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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HOYER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 11, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STENY H. HOYER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
Loving God, we thank You for giving us another day.

Please send Your spirit upon all those in elected leadership in our Nation, most especially the Members of the people's House, as they listen to the voices and concerns of their constituents at home.

Our citizens continue to struggle with the threat of the coronavirus and the economic difficulties that have resulted throughout our communities. Pour forth Your wisdom upon all who are chosen to care for the common welfare of our Nation.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 967, 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 section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m., Friday, August 14, 2020.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 14, 2020, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4927. A letter from the Chief, Regulatory Analysis and Development, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Movement of Certain Genetically Engineered Organisms [Docket No.: APHIS-2018-0034] (RIN: 0579-AE47) received July 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4928. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of VOR Federal Airways V-17, V-18, V-62, V-94, V-163, and V-568 in the Vicinity of Glen Rose, TX [Docket No.: FAA-2020-0006; Airspace Docket No.: 17-ASW-26] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received July 7, 2020, 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.

4929. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation of the Agreement Between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada (USMCA) Uniform Regulations Re-

garding Rules of Origin [USCBP-2020-0036] (RIN: 1515-AE55) received July 21, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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:

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 5428. A bill to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct Federal research on grid modernization and security, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-474). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. AMODEI (for himself and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H.R. 7995. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to save Federal funds by authorizing changes to the composition of circulating coins, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. AXNE (for herself, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. BALDERSON, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, and Mr. GOLDEN):

H.R. 7996. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to subsidize payments on loans made under certain rural development loan programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mrs. AXNE (for herself and Mr. BALDERSON):

H.R. 7997. A bill to allow individuals to mitigate the financial impact of COVID-19 by taking a one-time distribution of flexible spending arrangement funds in certain plan years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BARR (for himself and Mr. LUCAS):

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H.R. 7998. A bill to require the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to disseminate guidance to institutions of higher education and non-profit research institutions to help mitigate cybersecurity risks to COVID-19 related research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. BEYER:

H.R. 7999. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to receive and respond to notifications of issues relating to the lack of personal protective equipment and COVID-19 testing; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself and Mr. KINZINGER):

H.R. 8000. A bill to amend the Secure and Trusted Communications Network Reimbursement Program to include eligible telecommunications carriers and providers of educational broadband service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CÁRDENAS:

H.R. 8001. A bill to require research facilities that use companion dogs, cats, or rabbits for research purposes and receive funding from the National Institutes of Health to offer such animals for adoption after completion of such research, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ESTES (for himself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. COLE, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Ms. SCHRIER, and Mr. CARBAJAL):

H.R. 8002. A bill to establish a program to preserve jobs in the aviation manufacturing industry, 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. EVANS (for himself and Mr. CLAY):

H.R. 8003. A bill to require the provision of notice to homeowners regarding available housing relief to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. FUDGE (for herself and Mr. STIVERS):

H.R. 8004. A bill to amend the Head Start Act to extend the duration of grants under such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GOLDEN (for himself and Mr. BANKS):

H.R. 8005. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide veterans access to computerized cognitive behavioral therapy; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 8006. A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to issue regulatory scorecards to agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on 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. GREEN of Tennessee (for himself, Ms. GABBARD, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. HICE of Georgia):

H.R. 8007. A bill to eliminate the authority of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to hold closed meetings in planning economic stabilization under the Coronavirus Economic Stabilization Act of 2020; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SERRANO, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. MENG, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. WELCH, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. VARGAS):

H.R. 8008. A bill to prohibit the use of for-profit facilities and detention centers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, and 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 Mr. HUDSON:

H.R. 8009. A bill to ensure that individuals receive recovery rebates before the end of 2020; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUDSON (for himself, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, and Ms. ESHOO):

H.R. 8010. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to clarify that the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall lead all Federal public health and medical response to emergencies and disasters declared by the President pursuant to the National Emergencies Act or the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and 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 Mr. KATKO (for himself and Miss RICE of New York):

H.R. 8011. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to direct the Election Assistance Commission to make payments under such Act to States for the services of cyber navigators to provide election officials with access to risk management, resiliency, and technical support services in the administration of elections for Federal office; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. LAMALFA (for himself, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. SPANO, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. FLORES, and Mr. HICE of Georgia):

H.R. 8012. A bill to amend chapter 110 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit gender reassignment medical interventions on minors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAMALFA (for himself, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. BABIN, Mr. FLORES, and Mr. HICE of Georgia):

H.R. 8013. A bill to prohibit taxpayer-funded gender reassignment medical interventions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, 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. LARSON of Connecticut (for himself, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. RYAN, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. SVOZZI, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KHANNA, and Mr. SAN NICOLAS):

H.R. 8014. A bill to authorize the issuance of United States Victory Bonds to aid in the

funding of public health operations and small business assistance during the coronavirus pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Small Business, 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. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8015. A bill to maintain prompt and reliable postal services during the COVID-19 health emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL (for herself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. PORTER, Mr. TRONE, Ms. SHERRILL, and Mr. LOWENTHAL):

H.R. 8016. A bill to establish a centralized network of peer support warmlines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL (for herself, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. COX of California, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. SOTO):

H.R. 8017. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to eligible entities to establish, improve, and maintain mobile testing programs for SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8018. A bill to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to permit the District of Columbia to establish the timing of special elections for local office in the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ:

H.R. 8019. A bill to ensure climate and environmental justice accountability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, the Judiciary, Energy and Commerce, Science, Space, and Technology, and Natural Resources, 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. OMAR (for herself, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. HASTINGS, and Ms. JAYAPAL):

H.R. 8020. A bill to impose an emergency tax on the increase in wealth of billionaires during the COVID-19 pandemic in order to pay for all of the out of pocket healthcare expenses of the uninsured and under-insured, including prescription drugs, for one year; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Oversight and Reform, Veterans' Affairs, Armed Services, and Natural Resources, 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. PERLMUTTER (for himself and Mr. CASTEN of Illinois):

H.R. 8021. A bill to encourage energy efficiency, conservation, and development of renewable energy sources for housing, and to create sustainable communities; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Education and

Labor, 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. PHILLIPS (for himself and Mr. CLINE):

H.R. 8022. A bill to amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 to assign unique identification numbers to each lobbyist who registers under such Act and to each client of the lobbyist and each person who provides strategic lobbying services in support of the lobbyist, to require the disclosure of information on any persons who provide strategic lobbying services in support of registered lobbyists under such Act, to require the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate to assign a unique identification number to each individual who registers as a lobbyist under such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (for herself, Ms. MATSUI, and Mr. SHIMKUS):

H.R. 8023. A bill to provide for additional space and resources for the protection and preservation of national collections held by the Smithsonian Institution and the National Gallery of Art; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. SCHRIER (for herself and Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER):

H.R. 8024. A bill to extend certain waivers under the WIC program during the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. STEFANIK (for herself and Mr. DELGADO):

H.R. 8025. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the application of the 15 mile secondary road distance requirement with respect to previously designated critical access hospitals under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. TRONE:

H.R. 8026. A bill making emergency supplemental appropriations for social isolation services under the Older Americans Act of 1965; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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. UNDERWOOD (for herself, Ms. WILD, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. TRONE, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. OMAR, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

H.R. 8027. A bill to improve the public health response to addressing maternal mortality and morbidity during the COVID-19 public health emergency; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Natural Resources, 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. VELA:

H.R. 8028. A bill to amend the Equal Credit Opportunity Act to prohibit discrimination based on an applicant's institution of higher education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LAWSON of Florida (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SHALALA, Ms.

CLARKE of New York, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. FUDGE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MEEKS, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. SOTO, Ms. MOORE, Mr. CRIST, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. NADLER, Mr. VELA, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. BASS, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H. Res. 1080. A resolution urging the Secretary of the Interior to approve the designation of Hemming Park in Jacksonville, Florida as part of the National Park Service's African American Civil Rights Network; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LOUDERMILK:

H. Res. 1081. A resolution recognizing the role of democracies in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, democracy's resiliency, the dangers of authoritarianism, and reaffirming the commitment of the United States to democratic principles; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. SPANBERGER (for herself, Ms.

UNDERWOOD, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. ALLRED, Mrs. AXNE, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CISNEROS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. COOPER, Mr. COSTA, Mr. COX of California, Mr. CROW, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DEFazio, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. DELAUNO, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. EVANS, Ms. FINKENAUER, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Mr. GOLDEN, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HECK, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, Ms. HOULAHAN, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KILMER, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. PORTER, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. ROUDA, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUSH, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. SHALALA, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. STEVENS, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. TRONE, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. WELCH, Ms. WILD, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. KENNEDY, and Miss RICE of New York):

H. Res. 1082. A resolution expressing the sense of the House that the Department of Justice should defend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148; 124 Stat. 119) and halt its efforts to repeal, sabotage, or undermine health care protections for millions of people in the United States in the midst of the public health emergency relating to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. AMODEI:

H.R. 7995.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 5—To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

By Mrs. AXNE:

H.R. 7996.

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, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mrs. AXNE:

H.R. 7997.

