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Senate

The Senate met at 10:47 and 39 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable CHRIS VAN HOLLEN, a Senator from the State of Maryland.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The assistant parliamentarian read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, Washington, DC, August 15, 2023.

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHRIS VAN HOLLEN, a

Senator from the State of Maryland, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY, President pro tempore.

Mr. VAN HOLLEN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. In my capacity as the Senator from Maryland, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the order of July 27, 2023, I be recognized to ask consent to modify that order.

Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. In my capacity as the Senator from Maryland, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the order of July 27, 2023, the Senate, having now convened today, not convene at 12 noon as previously ordered, and that when it adjourns today, it stand adjourned as under the previous order until 1 p.m. on Friday, August 18, 2023, and that all other provisions of the July 27th order remain in effect.

Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023, AT 1 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Friday, August 18, 2023.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10:49 and 8 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, August 18, 2023, at 1 p.m.

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