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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 (Ms. WEXTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 19, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JENNIFER WEXTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Erin Keys, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we ask Your blessing upon the leaders of our country and upon the citizens they serve. We pray that You would be at work in all of us on behalf of peace, mercy and justice, and that we would heed Your calling to love all people as You love us.

May a spirit of grace fill us, so that all we do we do in service to the great good at work in our world.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 131, 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 15, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 15, 2019, at 11:26 a.m.:

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 1.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

A concurrent resolution of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 1. Concurrent Resolution calling for credible, transparent, and safe elections in Nigeria, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 131, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 34 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, February 22, 2019, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

212. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Connecticut; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Revisions to the Prevention of Significant Deterioration Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority [EPA-R01-OAR-2018-0212; FRL-9984-75-Region 1] received February 14, 2019, 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.

213. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Queen Mary Fireworks Event; Long Beach, California [Docket No.: USCG-2018-1079] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received February 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

214. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Markers 99.3 to 100.3 Above Head of Passes, New Orleans, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2018-1108] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received February 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

215. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace for the Following Alaska Towns; St. Michael, AK; Shaktoolik, AK; and Tatitlek, AK [Docket No.: FAA-2017-0349; Airspace Docket No.: 17-AAL-5] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

216. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2019-0015; Product Identifier

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2018-NM-179-AD; Amendment 39-19550; AD 2019-02-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

217. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31229; Amdt. No.: 3831] received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

218. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31230; Amdt. No.: 3832] received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

219. A letter from the Program Analyst, NHTSA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Transfer and Sanction Programs [Docket No.: NHTSA-2016-0099] (RIN: 2127-AL45) received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

220. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31237; Amdt. No.: 544] received February 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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. COURTNEY (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. DESAULNIER, Ms. WILD, Ms. OMAR, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HIMES, Mr. POCAN, Ms. SCHKOWSKY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. SRES, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Ms. HAALAND):

H.R. 1309. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to issue an occupational safety and health standard that requires covered employers within the health care and social service industries to develop and implement a comprehensive workplace violence prevention plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, 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 Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, and Mrs. WAGNER):

H.R. 1310. A bill to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 to include the rural development voucher program as a covered housing program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana (for himself and Ms. PLASKETT):

H.R. 1311. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to ensure that unmet needs after a major disaster are met; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mrs. TORRES of California, Mr. SOTO, Mr. MULLIN, and Mr. CÁRDENAS):

H.R. 1312. A bill to recognize tribal cooperation in the environmental review of proposed actions affecting the revised Yurok Reservation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. KING of New York:

H.R. 1313. A bill to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to clarify certain allowable uses of funds for public transportation security assistance grants and establish periods of performance for such grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. YOUNG (for himself and Ms. BONAMICI):

H.R. 1314. A bill to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Ms. CASTOR of Florida (for herself, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. GIANFORTE, Mr. MCEachin, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. GRAVES of Georgia, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. BABIN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. COMER, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. BOST, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. COLE, Mr. KEATING, Mr. FLORES, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. RYAN, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. TURNER, Mr. OLSON, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. HILL of Arkansas, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. UPTON, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. WALKER, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. RUSH, Mr. KILMER, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. KIND, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. LATTI, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mr. BUDD, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LONG, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. EMMER, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. POSEY, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. WALDEN, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. NUNES, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. DAVIDSON of Ohio, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. DUFFY, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Ms. FOXX of North Carolina, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. BRENDAN

F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. DUNN, Mr. COOK, Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. STIVERS, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. LUTKEMEYER, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. COURTNEY, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. BANKS, Mr. GALLAGHER, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, and Mrs. WAGNER):

H. Con. Res. 20. Concurrent resolution supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HASTINGS (for himself, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. WOODALL, and Mr. ENGEL):

H. Res. 138. A resolution expressing support for addressing the Arab-Israeli conflict in a concurrent track with the Israeli-Palestinian peace process and commending Arab and Muslim-majority states that have improved bilateral relations with Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. MENG (for herself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. HAALAND):

H. Res. 139. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of International Mother Language Day in bringing attention to the importance of preserving linguistic and cultural heritage through education; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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. COURTNEY:

H.R. 1309.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1, section 8.

By Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas:

H.R. 1310.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 5 of the U.S. Constitution; and Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana:

H.R. 1311.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically Clause 1 (relating to providing for the common defense and general welfare of the United States) and Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress).

By Mr. HUFFMAN:

H.R. 1312.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. KING of New York:

H.R. 1313.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. YOUNG:

H.R. 1314.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

"The Congress shall have power to . . . regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes"

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 8: Mr. CUNNINGHAM.
 H.R. 94: Ms. PRESSLEY and Mr. HIMES.
 H.R. 125: Ms. SEWELL of Alabama.
 H.R. 126: Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. HIMES, Mr. LOWENTHAL, and Mr. CARSON of Indiana.
 H.R. 273: Mrs. DAVIS of California.
 H.R. 276: Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. SIMPSON, and Mr. BACON.
 H.R. 303: Mr. CARTER of Georgia and Mr. EMMER.
 H.R. 372: Ms. LOFGREN.
 H.R. 479: Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. SCALISE, and Mr. LAMALFA.
 H.R. 511: Ms. PORTER.
 H.R. 512: Mrs. FLETCHER.
 H.R. 530: Mr. HUFFMAN.
 H.R. 540: Ms. BARRAGÁN.
 H.R. 592: Mrs. LURIA and Mr. HASTINGS.
 H.R. 598: Mr. CHABOT.
 H.R. 603: Mr. ROY.
 H.R. 616: Mr. TIMMONS and Mr. CARTER of Georgia.
 H.R. 641: Mr. HUFFMAN.
 H.R. 643: Ms. BROWNLEY of California.
 H.R. 647: Mr. KHANNA.
 H.R. 649: Mr. KIND and Mr. RASKIN.
 H.R. 677: Ms. JACKSON LEE.
 H.R. 692: Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. EMMER, and Mr. ZELDIN.
 H.R. 714: Mr. ROY, Mr. WRIGHT, and Mr. ARRINGTON.
 H.R. 720: Ms. BROWNLEY of California.
 H.R. 748: Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. WILD, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. WRIGHT, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mr. BACON.
 H.R. 780: Ms. LOFGREN.
 H.R. 796: Mr. CARTER of Georgia.
 H.R. 806: Mr. SAN NICOLAS and Mrs. DAVIS of California.
 H.R. 824: Mr. GOLDEN, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. TITUS, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. LUJÁN, Ms. WILD, Mr.