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, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. BARR:

H.R. 7998.

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

U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 18:

"The Congress shall have Power . . . To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. BEYER:

H.R. 7999.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.R. 8000.

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

Under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution, Congress has the power to collect taxes and expend funds to provide for the general welfare of the United States. Congress may also make laws that are necessary and proper for carrying into execution their powers enumerated under Article I.

By Mr. CARDENAS:

H.R. 8001.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. ESTES:

H.R. 8002.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18:

"To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. EVANS:

H.R. 8003.

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

clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution, to "provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States."

By Ms. FUDGE:

H.R. 8004.

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

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;

By Mr. GOLDEN:

H.R. 8005.

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

The power of Congress "to raise and support Armies", "to provide and maintain a Navy", "to make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval forces", and to "provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States" as enumerated in Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. GOSAR:

H.R. 8006.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee:

H.R. 8007.

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

Article I, Sec. 8

By Mr. GRIJALVA:

H.R. 8008.

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

U.S. Const. art. I, §§1 and 8.

By Mr. HUDSON:

H.R. 8009.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. HUDSON:

H.R. 8010.

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

Article I, Section 8.

By Mr. KATKO:

H.R. 8011.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 and Clause 3 of the United States Constitution: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States

By Mr. LAMALFA:

H.R. 8012.

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

Article I, Section 8, clause 1

By Mr. LAMALFA:

H.R. 8013.

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

Article I, Section 8, clause 1

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 8014.

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

Clause 2 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8015.

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

Article I, Section I, Clause 18 (Necessary and Proper Clause)

By Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL:

H.R. 8016.

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

Article I, Section 8—To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL:

H.R. 8017.

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

Article I, Section 8—To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8018.

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

clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ:

H.R. 8019.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. OMAR:

H.R. 8020.

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

Article I, Section 7

By Mr. PERLMUTTER:

H.R. 8021.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. PHILLIPS:

H.R. 8022.

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

Article I, Section 8, necessary and proper clause.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD:

H.R. 8023.

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

Article I, Clause 8

By Ms. SCHRIER:

H.R. 8024.

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

Article I

By Ms. STEFANIK:

H.R. 8025.

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

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. TRONE:

H.R. 8026.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States

By Ms. UNDERWOOD:

H.R. 8027.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. VELA:

H.R. 8028.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, Congress has the power "to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or any Department or Officer thereof

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 40: Ms. WEXTON.

H.R. 141: Mr. PETERSON, Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL, and Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 478: Mr. TIFFANY.

H.R. 616: Mr. WALTZ.

H.R. 732: Mr. ROUDA, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. SHERRILL, and Mr. HECK.

H.R. 906: Ms. LOFGREN and Mr. HUIZENGA.

H.R. 1002: Mr. HOLDING.

H.R. 1155: Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois.

H.R. 1185: Mr. VELA.

H.R. 1354: Mr. KENNEDY.

H.R. 1553: Mr. MFUME.

H.R. 1570: Ms. STEVENS.

H.R. 1574: Mr. KATKO.

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The Senate met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal God, we trust You for protection and peace, for You have promised to guide us by Your grace. May we place our hope in You and never forget how You have sustained us in the past.

Lord, give our Senators the wisdom to do what is best for America. Continue to rule from Heaven so that Your purposes will prevail on Earth.

Hear the cries of the helpless and do for them through our lawmakers what they can't do for themselves. Bring justice and righteousness to our Nation and world as You transform dark yesterdays into bright tomorrows.

We pray in Your sacred Name.
Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President 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.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

CORONAVIRUS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, there has been a lot of focus lately on the drama here in Washington. For weeks now, as leading Democrats blocked more pandemic relief over unrelated liberal demands, the press has covered their stonewalling like any ordinary political standoff. Who talked

to whom? Who said what in which meeting? What new metaphor did Speaker PELOSI use today to explain that she was blocking progress? But it does the Nation a disservice to act like the last several weeks were just another routine political standoff. It does struggling families and laid-off workers and stressed-out school principals and healthcare professionals a disservice to act like this has just been more Washington gridlock.

The New York Times proclaimed a few days ago that "[Speaker] PELOSI is playing hardball on coronavirus relief." Well, that is one way to put it. You could say it is "playing hardball" to refuse any outcome for the country. You could say it is "playing hardball" to insist on non-COVID-related liberal policy changes that the Speaker and the Democratic leader know would never pass the Senate or be signed into law by the President.

But if Democrats are "playing hardball," their opponents aren't us Republicans—not really.

They are playing hardball against kids, workers, and vulnerable Americans who need help.

They are playing hardball against our medical system when the Speaker and the Democratic leader say they won't allow another dime for testing, treatments, or vaccines unless they can bring home a massive tax cut for millionaires in San Francisco and New York City.

They are playing hardball against our Nation's ability to detect and fight the virus.

They are playing hardball against science when the Speaker and the Democratic leader say they will not allow another cent for schools to reopen or for the job-saving PPP unless they get \$1 trillion for a State and local slush fund that is completely out of proportion to actual needs.

They are playing hardball against children and parents when the Speaker and the Democratic leader say they

will not allow any resolution on any issue unless Democrats can pay people more not to work.

They are playing hardball against millions of households that ought to get another stimulus check and against the ability of jobless people to get any Federal benefit whatsoever.

There are life-and-death matters at stake, but Democrats have treated this historic national crisis as a political game. Just look at the redlines the Democratic leaders have drawn around these negotiations. Imagine sitting down with a working family at their kitchen table and explaining that these are the kinds of issues over which the Speaker and the Democratic leader are refusing—refusing—to let them have relief.

First, as I mentioned, the Democratic leader has made clear he doesn't want any pandemic relief to become law unless—unless—it carries a special State and local tax carve-out for high earners in places like New York.

Just imagine these Democratic leaders from New York and San Francisco going anywhere in the middle of the country and telling a working family of four, earning \$40,000 a year, that they aren't getting a relief check that could increase their income by 10 percent until millionaires in Manhattan get a tax cut.

Economists on all sides have panned this. A huge, costly tax cut for wealthy people in blue States is not the life raft that struggling people need. Even liberal economists have jumped ship. Here is what one self-identified progressive told reporters: "This is not a good idea. . . . It would not help the economy heal and it would not benefit the people who need help." These are the economists on their side? But forget about the experts. Forget about laid-off people. Forget about Middle America. The Speaker and the Democratic leader want to cut off funding for our war with the coronavirus unless they get this special carve-out.

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Here is another one of those dead-on-arrival demands: Democrats insist that working families, small businesses, and healthcare providers will not get any more help unless a new trillion-dollar slush fund for poorly managed States tags along. Bear in mind that States and localities have only spent about a fourth—a fourth—of the money we already sent them last spring.

Even Senate Democrats seem to acknowledge this, for example, by sponsoring legislation that would extend the deadline for the States to spend down their CARES Act aid. The States need extra time to spend what we have already sent them, and the serious estimates of the COVID shortfall that State and local governments may face are a fraction—a fraction—of the Democrats' trillion-dollar demand. Their demands aren't based on math. They aren't based on the pandemic. They want a massive slush fund to make up for decades of mismanagement.

It is just how the Speaker explained her view of the crisis. This is what she said:

This is an opportunity. Every crisis is.

That same opportunism leads them to another absurd demand. Democrats say nobody should get any more help unless—unless—the Federal Government sends out jobless benefits that pay more than what people made working. Republicans support extending a Federal supplement for unemployment—make no mistake about that—but we share the view of Democrats like the House Democratic majority, the senior Senator from Maryland, the Democratic Governor of Connecticut, all of whom indicated it should be doable to land somewhere smarter than a flat \$600.

This is not complicated. Both sides want to help unemployed people. Republicans never wanted the Federal benefit to lapse to zero and tried to extend the money. But as our economy tries to reopen, there is no reason Uncle Sam should take taxes out of essential workers' paychecks to pay other people more to stay home.

This is just a flavor of the Democratic demands. The two parties should have been able to agree on a huge sweep of subjects—from testing to school money, legal protection to direct payments and more. Republicans wanted to reach an agreement everywhere we could and then continue to fight over the contested questions later. Democrats said no because they know their unrelated wish-list items would have no prayer—no prayer—of standing on their own merit.

Only these hostage tactics could possibly get their bad ideas across the finish line. So struggling people have waited and waited and gotten nothing. That has been the Democrats' decision. Reporters can call it "hardball," like this was some ordinary standstill, but families are suffering. Americans are dying. This is not a Washington game; it is a national crisis. It would serve

the Nation better if the Democratic leaders would act like it is a crisis.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Democratic leader is recognized.

CORONAVIRUS

Mr. SCHUMER. Now, Mr. President, America is living through a crisis that exceeds anything we have seen in generations. Other countries were able to test their populations, isolate cases, and contain the spread of the disease, but here the failure of the Trump administration to develop or implement a national strategy to defeat COVID on the health front and economically has meant that the disease has raged through our country for 7 months, is still spreading, and the economy is in very bad shape.

