the World Trade Center grounds, so that Americans and people from around the world can visit to mourn those lost and to pay tribute to the heroic action and sacrifice of those who have served our communities and our country in the years since the attacks;

Whereas 25 years after September 11, 2001, the United States continues to fight terrorists and other extremists who threaten America and her friends and allies;

Whereas successive Congresses and administrations have assisted victims of terrorism, protected our Nation, combated terrorism at home and abroad, and supported the members of the Armed Forces who courageously defend the United States;

Whereas by the tireless efforts of our intelligence, military, and law enforcement professionals, the United States has been able to significantly degrade the al Qaida network, by taking into custody or killing senior al Qaida leaders, operational managers, and key facilitators, and owes a debt of gratitude to the focused and persistent efforts of all those personnel involved in the removal of Osama bin Laden;

Whereas the terrorist attacks that have occurred around the world since September 11, 2001, remind us of the hateful inhumanity of terrorism and the ongoing threat it poses to freedom, justice, and the rule of law;

Whereas United States law enforcement and intelligence agencies and allies of the United States around the world have worked together to detect and disrupt terrorist networks and numerous terror plots since September 11, 2001;

Whereas the Nation is indebted to the brave military, intelligence, law enforcement, and civilian personnel serving around the world in advancement of United States national interests;

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

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Whereas thousands of families have lost loved ones in the defense of freedom and liberty against the tyranny of terror; and

Whereas the passage of 25 years has not diminished the pain caused by the senseless loss of nearly 3,000 persons killed on September 11, 2001: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes September 11 as a day of solemn commemoration;

(2) extends again its deepest sympathies to the thousands of innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and to their families, friends, and loved ones;

(3) honors the heroism and the sacrifices of United States military and civilian personnel and their families who have sacrificed much, including their lives and health, in defense of their country;

(4) credits the heroism of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and others who aided the victims of these attacks and, in so doing, bravely risked their own lives and long-term health;

(5) expresses thanks and gratitude to the foreign leaders and citizens of all nations who have assisted and continue to stand in solidarity with the United States against terrorism in the aftermath of the attacks on September 11, 2001, and asks them to continue to stand with the United States against international terrorism;

(6) commends the military and intelligence personnel involved in the removal of Osama bin Laden;

(7) reasserts its commitment to opposing violent extremism arrayed against American interests and to providing the United States military, intelligence, and law enforcement communities with the resources and support to do so effectively and safely;

(8) vows that it will continue to identify, intercept, and disrupt terrorists and their activities;

(9) reaffirms that the American people will never forget the sacrifices made on September 11, 2001, and will never bow to terrorist demands; and

(10) declares that when Congress adjourns today, it stands adjourned out of respect to the victims of the terrorist attacks.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1051. An act to establish the Historic Greenwood District—Black Wall Street National Monument in the State of Oklahoma, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

S. 1377. An act to ensure the maintenance of a herd of horses in Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk of the House, reported that on September 2, 2026, the following bill was presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.R. 6500. To extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I and H. Res. 1520, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday next for morning-hour debate, and 2 p.m. for legislative business, as a further mark of respect for the victims of the terrorist attack.

Thereupon (at 3 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, September 14, 2026, at noon for morning hour debate as a further mark of respect for the victims of the terrorist attack.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the second quarter of 2026 pursuant to Public Law 95–384, is as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, LEAH HAN, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 26 AND AUG. 2, 2026

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Leah Han	7/26	7/29	Chile		1,036.03		14,313.53				15,349.56
	7/29	8/2	Argentina		1,492.95		See above				1,492.95
Committee Total											16,842.51

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON, Sept. 4, 2026.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO ARGENTINA AND CHILE, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 5 AND JULY 11, 2026

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Chris Bien	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Andrew Keyes	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Yvette Wissman	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Lori Ismail	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Nolan Ahern	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Justin Oh	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Steve Waskiewicz	7/5	7/8	Argentina		1,050.00		7,251.00				8,301.00
Chris Bien	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,395.63				11,403.63
Andrew Keyes	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,395.63				11,403.63
Yvette Wissman	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,178.73				11,186.73
Lori Ismail	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,395.63				11,403.63
Nolan Ahern	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,178.73				11,186.73
Justin Oh	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,178.73				11,186.73
Steve Waskiewicz	7/8	7/11	Chile		1,008.00		10,178.73				11,186.73
Committee total											137,064.81

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON, Aug. 17, 2026.