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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 11, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable LISA BLUNT ROCHESTER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Loving God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

At the end of the third week of the government shutdown, we ask Your blessing once again upon the Members of the people's House and all those whose efforts are needed, together, to bring an end to it.

Pour out Your spirit of wisdom, and banish from all those involved the dark spirit of pride.

Bless our Nation in the weekend to come, and may all that is done within the people's House be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Mrs.

CRAIG) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. CRAIG 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

RECOGNIZING LIZ DUNBAR

(Mr. KILMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KILMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Liz Dunbar for her many years of transformative public service on behalf of folks in my region.

As executive director of Tacoma Community House, Liz has been an unyielding advocate for social justice. Liz has lived a life of service. She spent 25 years at the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, where she worked in several capacities, including State refugee coordinator, diversity director, assistant secretary for economic services, and, ultimately, as the deputy secretary of the department for 6 years.

But 10 years ago, Liz stepped into her role at Tacoma Community House, an extraordinary 100-year-old organization dedicated to empowering immigrants and ensuring that all people in the greater Puget Sound region can live with dignity and achieve their personal and professional goals.

Each year, Tacoma Community House serves approximately 3,500 clients from more than 100 different countries through its four core programs of employment, education, immigration, and advocacy.

Madam Speaker, Liz Dunbar has made a difference. She has helped thousands of people get the chance to realize the American Dream.

So I rise today on behalf of our community to thank Liz and to recognize her for a career well spent in public service.

HONORING CHAPLAIN G. WILLIAM BRYAN

(Mr. BUDD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, legacy, and ministry of Chaplain G. William Bryan. I just knew him as Chaplain Bill.

He was a fellow alum of Dallas Theological Seminary and was most widely known as DTS' beloved chaplain. To many, he was a friend and encourager. To Shirley, he was a devoted husband. He was the father of three, grandfather to nine, and a spiritual mentor to many, including me and my wife, Amy Kate.

I will never forget, when tragedy struck my family a few decades ago, that Chaplain Bryan was one of the first to reach out with comforting words, prayer, and follow-up. His role as chaplain served thousands every year, but when you saw him, you felt as if you were connecting with a best friend.

Chaplain Bill was also known to play his trumpet with full vigor. As a student at DTS, I avoided the front row in chapel for fear he might actually explode during the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Chaplain Bill, we will miss you down here, but we look forward to joining you in the everlasting song, with your trumpet at full tilt, as we crown Him Lord of all.

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