We have over 5 million confirmed cases of COVID-19. It just took 17 days to go from 4 million Americans with COVID to 5 million. Unemployment is higher than it ever was during the great recession. More than 150,000 Americans have died. Small businesses every day are closing, and those that are still open are struggling. Families can't afford to feed their children. Americans can't pay the rent and will be thrown out of their homes. Millions are out of work, and many more worry that they will be out of work in the month or two to come. This is a huge crisis.

In this time of national emergency, Democrats believe we must focus on the health and economic security of the American people. If we don't address the health crisis, nothing else will matter, but we have to focus on economic security as well.

We have to keep Americans in their homes, put food on the table, prevent them from slipping into further hardship and poverty. That is what ani-

mated Democrats to develop a \$3.4 trillion plan to finally crush the virus and rescue American families. It was based on the needs of our country, both health and economic, the needs of our schools and businesses and workers and our healthcare system. We Democrats tell America, We have your back. Unfortunately, our Republican friends do not.

In our negotiations with the White House, Chief of Staff Meadows and Secretary Mnuchin were unable to go above \$1 trillion, and their \$1 trillion was far short of the country's needs. Democrats offered to come down by \$1 trillion. We asked our counterparts—Secretary Mnuchin, Mr. Meadows—to come up by \$1 trillion, meet us in the middle. They said no.

So last Friday, after our negotiating session with the White House, I made it clear that the reasons our talks had stalled was that the White House had basically declared "my way or the highway." They were unwilling to meet us in the middle. They said that in the room. I guess imitation is the sincerest form of flattery because now Leader MCCONNELL is blaming Democrats for the breakdown in negotiations, using the exact same language. He said Democrats are the ones saying "my way or the highway." Seriously, that is what the Republican leader, who wasn't even in the room and will not dare go in the room, claims.

Let's go over the facts—the facts. We said to the White House: We are willing to come down by \$1 trillion. Will you come up by \$1 trillion and meet us in the middle? The White House said: No, we are not budging. So to whom does this logic apply? Who is intransigent? Who is really saying "my way or the highway?" The answer is obvious. This is not a "both sides to blame" situation.

Democrats are willing to compromise. Republicans are being intransigent and will not move from their position, which is totally inadequate for the needs of America during the greatest economic crisis we have had in 75 years and the greatest health crisis in 100. That is where we are: Democrats willing to move and meet in the middle, Republicans intransigent. Republicans declared "my way or the highway," and rather than defend their position, they falsely accuse Democrats of doing the same.

Now, rather than trying to break the logjam, as a true Presidential leader should, President Trump sits on the sidelines and just issued a bunch of weak and unworkable Executive orders. He slashed the enhanced unemployment benefits, asked the Americans who are out of work, through no fault of their own, to take a pay cut. He deferred the payroll tax, which even Republicans admit will do nothing to help our workers and the economy and would undermine Social Security and Medicare to boot. And the President's Executive order on evictions is more like an Executive suggestion. It doesn't

even guarantee a moratorium on evictions. It merely instructs Federal agencies to “review” or “consider” one and does nothing to help renters actually afford the rent.

Here in Congress, the Senate Republican majority delayed for 4 long months, failed to come up with a proposal that had the support of their own caucus, and then gave up and left it for someone else to figure it out. That is why MCCONNELL is not in the room. Facing the greatest domestic crisis in the 21st century, where Americans are hurting healthwise and economically, the Senate Republican majority ran down the clock, tossed up an air ball, and then subbed themselves out of the game.

Even now, as Leader MCCONNELL claims that Democrats are blocking relief, there are 20 Members of the Republican caucus, according to their own leader, who will not vote for anything—no more relief. A group of Republican Senators came to the floor last week to warn America about the national debt, not the health crisis, not the economic crisis, not the looming housing crisis but the national debt. It is something that concerned those same Members very little when adding nearly \$2 trillion to the debt in order to give big corporations a giant tax cut in 2017.

Listen to this one: The Senator from Wisconsin, Mr. JOHNSON, said yesterday:

From my standpoint, the breakdown in talks is very good news. I hope the talks remain broke down.

Let me repeat that. Senator JOHNSON said:

From my standpoint—

Reflecting the views of many Republican Senators—

the breakdown in talks is very good news. I hope the talks remain broke down.

Why did he say that? Because he doesn't want to spend one more nickel. Despite the huge health crisis, the huge economic crisis, people losing their jobs, small businesses closing, we shouldn't spend a nickel. This is not both sides. This is one side only.

When President Trump called COVID-19 a hoax and told the country to go take bleach and other quack medicines, some of my friends here made disappointed noises. But when the President said the virus would just disappear, it seems the Republican Senate bought it.

After we came together to pass the CARES Act, Republican Senators pushed all their chips to the middle to bet with President Trump that the virus was going to miraculously disappear. The Republican leader said: I am going to put the Senate on “pause” and see what happens. Last week, he actually defended that position, saying that his delay “allowed us to learn the coronavirus didn't mysteriously disappear.” Millions more people out of work, hundreds of thousands of small businesses closing, many more people

getting COVID and some more people dying, and, now, after all that, the Republican leader says his delay “allowed us to learn the coronavirus didn't mysteriously disappear.”

So while President Trump and his aides have certainly been an impediment—an awful impediment to an agreement, the Republican Senate is equally culpable, and the American people know it. They know that Democrats have their back, healthwise and economically. Republicans, so many of them, are saying: Don't do a thing. Don't do a thing. They are glad the negotiations have broken down. We are not.

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, one final matter, millions of Americans rely on the U.S. Postal Service to deliver their mail reliably and on time. For decades, the hard-working people of the Postal Service have been doing just that. During this pandemic, USPS has been providing these critical services day in and day out, up until the new Postmaster General, Mr. DeJoy, a top Republican donor and Trump ally with no experience in the Postal Service, was installed at the helm.

Administering a national election is difficult in normal times. In the time of COVID, it will undoubtedly be an even greater challenge. We need to institute policies and devote resources to make sure every American can both safely and confidently vote in person and by mail. By the way, even just as important, we need to make sure Americans get their medicines on time, that the elderly and those with pre-existing conditions who are staying in their homes and not going out are able to get their necessities by mail. Your pills are a week late—I know what that is like. It has happened to me. Fortunately, I don't have medicines that my life depends on. It causes you huge anxiety about your health. This Postmaster is cutting overtime, cutting employees, when, at a time of COVID, we need more help, not less. But elections should certainly concern Americans as well.

The current issues of the post office should alarm every American. The new Postmaster General has instituted policies that have contributed to inexcusable delays in mail delivery. But now, topping the cake, the Postal Service has informed some States that they may need to pay a first-class rate to deliver ballots rather than the normal rate, nearly tripling the cost. At a time when people will have to vote by mail in record numbers because they can't or will not go vote in person, the Postmaster General is saying we should triple the rate of costs to vote by mail? What a despicable derogation of democracy.

What is his rationale? It is a small amount of money. Ballots are a small percentage of the mail that is delivered. It is to discourage people from

voting. He ought to be ashamed of himself to even consider this, tripling—tripling what it costs to vote by mail at a time when more people will vote by mail than ever before. If anyone had any thought that this Postmaster General was on the level, it is now dispensed.

To triple the cost of voting by mail would be an outrageous and insidious policy that would make it even harder and more expensive for States, already struggling with depleted budgets from COVID-19, to conduct our elections safely. Democrats will fight this policy with every tool at our disposal. If our Republican colleagues care about a free and fair election this November, they should as well.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Nevada.

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I so appreciate the comments of the minority leader.

HOUSING

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, oftentimes, when I am home and I am talking to constituents in Nevada, they look at Washington as a bubble. They don't really think that things happen here unless they see it on the news or they have no trust in us really coming together to work on behalf of our constituents.

I think it is time we focus on what needs to be done in the best interest of our country than focusing on political gain or gamesmanship.

The reason why I say that is, I don't know about the President pro tempore, but I know every single Senator comes from a State, and they care about their constituents. They get emails from their constituents and letters from their constituents. When we go home, we claim to be in a recess, but it is not really a recess. We are home working. We are talking to our constituents and businesses and the individuals who are there. And if we are really listening to our constituents, particularly at a time like now, when this pandemic has created the worst health crisis we have seen not just in this country but around the world and has contributed to an economic crisis, then we are hearing from our constituents that they are struggling right now.

The reason they are struggling is because we have asked them to stay at home and shelter in place to stem the spread of this virus. We have said: Listen, we don't have a vaccine. We are working on it, but we don't have it right away. We need to ramp up our tests so we can make sure you can get it, and quickly, to determine whether you have this virus or the antibodies so we can then quarantine you and shelter you. But until we even get to that point, we have asked everybody to stay home. And they have done it.

I know in my State of Nevada, we have the highest unemployment rate in this country right now—25 percent.

Businesses have shuttered. People have stayed home to help us stem the spread of this virus. What we told them months ago is that, if you do this, we will be there. Our Federal Government will be there to work with you. We will help you. We will make sure you have money in your pocket so you can afford healthcare, so you can pay your bills, so you can pay your rent, you can pay for your food, so you do not have to have any economic insecurity. We made that commitment to them. We promised them.