RASKIN, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. ROUDA, Ms. MENG, Ms. HILL of California, Ms. OMAR, and Mr. ESPAILLAT.
 H.R. 865: Mr. SIRES, Mr. KIM, and Mr. COX of California.
 H.R. 868: Ms. HILL of California.
 H.R. 934: Mrs. LURIA.
 H.R. 935: Mr. RYAN, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, and Mr. CONNOLLY.
 H.R. 939: Mr. RASKIN, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. MORELLE.
 H.R. 949: Mr. GUEST and Mr. GRIFFITH.
 H.R. 953: Mr. CLAY.
 H.R. 956: Mr. CARTER of Georgia.
 H.R. 979: Mr. PALMER and Mr. FLORES.
 H.R. 983: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. HARDER of California, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, and Mr. HASTINGS.
 H.R. 1003: Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. CLAY, and Mr. JEFFRIES.
 H.R. 1019: Mr. PALMER, Mr. KIND, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. MOOLENAAR, and Mr. BRINDISI.
 H.R. 1030: Mr. GALLEGGO and Mr. CRIST.
 H.R. 1042: Mr. MOULTON, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. VARGAS.
 H.R. 1044: Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. LAMB, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. PETERS, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. KILMER.
 H.R. 1054: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.
 H.R. 1058: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. DEUTCH.
 H.R. 1059: Mr. WRIGHT.
 H.R. 1140: Mrs. LURIA, Ms. WILD, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. BEATTY, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.
 H.R. 1152: Mr. QUIGLEY.
 H.R. 1155: Mr. RIGGLEMAN, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, and Mrs. LEE of Nevada.
 H.R. 1176: Ms. HAALAND.
 H.R. 1178: Mr. MEADOWS and Mr. WRIGHT.
 H.R. 1193: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.
 H.R. 1205: Mr. GOTTHEIMER and Mr. CASE.
 H.R. 1214: Mr. VARGAS and Mr. GALLEGGO.
 H.R. 1219: Mr. RICE of South Carolina.
 H.R. 1223: Mr. TRONE, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 1225: Mr. EVANS, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Ms. SCHRIER, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.
 H.R. 1227: Mr. DAVID P. ROE of Tennessee.
 H.R. 1231: Ms. WILD and Ms. MENG.
 H.R. 1237: Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. KILMER.
 H.R. 1244: Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ and Mr. MORELLE.
 H.R. 1255: Mr. FITZPATRICK.
 H.R. 1256: Mr. FITZPATRICK.
 H.R. 1268: Mr. COSTA.
 H.R. 1270: Mr. LIPINSKI.
 H.R. 1298: Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.
 H.R. 1301: Mr. REED.
 H.J. Res. 2: Mrs. BUSTOS and Mr. CUMMINGS.
 H.J. Res. 20: Mr. GREEN of Tennessee and Mr. ROY.
 H.J. Res. 44: Mr. KHANNA.
 H. Res. 33: Ms. CLARKE of New York and Mr. DELGADO.
 H. Res. 39: Mr. TURNER.
 H. Res. 54: Mr. EMMER, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, and Mrs. LEE of Nevada.
 H. Res. 60: Mrs. BUSTOS and Mrs. LEE of Nevada.
 H. Res. 75: Mr. RASKIN.
 H. Res. 100: Mr. JORDAN and Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio.
 H. Res. 106: Ms. OMAR.
 H. Res. 114: Mr. LYNCH, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, and Mr. LIPINSKI.
 H. Res. 124: Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. COSTA, Ms. ESCOBAR, and Ms. SHERRILL.
 H. Res. 129: Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. MOORE, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. RASKIN.



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Senate

The Senate met at 10 and 1 second a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TOM COTTON, a Senator from the State of Arkansas.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The senior assistant bill clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, February 19, 2019.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TOM COTTON, a Senator from the State of Arkansas, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. COTTON thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 21, 2019, AT 10 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 21, 2019.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 25 seconds a.m., adjourned until Thursday, February 21, 2019, at 10 a.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING DR. STANLEY J.
DUDRICK

HON. DANIEL MEUSER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise today to recognize Dr. Stanley J. Dudrick and his many contributions to the field of medical science and to his home community in Northeast Pennsylvania.

Dr. Dudrick grew up in Nanticoke, a small Pennsylvania coal mining town, and through hard work and dedication, grew to become a prominent figure in the medical profession. His research led to the development of a technique that revolutionized patient care—the practice of total parenteral nutrition (TPN). TPN allows individuals who are unable to obtain adequate nutrition through the digestive tract to receive much-needed nutrition intravenously. The TPN method has helped save an estimated 10 million children and has been acknowledged as one of the most important advancements in surgery of the past century.

Dr. Dudrick's contributions to the medical profession extend beyond his pioneering research. He has published over 700 works related to the care and management of surgical patients and has authored or co-authored over 2,500 scientific referenced citations—the most for any general surgeon. In addition to serving the residents of Pennsylvania's Ninth Congressional District as the medical director of the physician assistant program at Misericordia University and professor of surgery at The Commonwealth Medical College, Dr. Dudrick is chairman emeritus in the Department of Surgery and director emeritus of Program in Surgery at Saint Mary's Hospital, and professor emeritus of surgery at the Yale University School of Medicine.

Advancements in medical research have allowed us to make important strides in increasing the quality of life for individuals who suffer from a variety of medical conditions, finding more effective and less invasive treatments, and most importantly, saving more lives. Dr. Dudrick is a pioneer in this regard, and his ingenuity, scientific prowess, and dedication to the human condition has made him a fixture in the medical community.

