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Senate
The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at 9:30 a.m.

House of Representatives
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RASKIN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:
WASHINGTON, DC, March 18, 2019.
I hereby appoint the Honorable JAMIE RASKIN 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:
Gracious and Merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.
In this Chamber, where the people’s House gathers, we pause to offer You gratitude for the gift of this good land on which we live, and for this great Nation which You have inspired in developing over so many years. Continue to inspire the American people, that through the difficulties of these days, we might keep liberty and justice alive in our Nation, and in the world.
Bless all the Members who are home meeting with constituents or traveling to gather information and knowledge about the issues that are pertinent to their work in committees. May their presence among others be an inspiration for all considering public service.
May all that is done this week be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 208, 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,
Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
DEAR MADAM 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 March 14, 2019, at 3:02 p.m.:
That the Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 7.
That the Senate agreed to without amendment H.J. Res. 46.
With best wishes, I am.
Sincerely,
CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk of the House.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled joint resolution was signed by the Speaker on Thursday, March 14, 2019:
H.J. Res. 46, Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019.

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,
Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on March 15, 2019 at 4:42 p.m., said to contain a message from the President returning without his approval H.J. Res. 46, a Joint Resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019.
With best wishes, I am.
Sincerely,
CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk of the House.
RELATING TO A NATIONAL EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE PRESIDENT ON FEBRUARY 15, 2019—VETO MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 116-22)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following veto message from the President of the United States:

To the House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith without my approval H.J. Res. 46, a joint resolution that would terminate the national emergency I declared regarding the crisis on our southern border in Proclamation 9844 on February 15, 2019, pursuant to the National Emergencies Act.

As demonstrated by recent statistics published by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and explained in testimony given by the Secretary of Homeland Security on March 6, 2019, before the House Committee on Homeland Security, our porous southern border continues to be a magnet for lawless migration and criminals and has created a border security and humanitarian crisis that endangers every American alone. CBP apprehended more than 76,000 aliens improperly attempting to enter the United States along the southern border—the largest monthly total in the last 5 years. In fiscal year 2018, CBP seized more than 290,000 pounds of drugs at our southern border, including 24,000 pounds of cocaine, 64,000 pounds of methamphetamine, 5,000 pounds of heroin, and 1,800 pounds of fentanyl. In fiscal years 2017 and 2018, immigration officers nationwide made 266,000 arrests of aliens previously charged with or convicted of crimes. These crimes included approximately 100,000 assaults, 30,000 sex crimes, and 4,000 killings. In other words, aliens coming across our border or killed thousands of people, while drugs flowing through the border have killed hundreds of thousands of Americans.

The current situation requires our frontline border enforcement personnel to vastly increase their humanitarian efforts. Along their dangerous trek to the United States, 1 in 3 migrant women experiences sexual abuse, and 7 in 10 migrants are victims of violence. Fifty migrants per day are referred for review and few ever succeed in this country, they stay nonetheless. My highest obligation as President is to protect the Nation and its people. Every day, the crisis on our border is deepening, and with new surges of migrants expected in the coming months, we are straining our border enforcement personnel and resources to the breaking point.

H.J. Res. 46 ignores these realities. It is a dangerous resolution that would undermine United States sovereignty and threaten the lives and safety of countless Americans. It is, therefore, my duty to return it to the House of Representatives without my approval.

DONALD J. TRUMP,

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The objection of the President will be spread at large upon the Journal, and the veto message and the joint resolution will be printed as a House document.

Without objection, further consideration of the veto message and the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 46, is postponed until the legislative day of March 26, 2019.

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF MEMBER, THE HONORABLE MAXINE WATERS, MEMBER OF CONGRESS.

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Tiayana Walker, Staff Member, the Honorable Maxine Waters, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, DC, March 6, 2019.

Hon. Nancy Pelosi,
Speaker of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Madam 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 testimony as a witness in a criminal trial issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York. After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I will make the determinations required by Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

Tiayana Walker.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee:

Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Arizona
Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois
Mr. MARCHANT, Texas
Ms. HERRELLA BEUTLER, Washington

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO GOVERNING BOARD OF THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment, pursuant to section 104(c) of House Resolution 6, 116th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics:

Nominated by the Speaker after consultation with the minority leader:

Mr. David Skaggs, Colorado, Chair

Mr. James M. Eagen, III, Colorado

Mr. Leon Acton Westmoreland, Georgia

Nominated by the minority leader after consultation with the Speaker:

Ms. Allison R. Hayward, Virginia, Chair

Mr. David J. Cicilline, Rhode Island

Mr. Jimmy Wu, California

Mr. David West, California

Ms. Karon English, Arizona

Mr. Mike Barnes, Maryland, alternate

Ms. Jerri-Ann F. Thomsen, Colorado, alternate

Ms. Sarah McBride, Delaware, alternate

Mr. Dean A. Spilka, Massachusetts, alternate

Ms. Jo Ann Emerson, Missouri, alternate

Mr. Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment, pursuant to section 306(k) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individual on the part of the House to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a term of 4 years:

Dr. Vickie M. Mays, Los Angeles, California

REAPPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON VITAL AND HEALTH STATISTICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker’s reappointment, pursuant to section 306(k) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individual on the part of the House to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a term of 4 years:

Dr. Vickie M. Mays, Los Angeles, California
March 18, 2019

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE H2751

PUBLICATION OF COMMITTEE RULES

RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE FOR THE 116TH CONGRESS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE,
WASHINGTON, DC, March 15, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to Rule XI, Clause 2(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I respectfully submit the rules of the 116th Congress for the Committee on Energy and Commerce for publication in the Congressional Record. The Committee adopted these rules by a voice vote, a quorum being present, at our organizational meeting on Thursday, January 24, 2019.