I have to say that we still have to follow that obligation. They are doing their part, so why aren't we doing ours?

At the end of the day, the President pro tempore and I both know, and all of our colleagues know, that there is more economic insecurity in this country right now than we have ever seen before because of this pandemic: food insecurity, housing insecurity, job insecurity, education insecurity. There is a homework gap. We know it. It is happening. So now it is time for us to stop the posturing, stop the political gamesmanship and really do what we committed when we swore an oath to this office when we were sworn in, that we were going to do right by people across this country, looking out for their interests—not our interests but the best interests of this country.

So I come to the floor today to really ask my colleagues: Let's try and do what is right for the best interests of this country, now more than ever.

I know you get them. I get letters. I have letters from constituents right now—I can't tell you—and I have been inundated with them.

A constituent from Nevada wrote:

I urge you to extend the federal eviction moratorium and include at least \$100 billion in funding for emergency rental assistance in the next . . . relief [package]. [This] assistance will enable households, including those who have lost jobs or who already were struggling to pay rent before the pandemic, to remain stably housed and avoid the devastating and long-lasting harms of eviction.

That is from a constituent. I didn't write that. They sent it to my office. In this letter, this constituent from Nevada goes on to say:

It is important to be kind and compassionate. Especially during this time. We have the opportunity to learn and to do better always. No one should be forced out of their home during a global pandemic.

Those are similar to other letters I receive. I know you receive them. I know our colleagues receive them. That is why, today, it is important for us to focus on so much that is happening, including that economic security. Right now I want to focus on one piece of it that we need to address that should be part of a global piece, which is this idea that, right now, millions of Americans are concerned about being evicted from their homes.

In the middle of a pandemic, when people need a safe place to call home, they are concerned that they don't have the money to pay their rent be-

cause we have asked them to stay home.

I have said this before on the floor of the Senate. I will say it again. In the middle of a pandemic, housing is healthcare. Security in your own home is healthcare. Yet we have millions of people across the country on the brink of eviction.

In mid-July, a quarter of adults reported that they were housing insecure. That is one in four. In more than half of the States in America, eviction bans have expired. That means, across the Nation, more and more families will have to pack up everything that they can carry in the space of hours.

There could be 40 million evictions nationwide by the end of the year, and what we have seen amongst the data that comes in to all of our offices is that families of color are likely to be the hardest hit. In my home State of Nevada, experts believe that nearly half a million people are at risk of eviction—perhaps as many as 300,000 of them in Nevada by September. Among renters, up to 47 percent face that risk.

Staving off Nevada evictions could cost Nevada \$850 billion in rental assistance over the next year. That is just one State. But do you know what? The States, the local governments, everyone has been impacted by this pandemic, and they are rightly looking to Congress to address it. They are desperate for us to pass meaningful legislation to get them money to pay their bills, to enact protections that let them stay in their homes and apartments.

We need to help them now. We can't turn our backs. We cannot turn our backs on Americans now, more than ever. They need our help. And we need the administration, we need leadership—Republican leadership—coming to the negotiating table to get real relief passed, not hollow political gestures.

We need a package that will include housing and rental assistance, prevent an epidemic of homelessness, and stabilize the housing markets because, if we don't, the consequences are going to haunt families and our economy for years.

Now, I know this. Take it from me. In Nevada, we saw 200,000 families lose their homes because of the 2008 housing crisis. That foreclosure crisis hit Nevada so hard, and it has been a long, long road back for so many Nevadans.

I am determined not to ever see that happen again and to bring relief. If I am in a position—as we all are here in Congress—to bring that relief, why aren't we in a room negotiating it? Why are we not talking regularly? We did it with the CARES Act immediately. We saw the need, and we did something about it.

Nevadans are already struggling to find work, to afford food, and to stay healthy during this pandemic; plus, they are helping their children learn as schools start to reopen. They cannot effectively do that—none of it—with-

out a safe place to stay, a roof over their head.

Housing is the key to any sense of stability in our chaotic world right now. It is time to end the political games. Americans expect it. They need a roof over their head. That is why it is so vital we pass legislation, not just to help Nevadans but people all over the country pay their rent and utility bills when they cannot safely go to work because of this health pandemic.

We already have legislation that is out there. We know it. The House, months ago, passed the Heroes Act, which addresses this issue. Our colleagues have introduced legislation—Senator BROWN's Emergency Rental Assistance and Rental Market Stabilization Act is out there—that can do the job. We can talk about how we bring this bill forward that helps so many families.

It is not just rental stabilization but to help families keep a roof over their head. Remember, there are a lot of small businesses that are landlords. There are many businesses that are landlords who are shouldering the missed opportunities, and they are struggling. Landlords have bills to pay as well. They have mortgages; they have taxes; they have insurance, staff—let alone their families whom they have to take care of. Without assistance, many of them will go bankrupt or can be forced to sell their properties.

So let's focus on the essentials, the basic need for things like shelter. Let's keep people safe and off the streets. Let's pass Senator BROWN's rental assistance bill. Senator REED has a housing assistance fund bill to help homeowners avoid foreclosure. Senator MENENDEZ has a housing counseling bill. There are so many others. They are in front of us.

We have an opportunity to do the right thing here. The Senate just needs to do its part by making sure those homes are safe and stable, by passing legislation that is going to have a positive impact on so many Americans across this country.

I thank the Presiding Officer for listening. I thank my colleagues for at least having the ability and the will to try to do something through the legislation that was introduced, but now more needs to be done. We can't just introduce legislation. Now is the time to do our jobs as Senators: to come to the floor of the Senate, bring legislation to the floor, and debate it. Let the American public actually see us work and do our jobs that we promised them we would be doing.

It is OK to debate legislation. It is OK to compromise and come forth with good government and good policy that is going to lift all of us up. That is what the Senate should be doing, and that is what I look forward to from my colleagues.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HOEVEN). The Senator from Iowa.

IOWA

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, yesterday many parts of my home State of Iowa were hit by extreme winds and severe storms—90-mile-an-hour winds, probably along the path along Interstate 80 from the Missouri River to the Mississippi River. Trees are uprooted, roadways are obstructed, crops are severely damaged, grain bins are busted, outbuildings lost, some homes hurt, and over 400,000 households lost power.

Just like any other natural disaster Iowa has experienced, I know that Iowans are going to band together and support each other as we recover from this storm. Senator ERNST and I stand ready to help with any Federal assistance Iowa may need, and I hope that you will not hesitate to contact our respective offices—both in Washington, DC, and in Iowa—if you need us.

For sure, if Governor Reynolds declares this as a disaster area, Senator ERNST and I will be quick to advise the President to follow the recommendations and requests of Governor Reynolds.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Ms. Roberts, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(The message received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2500. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5269. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplement to Commission Guidance Regarding Proxy Voting Responsibilities of Investment Advisors" (Rel. No. IA-5547) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5270. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Covered Broker-Dealer Provisions under Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act" (RIN3064-AE39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5271. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporate Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemptions from the Proxy Rules for Proxy Voting Advice" (Rel. No. 34-89372) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5272. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (Docket No. FEMA-2020-0005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5273. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (Docket No. FEMA-2020-0005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5274. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (Docket No. FEMA-2020-0005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5275. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (Docket No. FEMA-2020-0005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5276. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule; National Flood Insurance Program: Conforming Changes to Reflect the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (BW-12) and the Homeowners Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (HFIAA), and Additional Clarifications for Plain Language" (RIN1660-AA95) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5277. A communication from the Deputy Division Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of

a rule entitled "Implementation of the National Suicide Hotline Improvement Act of 2018" ((WC Docket No. 18-335) (FCC 20-100)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 6, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-232. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Nevada urging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to provide flexible funding for state, local, and tribal governments to account for anticipated public budget shortfalls as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; to the Committee on Finance.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Whereas, The rapid spread of the novel coronavirus disease 2019, abbreviated as COVID-19, was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020, and a national emergency by President Donald J. Trump on March 13, 2020; and

Whereas, State, local and tribal governments have been on the front lines of the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, taking decisive and dramatic actions, including ordering the closure of nonessential businesses and issuing stay-at-home orders, in an effort to comply with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and protect the health and welfare of their citizens; and

Whereas, As the result of these momentous actions to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, state, local and tribal governments, many of which were flourishing economically before the outbreak of COVID-19, now face economic and fiscal crises of unprecedented proportions; and

Whereas, The Honorable Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada, rapidly took action to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in the State of Nevada, issuing a series of Emergency Directives which, among other things, directed Nevadans to stay at home and provided for the closure of schools, casinos and gaming establishments and nonessential businesses; and

Whereas, The unemployment rate in the State of Nevada, which stood at a historically low 3.6 percent in February 2020, increased in just two months to 30.1 percent in April 2020, which is the highest level ever reported by a state in modern history; and

Whereas, The State of Nevada's General Fund now faces an estimated shortfall of approximately \$1.2 billion in Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and

Whereas, The State of Nevada and local and tribal governments in this State will be forced, just as other state, local and tribal governments in similar positions will be forced, to implement deep cuts in services and programs, many of which affect persons most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, unless federal relief is granted; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of Nevada, Jointly, That the members of the 31st Special Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby urge President Donald J. Trump and the Congress of the United States of America to provide further flexible funding for state, local and tribal governments to assist with anticipated public budget shortfalls as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this

resolution to the President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States as the presiding officer of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and each member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 4521. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to reduce health care costs and expand health care coverage to more Americans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN):

S. 4522. A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to authorize appropriations for the United States-Israel Binational Agricultural Research and Development Fund; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 634

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mrs. LOEFFLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 634, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish tax credits to encourage individual and corporate taxpayers to contribute to scholarships for students through eligible scholarship-granting organizations and eligible workforce training organizations, and for other purposes.