Dr. Dudrick, through his creative thinking and ground-breaking invention, has improved the health of millions around the world and contributed to the survival of countless more. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing and thanking Dr. Dudrick for his many contributions to the medical community.

RECOGNIZING GARY NEAL

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my good friend, Gary Neal, for his many years of hard work and dedicated service to the Port of Morrow, Morrow County, and Eastern Oregon. Gary has served as Port Manager for nearly 30 years, and I would like to pay tribute to his leadership in the region.

After five years as the Manager at the Port of Clarkston, Gary was hired in 1989 to manage the Port of Morrow. Since that time, and thanks to Gary's leadership, the Port has grown to be the second largest Port in the state of Oregon.

The Port now houses facilities for everything from value-added agriculture processing to high tech data centers. It serves the area as an economic powerhouse. In 2017 alone, the Port generated \$2.7 billion of economic output and created nearly 8,500 jobs either directly or indirectly. From 2008 to 2013, the second worst economic downturn this country has experienced, the Port grew by 88 percent. All of this was driven by Gary's visionary leadership of the Port.

Despite the multitude of successes, Gary is humble about these achievements. While all the above mentioned statements are fact, Gary often refuses credit, and instead points to his commissioners and the community when explaining the success of the Port.

This focus on community is also evident in the Port's countless efforts to support community development projects. Whether it is parks, schools, or athletic facilities, the Port never hesitates to contribute to the growth of the community.

In addition to his commitment to the Port, Gary has served the community in many other ways. He currently serves on the board for The Bank of Eastern Oregon; Pacific Northwest Waterways Association; is past president of the Oregon Public Ports Association; served on the Infrastructure Finance Authority Board for the State of Oregon for eight years, and is an active committee member with several other groups.

This breadth of experience and involvement has made Gary a great asset to me on a variety of issues affecting the Port and the surrounding area. On everything from issues with the Navy's Boardman Bombing Range and the Army's Umatilla Chemical Depot, to river transportation and renewable energy, I've leaned upon Gary's experience and ideas as we navigated toward solutions.

As Gary begins his well-earned retirement, I know he is looking forward to spending time with his family. Gary and his wife Kathy have been married for 45 years and have two children. Their daughter Rochelle is married and works for Nike. Their son Ryan is taking over as the Manager of the Port of Morrow. The apple didn't fall far from the tree.

Congratulations to my good friend Gary Neal on a much respected and successful career. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing him well as he pursues his next adventure.

CONGRATULATING THE ROCK ENERGY COOPERATIVE ON 83-YEARS OF SERVICE TO ITS MEMBERS

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Rock Energy Cooperative for celebrating 83 years of service. Since they were founded, they have only continued to grow and expand their services.

The Rock Energy Cooperative's articles of incorporation were first filed in 1936 and has been bringing electricity to homes across our region ever since. Starting out with 199 members, it has since expanded to draw in thousands of members. In 2007, Rock Energy Cooperative expanded their operations to Illinois when they acquired South Beloit Water, Gas & Electric from Alliant Energy. Following this addition to their service, the membership increased by ten thousand and now reached across two states, Wisconsin and Illinois. However, electricity is not the only service they deliver as they also provide natural gas to people across Illinois. Throughout all of their years of service and powering homes across our region, they have consistently met their member's needs, especially those living in rural areas.

It is because of businesses such as the Rock Energy Cooperative that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate the Rock Energy Cooperative on its 83 years of service to the community.

RECOGNIZING SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF ELGIN

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Second Baptist Church of Elgin, a spiritual pillar of the Elgin, Illinois African-American community for over 150 years. During Black History Month, I want to celebrate the beginnings of this vibrant congregation and the important contributions it has made over its long and rich history.

The first African-American residents of Elgin, former slaves who sought shelter with Union Troops after the battle of Shiloh, arrived in 1862. These newly freed citizens, regarded as "contraband" property seized by Union armies, were sent north in Union railway cars.

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With the assistance of clergy from First Baptist Church of Elgin, they settled in the area to form the cornerstone of a new African-American community. Desirous of having a place of worship they could call their own, the newcomers founded Second Baptist Church of Elgin on December 2, 1866.

