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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 and 6 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable CHUCK GRASSLEY, a Senator from the State of Iowa.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. HATCH).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 20, 2016.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the standing rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CHUCK GRASSLEY, a Senator from the State of Iowa, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ORRIN G. HATCH, President pro tempore.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2016, AT 11:30 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m. on Friday, December 23, 2016.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9:30 and 35 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, December 23, 2016, at 11:30 a.m.

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

