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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 10, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Alisa Lasater Wiloo, Capitol Hill United Methodist Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Let us join with the Psalm writer who prays, "Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord."

Lord, we cry out to You today from the depths of our blessings. We thank You for this great land, the leaders of this Chamber, their tireless staffs, and the gorgeous array of people that make up America.

Lord, we cry out today aware of fires raging around our Nation. We pray for the people of California and the courageous firefighters. Rain down Your mercy and fan in us a passion to care for the land and all who live upon it.

Lord, we also cry out to You from the depths of the pain and division in our country. Free us from our own biases and extinguish any hate so Your bridge-building love can blaze brightly in us.

Finally, Lord, we cry out for all who are home in their districts this month. Refresh their passion to serve, and help them, like Moses, see the burning bushes in their midst, places where You call us to hear the suffering of

Your people and respond with life-changing leadership.

May it be so for each of us.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 1012, 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.

RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 8, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER RYAN: In light of recent events, I am respectfully requesting to be temporarily removed from my position on the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

I fully intend to resume said position as an active member of the committee, upon a successful resolution of pending legal matters.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRIS COLLINS,
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted. There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM VETERANS LIAISON, THE HONORABLE FRANK LOBIONDO, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Michael Francis, Veterans Liaison, the Honorable FRANK LOBIONDO, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 1, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for documents issued by the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I will make the determinations required by Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL FRANCIS,
Veterans Liaison—Office of
Rep. Frank A. LoBiondo.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 1012, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 14, 2018, 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:

5915. A letter from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's annual report for calendar year 2017; to the Committee on Agriculture.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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