Under the leadership of Reverend Dr. Nathaniel Edmund, affectionately known as Pastor Nate, Second Baptist Church honors the determination and courage of its founders with its sacred presence and community involvement. The church is a spiritual home to thousands of worshipers, and in 2008 expanded its capacity to serve with the construction of an award-winning multi-purpose building adding classrooms, a nursery, a welcome center, and a recreation and performance auditorium to its campus. In recent years, Second Baptist Church has broadened its reach through initiatives including the Prison Ministry, the "Operation Joshua" street ministry, and the SAFE Ministry to break the cycle of domestic violence. The church partners with Sheridan Elementary School and Larsen Middle School to mentor and tutor students identified as at-risk youth and has hosted numerous summits on issues of concern to the community. And emblematic of the church's outward focus, Pastor Nate has served on boards or in other capacities for a variety of important organizations in the Elgin area, including the Alignment Collaborative for Education, Advocate Sherman Hospital, the United Way of Elgin, Judson University, U-46 School District, the NAACP of Greater Elgin, and the African-American Christian Ministers Alliance of Elgin.

The ministry of Second Baptist Church is not limited to the local community, and an important part of its mission is to provide comfort and support wherever the need is most urgent. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Second Baptist Church rallied to aid families rendered homeless by the storm's devastation and adopted survivors who resettled in the Elgin area. In 2007, as part of its effort to support the ongoing ministry of World Vision, the church extended its generosity and compassion to a community in Tanzania, helping to build a housing complex for teachers and pledging continuing monetary support to over 130 Tanzanian children.

I believe the newly emancipated founders of Second Baptist Church would be deeply gratified by the congregation they established, now spanning three centuries of service. Madam Speaker, I want to recognize this profoundly American story of faith, determination, and good works, and acknowledge the tireless service of Second Baptist Church of Elgin to our community in the 8th Congressional District, as well as to all in need throughout the world.

INTRODUCING A BIPARTISAN RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ADDRESSING THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT IN A CONCURRENT TRACK WITH THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE PROCESS AND COMMENDING ARAB AND MUSLIM-MAJORITY STATES THAT HAVE IMPROVED BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bipartisan resolution supporting the concurrent-track approach to the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. I want to acknowledge and thank my colleagues, House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman ELIOT ENGEL, and Representatives DAVID SCHWEIKERT and ROB WOODALL, for introducing this resolution with me today.

The Israeli-Palestinian conflict presents an immensely difficult challenge—a challenge to which there are no easy answers. Successive United States Presidential administrations have pursued peace agreements between the parties for over three decades, from the 1982 Reagan Plan for Middle East Peace to the 1993 Oslo Accords, Camp David Summit, Clinton Parameters, Annapolis Conference, and efforts to restart the peace process under the Obama Administration. President Donald Trump has announced that he too will soon unveil a plan for peace.

Despite a lack of progress on a formal agreement, Israel and some of her Arab neighbors have worked quietly and behind the scenes to improve bilateral relations in recent years. Common threats posed by Iran and violent extremism allowed for new dialogue to take root, and today, Israel enjoys closer relations to many of its neighbors in the region. These efforts represent an opportunity to improve security, stability, and prosperity in the Middle East. The concurrent-track approach—where Arab and Muslim-majority states work to improve their bilateral relations with Israel as Israel and the Palestinian Authority work concurrently to advance the Israeli-Palestinian peace process—should be embraced by our government as a new paradigm for the region. The resolution I am introducing today expresses support for this approach and commends Arab and Muslim-majority states that have already taken steps to improve their bilateral relations with Israel.

I, like nearly all of my colleagues in Congress, continue to support a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, negotiated between the State of Israel and the Palestinian Authority, and resulting in two states for two peoples, living side-by-side in peace, security, and mutual recognition. This is the only way to ensure that both the Israeli people and the Palestinian people can have sovereign homelands. The inability to achieve a two-state solution threatens the State of Israel's security and identity as the democratic homeland of the Jewish people, just as it impedes the well-being and self-determination of the Palestinian people.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to ensure passage of this resolution.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, due to the death of my father, I was absent for the House vote that took place between February 11, 2019 and February 14, 2019.