S. 861

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 861, a bill to establish in the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor of the Department of State a Special Envoy for the Human Rights of LGBTI Peoples, and for other purposes.

S. 3067

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3067, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to combat the opioid crisis by promoting access to non-opioid treatments in the hospital outpatient setting.

S. 3546

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from South Carolina

(Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3546, a bill to waive high deductible health plan requirements for health savings accounts.

S. 3693

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3693, a bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to foster efficient markets and increase competition and transparency among packers that purchase livestock from producers.

S. 4150

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4150, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to provide assistance to certain providers of transportation services affected by the novel coronavirus.

S. 4152

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 4152, a bill to provide for the adjustment or modification by the Secretary of Agriculture of loans for critical rural utility service providers, and for other purposes.

S. 4284

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) were added as cosponsors of S. 4284, a bill to provide for emergency education freedom grants, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish tax credits to encourage individual and corporate taxpayers to contribute to scholarships for students through eligible scholarship-granting organizations, and for other purposes.

S. 4317

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4317, a bill to lessen the burdens on interstate commerce by discouraging insubstantial lawsuits relating to COVID-19 while preserving the ability of individuals and businesses that have suffered real injury to obtain complete relief.

S. 4442

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4442, a bill to amend subtitle A of title

II of division A of the CARES Act to provide Pandemic Unemployment Assistance to individuals with mixed income sources, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 5

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 5, a concurrent resolution supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act.

S. RES. 673

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 673, a resolution affirming that the New START Treaty extension will cover new deployed Russian nuclear delivery systems, and supporting additional initiatives to engage China that advance the goal of concluding an arms control treaty or agreement.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 11 a.m., Wednesday, August 12; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 12:26 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nomination received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JUSTIN E. HERDMAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JESSIE K. LIU, RESIGNED.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
FORMER CLERK OF THE HOUSE
DONNALD K. ANDERSON

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. PELOSI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tireless public servant, whose 35 years of service to the House of Representatives have left an indelible legacy for the People's House: Former Clerk of the House Donald K. Anderson.

Donald Anderson's House career began in 1960, when he left home in Sacramento, California to spend his senior year of high school as a House Page. This transformative experience changed the course of his life, which he would dedicate to serving the House of Representatives.

As a Page assigned to a post in the Democratic Cloakroom, Anderson had a front row seat to the workings of Congress. Following a brief conversation with Clerk of the House Ralph R. Roberts while making a delivery to his office one day, Anderson decided that "being Clerk of the House has to be the best job in the world, and my fantasy as a 17-year-old high school senior was to be the Clerk of the House—little knowing that 27 years later I actually would become the Clerk of the House."

Following his time in the House Page initiative, Anderson attended Sacramento State University and George Washington University, and spent eight years proudly serving his nation in the U.S. Army Reserve. While pursuing his Bachelor's degree in political science, Anderson continued to work for the House, starting as an elevator operator in 1961. The experience he gained and relationships he cultivated led him to a position in the office of Congressman Jimmy Morrison of Louisiana, then to a position as an enrolling clerk and, in 1969, he returned to the Democratic Cloakroom as a second managerial assistant.

Anderson became an expert on procedure and scheduling, establishing a reputation as a sought-after resource for Members looking to navigate the complexities of the House Floor. In 1972, Speaker Carl Albert of Oklahoma appointed Anderson Majority Floor Manager, a position he held for 15 years. And on January 6, 1987, Anderson's lifelong dream became realized when he was sworn in as the Clerk of the House for the 100th Congress, a position he held for eight years until retiring in 1995.

In all his positions, Anderson served with integrity and dedication, taking immense pride in placing the duties of his office before partisanship or political ideology, which became a cornerstone of his tenure as Clerk. As Anderson noted, he was committed to "ensuring that my office was absolutely nonpartisan, that we treated all Members with the same courtesy, the same expediency, the same confidentiality, so that Members of the minority . . . could unburden themselves with me, even though I

was a Democrat, knowing that I would never break their confidence."

As Clerk, he was instrumental in the formation of the House Office of Employee Assistance and the Office of Fair Employment Practices, which continue to serve as vital tools for all House employees to receive the support and resources they need to effectively do their work on behalf of the American people. He also generously shared his deep knowledge of the legislative process and House protocol with new Members during Freshman orientation.

One of Clerk Anderson's most lasting impacts on the House was his commitment to modernize the House. In the era before cellphones, Clerk Anderson's campaign to introduce electronic beepers was a great success, and he constantly sought new tools to ensure Members were kept up-to-date on House proceedings. By harnessing new technologies, Anderson helped the House set the foundation for doing business in the information age and in a world increasingly reliant on technological innovation.

Clerk Anderson's love for the House and dedication to the institution stands as an enduring example for all those who will follow in his footsteps to serve the Congress and the American people.

May it be a comfort to his friends, loved ones and the entire Anderson family that so many mourn their loss and are praying for them at this sad time.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF LEON
FLEISHER

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. PELOSI. Madam Speaker, I rise today with my colleague, Congressman ADAM SCHIFF, to honor a musical virtuoso, whose nearly 80-year-long career was marked by extraordinary triumphs, profound struggles and inspiring perseverance: the incomparable Leon Fleisher.

Born in San Francisco in 1928 to Jewish immigrant parents, Leon's life embodied the American Dream. At the age of four, he began listening to his brother's piano lessons before sneaking in afterwards to play everything he had heard by ear. It soon became clear that young Leon Fleisher was a piano prodigy. At age eight, he gave his first recital. At nine, he began training with the world-famous pianist Artur Schnabel. By sixteen, Fleisher was making his debut at Carnegie Hall. At 23, Fleisher became the first American to win the Queen Elisabeth Piano Competition in Brussels and at 25, he released his first studio album.

Leon Fleisher's career was meteoric, vaulting him to the top of the classical music world and making him a sought-after soloist for some of the world's most prestigious orchestras. Music critics of the time described

Fleisher as "transcendent," and that he had "this kind of Apollonian perfection . . . When you hear something that he's playing, you think that is the way it needs to be played."

But Fleisher's true greatness became clear when, at the age of 36, he received the catastrophic diagnosis of Focal Dystonia, which lost him the use of his right hand. While he faced many years of failed treatments and depression, he never lost hope. Instead, he found strength in the healing power of music. Harnessing his extraordinary talents, he continued the work he loved, becoming a master of the left hand repertoire; passing on his knowledge and expertise to younger generations of musicians as a teacher at The Peabody Institute in Baltimore, Maryland; and forming the acclaimed Theater Chamber Players, now based at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. He also served as Artistic Director of the Tanglewood Music Center, Resident Conductor of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and Music Director of the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra.

In 1995, more than three decades after his initial diagnosis, Fleisher found a course of treatment that allowed him to slowly regain use of his right hand that had eluded him for so long. In reflecting on his years of struggle, Fleisher noted, "There are forces out there, and if you keep yourself open to them, if you go along with them, there are wondrous surprises."

Fleisher received many awards and accolades over the years, including being named a Commander in the Order of Arts and Letters by the Minister of Culture of the French government and a 2007 Kennedy Center Honor—fitting tributes to a remarkable career.

Fleisher's musical brilliance and visionary career strengthened and enriched the artistic fabric of our nation. He leaves a profound legacy for his countless students who follow in his footsteps and for the millions of music lovers around the world who he moved, inspired and entertained.

May it be a comfort to his wife, Katherine, his children, Deborah, Leah, Richard, Paula and Julian, and the entire Fleisher family that so many mourn their loss and are praying for them at this sad time.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA SPECIAL ELEC-
TIONS HOME RULE ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Special Elections Home Rule Act. This bill would give the District of Columbia complete authority to set the date of special elections for local offices, as other jurisdictions already have. Our bill simply removes a Home Rule Act limitation on the District that is not only inconsistent with

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the self-government granted by the Home Rule Act, but is also counterproductive.

This bill follows legislation we got through Congress in 2012 that gave the D.C. Board of Elections ("Board") more flexibility to set the date of special elections for local offices to maximize voter participation. Although we sought complete authority for the District over the scheduling of special elections, the 2012 law, the District of Columbia Special Election Reform Act, did not include this home-rule principle. D.C. should have complete authority over a matter that is unrelated to any other congressional district and has no relevance to Congress.

