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House of Representatives

called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

September 20, 2018. I hereby appoint the Honorable LUKE MESSER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Dan C. Cummins, Peoples Church, Jacksonville, Texas, offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, bless this House, its Members and families, and the families of every house recovering from Florence.

Hear us Lord in the day of our calamity. Send us help and deliverance from Your sanctuary according to the depth of Your mercy and the goodness of Your heart.

Spare us from the arrows of our enemies. Forgive our presumptuous sins. Cleanse us from our secret faults. Then we will rejoice in Your salvation. And in the name of the most High, then will we know that it is the Lord who saves His people. By the saving strength of Your right hand that You hear us from Your holy heaven.

Some may trust in chariots and horses, but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

Let the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord.

In Jesus' name, amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution

The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was 1059, 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of **Representatives:**

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Washington, DC, September 18, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 18, 2018, at 11:11 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 2554. That the Senate passed with an amend-

ment H.R. 6. With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, September 18, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN, The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 18, 2018, at 3:10 p.m.:

That the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of the conference H.R. 6157.

With best wishes, I am, Sincerely.

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable NANCY PELOSI. Democratic Leader:

SEPTEMBER 19, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20944), I hereby reappoint Dr. Philip B. Stark of Berkeley, CA to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors.

Thank you for your attention to his appointment.

Sincerely.

NANCY PELOSI. House Democratic Leader.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 97. An act to enable civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies by private and public institutions, to expand theoretical and practical knowledge of nuclear physics, chemistry, and materials science, and for other purposes.

S. 2946. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of the

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