Had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 75; yea on Roll Call No. 77; yea on Roll Call No. 78; yea on Roll Call No. 79; yea on Roll Call No. 80; nay on Roll Call No. 81; yea on Roll Call No. 82; yea on Roll Call No. 83; yea on Roll Call No. 84; yea on Roll Call No. 85; yea on Roll Call No. 86; and yea on Roll Call No. 87.

CONGRATULATING FIDENCIO HOOPER-CAMPOS ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Fidencio Hooper-Campos on his retirement. Mr. Hooper-Campos has been a steelworker and member of the United Steelworkers Local 63 for 45 years.

Fidencio Hooper-Campos has much to celebrate following a stellar career as a steelworker and a public servant. Mr. Hooper-Campos began his career as a steelworker at the age of 19 at Northwestern Steel & Wire prior to continuing his work at Sterling Steel in the town where he was born. However, Mr. Hooper-Campos' work went beyond that as he took on leadership roles within the community, including service on the Whiteside County Board, Whiteside County Health Clinic Governing Council and the NCI Works Board. Mr. Hooper-Campos committed himself to civic activism and always worked to improve the community around him throughout his accomplished career. In addition, Mr. Hooper-Campos enjoys music, kickboxing and martial arts and I wish him well as he begins his well-earned retirement.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as Fidencio Hooper-Campos that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Fidencio Hooper-Campos on his retirement after 45 years as a steelworker.

RECOGNIZING NATHAN FIRESTONE ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Nathan Firestone, a resident of the Tenth District and a World War II era veteran prisoner of war on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

Mr. Firestone entered the service in 1943 as a member of a B-24 Liberator heavy bomber

squadron. He flew 27 successful missions over Europe as an officer and navigator.

In 1944, his bomber was shot down under heavy enemy fire, and Mr. Firestone sustained serious injuries. He and his crew spent six days wandering through the Austrian Alps before being captured by local police and taken to a Nazi POW camp near the German-Polish border. As a prisoner of war, Mr. Firestone persevered despite access to little food, adequate clothing, heat and other basic necessities.

When his captors interrogated Mr. Firestone and asked him why he bombed Austria, he responded simply: "Ich bin Jude (I am a Jew)."

During a relocation march, Firestone and several other prisoners managed to escape and reunited several days later with American soldiers.

After returning home to the United States in 1945, Mr. Firestone studied at Northwestern University and became a certified public accountant. He married, had children and raised his family in Highland Park. He suffered lifelong repercussions of his internment as a POW, seeking medical assistance from Hines VA Hospital near Chicago.

He is an active member of the American Legion, Jewish War Veterans, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He also published a nonfiction book in 2002 about his experience in the war.

As he celebrates his 100th birthday, it is my great honor and privilege to recognize Nathan Firestone for his service to our country during World War II and his deep involvement in our community.

HONORING THE LIFE OF EDMUND JEFFERSON DANZIGER, JR.

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the life of Edmund Jefferson Danziger, Jr. of Sylvania Township, Ohio. Professor Danziger passed from this life at the age of eighty years on January 8, 2019. He was memorialized at Epworth United Methodist Church in Toledo on February 16, 2019.

Edmund Danziger was born in Newark, New Jersey and spent his childhood with brother Doug tramping through the outdoors near their Hillside home. After graduating from high school in 1956, he felt a call to ministry. However, he found a different call to history and research while a student at the College of Wooster, graduating in 1960. He went on to receive his doctorate from the University of Illinois. Along the way he married his wife, Margaret, and together they raised two children, John and Anne. They moved to Bowling Green Ohio, where he began his 46 year teaching career at Bowling Green State University.

A noted researcher and expert on Ohio and Native American history, Professor Danziger's

work led to the publication of books including *Indians and Bureaucrats: Administering the Reservation Policy during the Civil War and Regeneration: Detroit's American Indian Community* along with many scholarly articles. He became chair of the BGSU History Department, receiving teaching and faculty excellence awards and a special university achievement award for excellence. In 1995, BGSU Trustees named him "distinguished teaching professor," only the seventh in the school's history.