The Home Rule Act originally required the Board to hold special elections on the first Tuesday 114 days from when the vacancy occurred and allowed the Board to schedule special elections on the same day as the next general election if that election occurred 60 days from when a special election would otherwise have been held. This inflexibility led to special elections being held on religious holidays and forced the District to hold a special election separate from an upcoming general election, costing the District hundreds of thousands of dollars in extra election costs. The 2012 law required the Board to hold a special election on a Tuesday occurring between 70 and 174 days after the vacancy.

Our bill is an important step to perfect home rule for the District. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE
FELICIAN SISTERS LOST TO
CORONAVIRUS

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to memorialize the beautiful lives of thirteen nuns taken from our community by the scourge of coronavirus between April and June of this year.

We honor the memory of Sister Mary Luiza Wawrzyniak, Sister Celine Marie Lesinski, Sister Mary Estelle Prints, Sister Thomas Marie Wadowski, Sister Mary Patricia Pyszynski, Sister Mary Clarence (Adeline) Borkoski, Sister Rose Mary Wolak, Sister Mary Janice (Margaret) Zolkowski, Sister Mary Alice Ann (Fernanda) Gradowski, Sister Victoria Marie Indyk, Sister Mary Martinez (Virginia) Rozek, Sister Mary Madeleine (Frances) Dolan, and Sister Mary Danatha (Lottie) Suchyta.

These righteous women spent their days working and living together as members of the Felician Sisters at the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary convent in Livonia, Michigan—some for more than a half century. At the time of their deaths, they ranged in age from 69 to 99, still wholly committed to serving the most vulnerable among us.

Prior to the pandemic, the sisters could be found working in our local schools, libraries, and medical facilities, providing enrichment to our students and care to our sick. Many of them pursued degrees in higher education during their lifetimes, always seeking new ways to instill a sense of peace, justice, dignity, and truth in the world around them. My heart aches for the harm done to the soul of our community.

This distinguished group has been responsible for the founding of multiple schools and care centers in Michigan's 11th District, including Madonna University, which has become one of the nation's largest Franciscan universities with a student body of approximately 3,000 students. We, in Michigan's 11th District, are forever indebted to them for their mission and impact. We grieve for the virtuous lives lost, and we hold their extended community in our prayers.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on the indelible mark left by these sisters on our community. May the grieving find comfort in the extraordinary legacies of faith and service they leave.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF JAMES
CHARLES EVERS

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of James Charles Evers, who passed away on Wednesday, July 22, in Brandon, Mississippi, at age 97.

Charles Evers was born in Decatur, Mississippi, on September 11, 1922. He served in the Army in World War II and later Korea, however, his biggest fight was the fight against racism. Following in his brother's footsteps, civil rights activist Medgar Evers, Charles was a leader in the civil rights movement. His early exposure to racial violence fueled his passion for driving out racism in a Jim Crow Mississippi. He wrote an autobiography, ran a hotel, restaurant, cab stand, and funeral parlor, and would also become one of the first black radio disc jockeys of the state.

In the 1960s, Charles became the mayor of a mixed-raced town for 16 years, and he played a crucial role in black voter registration in Mississippi as well as the desegregation of a hospital.

His accomplishments and dedication to the black community would make Charles an inspiration to other aspiring black political leaders. When Charles decided to run for mayor in Fayette, more than 175 black men ran for office across the state. Charles's determination and refusal to quit would not go unnoticed, as he continued to fight for positions in higher offices and continued to inspire everyone he encountered.

Charles' legacy was and always will be an inspiration to all of us. He was the epitome of a leader, and his impact on the civil rights movement made history. His life demonstrated one of service, grace, and love for his family and community.

Left to cherish his memory are his ten children, three sisters, two brothers, as well as many other friends and extended family members.

IN MEMORY OF CURTIS JACOBSON

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of the late Curtis Jacobson,

a long-time resident of Detroit and Michigan's 13th Congressional District.

I first got to know Mr. Jacobson when I served as a legislator in Michigan's State House of Representatives. He was engaged and well-informed on a number of topics, ranging from current events to public policy to everyday issues facing residents of Michigan. Mr. Jacobson never shied away from sharing his opinion. My staff and I always appreciated a call from Mr. Jacobson. It was a delight to hear from him shortly after beginning my first term as U.S. Representative for Michigan's 13th District, and to continue to keep in touch with him.

Throughout his life, Mr. Jacobson had a passionate interest in politics. He sought out knowledge and thought critically about issues. He took pride in his military service, having risen in the ranks to serve as Captain in the U.S. Army. In addition, Mr. Jacobson worked as a substitute teacher before settling into a career as an accountant with the City of Detroit. He retired at the age of eighty. In addition to his work, Mr. Jacobson enjoyed playing bridge and spending time with his family. He is survived by his four children, Mary, Charles, Russel, and Marjorie; his eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

It was an honor to know Curtis Jacobson. Please join me in his recognition.

CONGRATULATING BOULDER CITY
MANAGER JANE BRAUTIGAM ON
HER RETIREMENT

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, today I wish to recognize and honor the work of an unsung hero. While elected officials across the country receive praise and notoriety for their position, it is often those behind the scenes that truly toil to execute the work needed to keep our great country going. This has never been truer than in the City of Boulder, in Colorado's Second Congressional District, which I have the honor to represent. Nowhere has a City Manager made more of an impact on her community than Jane Brautigam made on hers—on mine. This month, Jane announced her retirement, an announcement that cannot go unrecognized.

Jane was the first female City Manager and the longest serving City Manager in Boulder's history, a testament to her talent, fortitude, and commitment to public service. Among her many accomplishments, Jane guided Boulder through the 2013 floods, the most devastating rain and flood event in modern Colorado history. Earlier this year, Jane was honored by the Colorado City and County Manager's Association as City Manager of the Year. Today, Jane remains pivotal in the necessary response to the urgent crisis of COVID-19 and its unprecedented impacts on our community.

Prior to serving in Boulder, Jane worked as the City Attorney, then as the City Manager, of Loveland, CO, also in my district. In her many leadership roles, Jane strove to empower her staff and to lead by example. Above all, Jane was committed to social, economic, and racial justice.

I am grateful that Jane plans to continue supporting the development of strong city

managers in the next generation of leaders, and that she continues to serve as President of the International City/County Manager's Association. While she leaves enormously big shoes to fill in Boulder, her legacy both today and tomorrow will not be forgotten.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE KIWANIS
CLUB OF ANNISTON

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize The Kiwanis Club of Anniston Alabama's 100th Anniversary.

The first Kiwanis club started its service in Detroit, Michigan, USA in 1915, and the Kiwanis Club of Anniston, Alabama became the 277th club in the USA and the 8th club in Alabama when it was formed on August 20, 1920. Today it is one of 56 active clubs in Alabama.

The Kiwanis Club of Anniston lives up to its motto "Serving the Children of the World." The club holds its annual Pancake Day fundraiser each March and currently raises more than \$50,000 annually totaling \$700,000 for children-related causes. The Kiwanis Club of Anniston has also been participating in creating and incubating the Sarrell Dental Clinic which remains a vibrant part of the community by serving children in need of dental services, the Kiwanis Walking Trail at LaGarde Park, and by contributing to the IDD (Iodine Deficiency Disorder) and ELIMINATE (UNICEF Neo Natal Eliminate Tetanus) international programs which have had a major impact on the world.

The Kiwanis Club of Anniston sponsors and supports the activities of eleven Key Clubs in Calhoun County in the following high schools: Alexandria, Anniston, Donoho, Faith Christian, Jacksonville, Ohatchee, Oxford, Pleasant Valley, Weaver, Wellborn, and White Plains, a Builder's Club, and Circle K at Jacksonville State University.

The service provided by the Kiwanis Club of Anniston, Alabama over the past 100 years will continue to have a positive impact on the community and citizens as it celebrates its 100th Anniversary and prepares the club for the changes and challenges that lie ahead.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Kiwanis Club of Anniston for its service to our youth and community and thanking them for 100 years of service.

HONORING BARRY STERLING

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise with my colleague Congressman Mike THOMPSON today in memory of Barry Sterling who passed away on July 26, 2020 at the age of 90 after a lifetime of exemplary service to his community and the California winemaking industry.

Mr. Sterling was born in Los Angeles on October 25, 1929. He spent his formative years

living in Southern California before moving to Northern California to attend Stanford University, where his law school classmates included future Supreme Court Justices William Rehnquist and Sandra Day O'Connor. Importantly, Mr. Sterling also met Audrey Shapiro at Stanford. The two were married in 1952, and this month would have marked their 68th wedding anniversary.

Following law school, the Sterlings moved to Washington, D.C., where Mr. Sterling served in the Judge Advocate General Corps and they welcomed their daughter, Joy. Upon moving back to Los Angeles, Mr. Sterling opened his own corporate law firm and the Sterlings soon welcomed a son, Laurence. The family moved to France in 1967 where their dream of living on a vineyard was cultivated. Towards this end, they returned to California and founded Iron Horse Vineyard. Many were skeptical of this purchase given the colder climate and the prevailing theory that chardonnay and pinot noir grapes would not thrive in western Sonoma. Undaunted, the Sterlings opened their winery in 1979, with the first of their sparkling wines released in 1980.

