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House of Representatives

The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 2, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ALEXANDER X. MOONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Gene Hemrick, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

O Lord, Creator of the Sun, season of spring, and their power to generate light-producing life that blesses us with the fruits of the land, please bless our Congress with the wisdom that made this possible.

May Your blessed inspiration enable its elected Members to enhance our country's physical and spiritual growth during this spring of 2018. Thank You for the life-giving rhythms of the four seasons You created that is the heart of our existence.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 796, 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 2(b) of House Resolution 796, the House stands adjourned until noon on Thursday, April 5, 2018.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday April 5, 2018, at noon.

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. ENGEL (for himself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. POCAN):

H.R. 5423. A bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MARSHALL:

H.R. 5424. A bill to authorize the Society of the First Infantry Division to make modifications to the First Division Monument located on Federal land in Presidential Park, District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself and Ms. DELAURO):

H.R. 5425. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to strengthen requirements related to nutrient information on food labels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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. ENGEL:

H.R. 5423.

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

Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. MARSHALL:

H.R. 5424.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 of the United States Constitution, which grants Congress the power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States.

By Mr. PALLONE:

H.R. 5425.

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

Article 1, Section 8, clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution. That provision gives Congress the power "to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 137: Mr. CICILLINE.

H.R. 1134: Mr. SCHNEIDER.

H.R. 1206: Mr. GRAVES of Missouri and Mr. COOK.

H.R. 1411: Mr. MACARTHUR.

H.R. 1676: Mr. MEEKS.

H.R. 1861: Mr. BOST, Mr. POCAN, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.

H.R. 2158: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 2321: Mr. CRAMER.

H.R. 2598: Ms. CASTOR of Florida and Mr. ROSKAM.

H.R. 2652: Mr. CAPUANO and Mr. MARSHALL.

H.R. 2841: Mr. CONNOLLY.

H.R. 3871: Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 4099: Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, and Ms. JENKINS of Kansas.

H.R. 4312: Mr. OLSON.

H.R. 4471: Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. HASTINGS.

H.R. 4525: Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 4548: Ms. ROSEN.

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