Admired and respected by colleagues and students, Edmund Danziger explained, "A master teacher will ignite a flame with his or her students—a flame which will guide them in further academic studies and more generally along life's challenging path." This philosophy sums up Professor Danziger's career. He took students on field trips to Fort Meigs, Walpole Island First Nation, and hiking the Appalachian Trail. He guided graduate students through theses and dissertations. A former student now an assistant professor of history himself said, "He was the kind of person who elevated everybody he was around. He genuinely cared about humanity. He cared about students." What better reflection of a life well lived?

We send our heartfelt sympathy to the Danziger family. We hope they find some comfort in the gift of his life, those he touched and those who were made better by knowing Edmund Jefferson Danziger. Godspeed.

HONORING DR. ROBERT ATLAS

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I honor the distinguished career and retirement of Dr. Robert Atlas.

Dr. Atlas has served our nation for more than 40 years as a federal employee. He retires as the Director of NOAA's Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory (AOML), where he has transformed AOML into a world class scientific organization focused on NOAA's mission and national needs.

Dr. Atlas received his Ph.D. in Meteorology and Oceanography in 1976 from New York University. Throughout his career, he has served our nation as head of the NASA Data Assimilation Office and as Chief Meteorologist at NASA GSFC. He was also a key member of the team that first demonstrated the significant impact of quantitative satellite data on numerical weather prediction.

Dr. Atlas has been committed to diversity, inclusion and equal opportunity, and under his leadership, AMOL has received several NOAA awards and is the most diverse of all NOAA laboratories.

I have had the pleasure of working directly with Dr. Atlas to inform the public of the up-

coming Hurricane Season each year. His professionalism is unmatched, and I am grateful for his unwavering commitment to keeping Americans safe.

I am proud today to honor his leadership and wish him and his family well on his retirement.

RECOGNIZING JACOB JOSEPH ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jacob Joseph, a World War II veteran and member of the greatest generation, ahead of his 100th birthday, which he will celebrate on April 3.

Mr. Joseph grew up in Knox, Indiana as one of five children. At age 17 he moved to Chicago and took a job working the soda fountain in the lobby of the Hotel Sherman, where he met an Army Lieutenant who encouraged him to enlist.

Mr. Joseph completed his basic training at Fort Sheridan in the Tenth District, and then was stationed in North Carolina and New York before shipping out to Europe. He served in the Seventh Army, which was the first U.S. field army to experience combat in World War II, as a Staff Sergeant in the 682nd Ordnance Ammunition unit. The Seventh advanced over 1,000 miles in nine months of continuous fighting, capturing Palermo and Messina, and liberating Marseilles and other cities during the course of the War.

Joseph worked supplying food to the armed forces. He received several awards for his service, including the Bronze Service Arrowhead and a Good Conduct Medal.

After the war ended, Mr. Joseph returned to Indiana and soon married his late wife, Beatrice. The couple then moved to Chicago, where they opened "Jake's," an innovative burger joint on Armitage Avenue. "Jake's" became a hometown favorite, and Mr. Joseph opened several other locations in the Chicago-land area and in the Tenth District, as well as launched a retail line of frozen foods.

Eventually, Mr. Joseph and his wife moved to Northbrook to raise their two children. In Northbrook, Mr. Joseph continued to exercise his entrepreneurial spirit, receiving patents for designs of a paper towel holder and a napkin holder. He still enjoys creating and building replica models and spending time with his two grandchildren.

As he approaches his 100th birthday, it is my great honor and privilege to recognize Jacob Joseph for his service to our country and allies during World War II and his continued contributions to the Tenth District community.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 10:00:01 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:25 a.m. until 10 a.m., on Thursday, February 21, 2019.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 1309–1314; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 20; and H. Res. 138–138, were introduced. **Page H2042**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2043**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Wexton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2041**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Erin M. Keys, Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC. **Page H2041**

Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 1 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page H2041**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2041.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea-and-nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2:30 p.m. and adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, February 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, February 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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