In 1983, the Sterlings helped to establish a federal designation for their distinctive wine area, known as the Green Valley American Viticultural Area. Only a few years later, Iron Horse was served during the Geneva summit meetings between President Ronald Reagan and Soviet General Mikhail Gorbachev, ending the Cold War. Since then, Iron Horse has been consistently served at White House dinners. Iron Horse also produces wines to support charitable causes including a cuvee for ocean conservation in partnership with National Geographic and a vintage Brut that benefited the Redwood Empire Food Bank, which is the largest hunger-relief organization serving the north coast of California. In addition to winemaking, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling were founding members of the Los Angeles Music Center and the Los Angeles Art Museum. Mr. Sterling was on the board of the San Francisco Symphony, a Lifetime Trustee of the Leakey foundation, and he was actively engaged in Democratic politics. In 2005, Mr. Sterling semi-retired from running the business of Iron Horse but he remained involved in its operations until he passed away.

Mr. Sterling is survived by his wife, Audrey; children Joy, Laurence and his wife Terry; grandchildren Justine, Mike, Barrie, and Joseph; and great-grandson Calvin.

Madam Speaker, please join Rep. THOMPSON and me in extending our appreciation for Mr. Sterling's many accomplishments and relaying our deep condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues. His was a life well lived, and while he will be missed by many, Mr. Sterling's legacy will live on through the indelible positive impact he had on his family, friends, and the extended winemaking industry.

KENNETH H. GARBOWSKI

HON. DONALD NORCROSS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. NORCROSS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Glendora, New Jersey resident Kenneth H. Garbowski.

My friend, and the late Kenneth H. Garbowski was a lifelong resident of Glendora, New Jersey where he and his family lived. For 30 years Ken worked for the Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters as a council representative. Ken was politically active in New Jersey through his position as a council representative.

Ken also was a member of the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority. He later served as a councilman in Gloucester Township.

Ken was a kind, loving, and supportive husband and father. When he was not serving his township, Ken loved to golf and was an avid coin collector but most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family.

Ken was the beloved husband of Sherri, the devoted father of Samantha and Eric, and the loving brother of Edward, Dennis, and Ronald. Ken also had many loving nephews and one niece. He is predeceased by his parents Edward and Theresa.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in honoring the life and legacy of my friend Kenneth H. Garbowski, of Glendora, New Jersey, for his tireless service to his township and peers.

IN HONOR OF PEARL BARDEN

HON. RASHIDA TLAI

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. TLAI. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of ninety years of life of Ms. Pearl Barden, a resident of Inkster, Michigan for more than sixty-five years.

Born and raised in Tarsersville, Georgia, Ms. Barden moved to Inkster, Michigan at the age of fourteen. She is a proud graduate of Inkster Public Schools. In Michigan, Ms. Barden met and married the love of her life, Milton Barden, Jr., and was a devoted wife for more than fifty years. Together they nurtured and raised twelve children, emphasizing the value of education. Pearl Barden set a strong example for her family and community in the kindness she showed toward others, a trait she encouraged in her children.

Ms. Barden's children all attended Inkster Public Schools and went on to attend college or trade school. She has always been proud of their many accomplishments. Ms. Barden enjoys spending time with her family and counts twenty grandchildren, thirty-nine great grandchildren, and one great, great grandchild as the great blessings in her life. She frequently takes on the role of caregiver to her extended family by providing a meal, or a ride to school, always with love and kindness.

In addition to her active family life, Ms. Barden remains active in her community. A long-time member of Amity Baptist Church, she serves on the Usher Board and Missionary Board. She has formerly been recognized by the Inkster community as "Woman of the Year" and "Mother of the Year." Ms. Barden's interests include a passion for reading, bowling, sweet potato pie, and travel as demonstrated through her extensive travel across the United States with her children and friends. She has visited twenty-five of the fifty United States and enjoys vacationing in the Bahamas and Mexico.

Ms. Pearl Barden has built a family on the cornerstone of love and kindness and is valued in her community. Please join me in wishing her a very happy ninetieth birthday.

**CELEBRATING ALFRED
BURGREEN'S 101ST BIRTHDAY**

HON. MAX ROSE

OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to join me today in extending our best wishes for my constituent, Mr. Alfred Burgreen, for his 101st birthday. The son of European immigrants, Alfred was born in New York City on August 15, 1919. He lived through the Great Depression and went on to serve in the 82nd Airborne where he helped liberate Europe from the Nazis.

After he was wounded during the invasion of Sicily, Mr. Burgreen returned home, married Shirley Feldman, and attended Columbia University under the G.I. bill. He continued to dedicate his life to civil service and to raising a family of three children, six grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. His children describe him as an inveterate letter writer and a gracious host who is always willing to reach out and offer a friendly ear or some words of wisdom—including the three most important lessons he passed on to his children: be empathetic, get an education, and always root for the Mets.

Now, for the past 40 years, Mr. Burgreen has lived in Brooklyn surrounded by his incredibly loving support system. He's the oldest surviving member of the 82nd Airborne, a unit that he still continues to support to this day. Just a few years ago, a professor reached out to Mr. Burgreen asking for help writing his history of the 82nd Airborne. Not only did Alfred provide everything he'd kept from his days in the Army—photos, rosters, you name it—but he actually provided details about three soldiers who were listed as Missing in Action, details that might help the Army investigate and give closure to the families.

This is just one example of Alfred Burgreen's incredible compassion and ability to keep people connected. So once again, I ask all of my colleagues to join me today in thanking Mr. Alfred Burgreen for his service to our nation and in wishing this hero not just a happy 101st birthday, but many more to come.

**HONORING THE FRONTLINE EM-
PLOYEES OF GLENS FALLS HOS-
PITAL FOR THEIR HEROIC WORK
THROUGHOUT THE COVID-19 PAN-
DEMIC**

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the frontline employees of Glens Falls Hospital for their heroic work throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Working in the healthcare industry comes with a number of risks, even in the best of times. The frontline healthcare workers at

Glens Falls Hospital, who went to work each day throughout this pandemic, did so despite those risks to help their patients and the community. They have placed the health of strangers before thoughts of themselves time and time again, sacrificing time spent with their own families to care for others. This pandemic is truly an unprecedented event and each of these frontline workers have risen to the challenge, meeting the situation with great courage and tenacity. They deserve our utmost thanks and respect.

Throughout these difficult months, ensuring that the hospital has the necessary funds and supplies to combat the pandemic has been of the utmost importance to me. The Glens Falls Hospital has received over \$44 million in direct aid so that they can continue to serve the residents of the greater Glens Falls area, fully equipped to protect themselves and others. Their professionalism and expertise in handling this crisis is a model for others. The number of Coronavirus patients has been relatively low in the North Country, thanks in part to the quick response and extraordinary steps that hospital administration and staff have taken to limit the spread.

On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional district, I want to thank the frontline healthcare workers of Glens Falls Hospital for their courage and professionalism throughout this crisis. The entire community is indebted to them and I will continue to advocate for them as their Representative in Congress.

**RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF
DEPUTY DYLAN PICKLE**

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Deputy Dylan Pickle, who passed away on Sunday, July 26, while conducting a safety checkpoint.

Dylan was born on July 2, 1996, in Amory, Mississippi. At four years old, Dylan knew he wanted to wear a badge. After graduating from Amory High School, Dylan began to make that badge a reality. He pursued a degree in Criminal Justice at Itawamba Community College and joined the Army at only 17.

Joining the Army was only the beginning for Dylan. He earned a medal at Quantico and would later receive three more for his heroism in Syria, where he served as a Specialist, becoming known for his leadership and his care for others. In 2016, Dylan brought his passion for serving home and began working with the Monroe County Sheriff's Department as a patrol deputy.

Outside of his patrol duties, Dylan was a member of the First United Methodist Church. A momma's boy, Dylan always made time for his family, especially his niece and nephews, whom he adored and spoiled whenever he could. Although serving his country was his passion, he also enjoyed going to the shooting range, collecting guns, listening to country music, and of course, socializing with his friends.

Deputy Dylan Pickle's life was one of service, grace, and love for his family and community. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

Left to cherish his memory is mother, Debi Pearson; sister, Kristin Vuncannon; brother, Drew Pickle; step-sister, Kayla Pearson; as well as many other friends and extended family members.

**HONORING GERALDINE GONZALES-
ROMERO**

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, the country has lost a beloved community member in Denver, a matriarch of the Chicano Movement.

Geraldine Gonzales-Romero, known as Jerry, was born in Brighton, Colorado in 1931, and married Rudolfo Corky Gonzales in 1949. Jerry was part of the Romero family, one of the oldest families in the San Luis Valley, an area of Colorado from which my own wife's family originates. Jerry and Corky had eight children, 19 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren, many of whom have followed in the footsteps of Jerry and Corky with their own advocacy, activism, and public service.

