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Senate

The Senate met at 12:01 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TIM KAINE, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The bill clerk read the following let-

U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, Washington, DC, February 15, 2013. To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TIM KAINE, a Senator from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY, President pro tempore.

Mr. KAINE thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Michigan.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order to consider H. Con. Res. 15, which was received earlier today.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so or-

CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR THE HOUSE AND RECESS OF SENATE

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that H. Con. Res. 15 be agreed to.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so or-

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 15) was agreed to, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 15

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on any legislative day from Friday, February 15, 2013, through Thursday, February 21, 2013, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, February 25, 2013, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate recesses or adjourns on Friday, February 15, 2013, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Monday, February 25, 2013, or such other time on that day as may be specified in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, or their respective designees, acting jointly after con-

sultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREE-MENT—READING OF WASHING-TON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the resolution of the Senate of January 24, 1901, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place on Monday, February 25, following the prayer and pledge; further, that Senator AYOTTE be recognized to deliver the address, and that following the conclusion of the reading, the Senate proceed to morning business under the previous order.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so or-

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013, AT 2 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m., Monday, February 25, 2013, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 15.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12:02 and 26 seconds p.m., adjourned until Monday, February 25, 2013, at 2 p.m.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