A true American hero, Jerry was a giant whose sacrifices and relentless pursuit of equality paved the road for so many of us who stand here now. Commemorations of her family include the Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales branch of Denver Public Library which opened 2015.

As a nation we once again find ourselves in a critical moment in the struggle for equity and justice, and it is people like Jerry Gonzales-Romero who inspire us with her life-long work on behalf of her community.

I thank Ms. Gonzales-Romero for her enduring spirit and example.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ADAM KINZINGER

OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KINZINGER. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present to cast votes on July 27, 30, and 31. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 167; NAY on Roll Call No. 173; NAY on Roll Call No. 174; NAY on Roll Call No. 175; NAY on Roll Call No. 176; YEA on Roll Call No. 177; and NAY on Roll Call No. 178.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE
RETIREMENT OF DAVID FORD**

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize the retirement of David Ford.

David recently announced his retirement from Berman Museum of World History in Anniston, Alabama, after serving as assistant director for the past 13 years.

He is a 1970 graduate of Anniston High School and was a member of the last class to

graduate from the old high school on Leighton Avenue. He was drum major of the Anniston High School Marching Band.

David is a graduate of Jacksonville State University where he served as editor of *The Chanticleer*.

He also served in the United States Air Force as a pharmacy technician.

Prior to his time at the museum, Ford worked to improve the situation at the Calhoun County Humane Society and before that spent his career working in journalism at WDNG radio station in Anniston writing and broadcasting stories about the lives of people in Calhoun County. He was a Public Information Officer for the Calhoun County EMA and worked in civil service for several years as a technical writer for the Anniston Army Depot and as Press Secretary for former Alabama Governor Bob Riley. His professional life has been one dedicated to public service.

When David left WDNG, the Anniston mayor and city council presented him with the Key to the City.

David had a personal relationship with the Berman Museum chief benefactors, Farley and Germaine Berman, and that connection was evident in his work at the museum. He spent many of his days giving groups special tours of the facility and his natural ability of story-telling made the position the perfect fit.

David won't slow down much with retirement as he was just named president of the Anniston Morning Rotary Club, a member of the Anniston Runners Club, a volunteer at the Anniston Soup Bowl and serves as senior warden at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

At St. Michael's, he is also a member of the Parish Choir, a Lay Eucharistic Minister and Docent, member of the Archives and History Committee. As Senior Warden, he also serves as a member of the Executive Committee, the Endowment Committee and the Board of Directors of St. Michael's Medical Clinic.

He has been active in the affairs of the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, frequently representing St. Michael and All Angels as a delegate to annual Diocesan conventions. He has served in nearly every leadership capacity possible at St. Michael and All Angels and is a graduate of the Education for Ministry program of The Episcopal Church, a multiple-year intensive study for lay persons, under the auspices of The University of the South.

David is married to Jo Rhea and they have one son, John David.

He is the son of Melvin and Doris Ford, of Oxford and has three siblings.

He enjoys cooking and can be found around town wearing his signature bowtie and pocket square. As a lifelong lover of history and a voracious reader, he plans to spend his new free time writing.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the career of my friend, David Ford, and wishing him the best in his retirement.

UTAH CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE RECOGNITION ON JULY 31, 2020

HON. BEN McADAMS

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. McADAMS. Madam Speaker, local businesses are the engines that drive economic

growth and jobs in Utah. The support Utah small businesses receive from local Chambers of Commerce is important in good times. During this pandemic, the 20 Chambers in Utah's 4th Congressional District have been a critical source for information and shared resources.

Chamber leaders and Chamber members are integral to their customers and their communities. They know each other's history, challenges, wins, and losses. They share a common goal of serving the needs of hard-working Utah families and providing those families with an income, benefits and an economic ladder to climb.

During this COVID-19 crisis, these Chambers have had to be innovative, and to find new platforms from which to communicate with their members. They've taken on the assignment of learning about business loans, relief programs and unemployment information from local, state and federal agencies. Not only do they worry about their own businesses and family member, they've shouldered the responsibility of looking out for their membership as well.

I would like to highlight and thank the American Fork Chamber, Chamber West, Holladay Chamber, Mount Pleasant Area Chamber, Murray Chamber, Nephi Chamber, Pacific Islander Chamber, Salt Lake Chamber, South Jordan Chamber, South Salt Lake Chamber, South Valley Chamber, South West Valley Chamber, Utah Asian Chamber, Utah Black Chamber, Utah Hispanic Chamber, Utah Gay and Lesbian Chamber, West Jordan Chamber, Payson-Santaquin Chamber, Point of the Mountain Chamber, and the Utah Valley Chamber.

Our fight against the coronavirus goes on. The economic recovery, when it happens, may be much slower than any of us want. We have never needed small business champions more than we do now. I thank the leaders of the Utah Chambers of Commerce for ensuring that the evolving needs of their members—our vital small businesses, employees and hard-working families—are met.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF WILLIAM K. NICHOLS

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Deputy William Nichols, who passed away on Wednesday, July 22, after heroically rescuing his son from a rip current at Fort Walton Beach.

William was born on January 15, 1987, in Clarksdale, Mississippi. He was a humble and kind man who always put others before himself. His passion for search and rescue began at a young age after watching his father oversee the county's search-and-rescue unit. His love for others, coupled with his selflessness, allowed him to follow in his father's footsteps and pursue a career in search-and-rescue with DeSoto County.

He began his career as a volunteer and would later serve as a senior officer and Sergeant with the sheriffs department. Like his father, he was then promoted to director of the search-and-rescue unit and would oversee the unit for the following seven years.

Outside of his passion for search-and-rescue, William was a faithful member of Cornerstone Church and served as the Explorer Advisor through the Boy Scouts of America. Other than holding numerous specialized certifications in his field, William also served as a NASCAR instructor and lead evaluator and was also an NRA instructor.

William died a hero, and his heroism will not be forgotten as William's last act of service was saving his son. His life was one of service, grace, and love for his family and community. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Lindsay Nichols; his daughter, Leah Langston; and his son, William Nichols; as well as many other friends and extended family members.

CITIZEN COSPONSORS OF THE GEORGE FLOYD JUSTICE IN POLICING ACT

HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, on June 25, the House passed the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act to address systemic racism and police misconduct, increase accountability and transparency, and change the culture of law enforcement. Since passage, thousands of Americans have visited the website JusticeInPolicing.us to learn about the bill, weigh in with their support, and sign on as citizen cosponsor in support. I would like to include in the RECORD the following names of citizen cosponsors:

Traci B Jones, Chesapeake, VA; Leslie Prétot, Sacramento, CA; Yvonne Yancey, Portland, ME; William M Cabrol, Thousand Oaks, CA; Dorinda Miller, Sacramento, CA; Donna Meers, Lexington, KY; Roger Shepherd, San Francisco, CA; Sarah Travis, Washington, DC; Lawrence Espinoza, Lakewood, WA; Elizabeth Callahan, Jersey City, NJ; Jennifer Trybom, Cibola, TX; Keith Martin, Los Angeles, CA; Keyandra Martin, Madisonville, TN; Keri Lyn Rodriguez, Verona, PA; James Riggle, Mansfield, OH; Tavi Greiner, Shallotte, NC; Courtney Allen, Freeport, NY; Kylie Forster, Belmar, NJ; Ren, San Jose, CA; Larry Waatkens, Roswell, GA.

Debra Eastman, Mount Vernon, WA; Folashade Egun, Alpharetta, GA; Joey Bailey, Washougal, WA; Jesus Cadena, Long Beach, CA; Stephen Chambers, Austin, TX; James Nova, New York, NY; Taylor Rovin, Ann Arbor, MI; Lucy Rowles-Springer, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Mary Songer, Stockholm, NJ; Amy Rovin, Milwaukee, WI; Nathaniel Egun, Alpharetta, GA; T. Christian Heyne, Washington, DC; Cynthia Wheeler, Black Diamond, WA; Debbie Saag, Rockville, MD; Kimberly Garcia, Oakley, CA; Cindy Colkitt, Sequim, WA; Andrew Collins, Grand Rapids, MI; Brian Foster, Emeryville, CA; Jessica Peters, Chicago, IL; David Lane, Rochester, NY.

Roxanne Guidry, Saint Paul, MN; Eric, Arcadia, CA; Francine Shannon, Southbury, CT; Ryan Manzer, Monterey, CA; Stephanie Meade, Grand Rapids, MI; Christopher Beauchamp, Greenville, NC; Patrick Schork, Berkeley, CA; Judy Posey, Denver, CO; Dr. BunnyCat, Minneapolis, MN; Elizabeth Corcoran, Chicago, IL; Jennifer Beers, Beverly, MA; Deirdre Hall, Fort Lee, NJ; Dona Rogers, Phoenix, AZ; Christine Mahackian, Fresno, CA; Lauren Rovin, Chicago, IL; Bryant

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 12:26 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5390.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 5428, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct Federal research on grid modernization and security, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–474). **Page H4229**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hoyer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4229**

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 12 noon and adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Wednesday, August 12

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Friday, August 14

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Program for Wednesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

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