Sincerely,
FRANK PALLONE, JR.
Chairman.

RULE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) Rules of the Committee. The Rules of the House are the rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce (the “Committee”) and its subcommittees so far as is applicable. (b) Rules of the Subcommittees. Each subcommittee of the Committee is part of the Committee and is subject to the authority and direction of the Committee as to its rules so far as is applicable. Written rules adopted by the Committee, not inconsistent with the Rules of the House, shall be binding on each subcommittee of the Committee.

RULE 2. BUSINESS MEETINGS/Markups

(a) Regular Meeting Days. The Committee shall meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m., for the consideration of bills, resolutions, or other business, if the House is in session on that day. If the House is not in session on that day and the Committee has not met during such month, the Committee shall meet at the earliest practicable opportunity when the House is again in session. The chairman of the Committee may, at his or her discretion, cancel, delay, or defer any meeting required under this section, after consultation with the ranking minority member.

(b) Additional Meetings. The chairman may call and convene, as he or she considers necessary, additional meetings of the Committee for the consideration of any bill or resolution or for the consideration of the Committee for the conduct of other Committee business. The Committee shall meet for such purposes pursuant to the call of the chairman.

(c) Notice. The time, place, and subject matter of any meeting of the Committee (other than a hearing) shall be announced at least 36 hours (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays except when the House is in session on such days) in advance of the commencement of such meeting. In no event shall such meeting commence earlier than the third calendar day (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays except when the House is in session on such a day) on which the meeting is announced.

(d) Agenda. The agenda for each Committee meeting, setting out all items of business to be considered, shall be provided to each member of the Committee at least 36 hours in advance of such meeting.

(e) Availability of Texts. No bill, recommendation, or other matter shall be considered by the Committee unless the text of the matter, together with an explanation, has been available to members of the Committee for three days (or 24 hours in the case of a substitute for introduced legislation). Such explanation shall include a summary of the major provisions of the legislation, an explanation of the purpose of the legislation to present law, and a summary of the need for the legislation.

(f) Waiver. The requirements of subsections (c), (d), and (e) may be waived by a majority of those present and voting (a majority being present) of the Committee or by the chairman or the ranking member, as the case may be.

RULE 3. HEARINGS

(a) Notice. The date, time, place, and subject matter of any hearing of the Committee shall be announced in writing in advance of the commencement of such hearing, unless a determination is made in accordance with clause 2(g)(3) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House that it is good cause to begin the hearing sooner.

(b) Memorandum. Each member of the Committee shall be provided, except in the case of a hearing, with a memorandum at least 48 hours before each hearing explaining (1) the purpose of the hearing and (2) the names of any witnesses.

(c) Witnesses. Each witness who is to appear before the Committee shall file with the clerk of the Committee, at least two working days in advance of his or her appearance, a statement of the purpose of the appearance, a summary of his or her qualifications, and a copy of any brief or document relating to the subject matter of the appearance.

(d) Questioning. (1) The right to interrogate the witnesses before the Committee shall alternate between majority and minority members, each member limited to no more than 30 minutes for each side. The chairman or, in the temporary absence of the chairman, the ranking member of the Committee present shall preside at the meeting or hearing.

2. With clause 2(h)(4) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House that there is good cause to begin the hearing before the House is in session on that day. If the House is not in session on that day and the Committee has not met during such month, the Committee shall meet at the earliest practicable opportunity when the House is again in session. The chairman of the Committee may, at his or her discretion, cancel, delay, or defer any meeting required under this section, after consultation with the ranking minority member.

3. To the greatest extent practicable, the written testimony of each witness appearing in a nonconfidential capacity shall include a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts or foreign government contracts and payments related to the subject matter of the hearing received during the current calendar year or either of the two preceding calendar years by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness. The disclosure shall include (1) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.

4. Except as provided by the Rules of the House, each meeting and hearing of the Committee for the transaction of business, including the markup of legislation, and each hearing shall be open to the public, includ-
or a subcommittee, after consultation with the ranking minority member of the Committee or subcommittee, may (A) postpone further proceedings when a record vote is ordered that would involve the approval of a measure or matter or on adopting an amendment; and (B) resume proceedings on a postponed question at any time after reasonable notice. When the Committee is on a postponed question, notwithstanding any intervening order for the previous question, an underlying proposition shall remain subject to further discussion to the extent as when the question was postponed.

(c) Archived Records. The records of the Committee at the National Archives and Records Administration shall be available for public use in accordance with Rule VII of the Rules of the House. The chairman shall notify the ranking minority member of any decision, pursuant to clause 3(b)(3) or clause 4 of the Rule, to withhold a record pursuant to clause 3(b) of the Rule.

RULE 8. SUBCOMMITTEES

(a) Estabishment. There shall be such standing subcommittees with such jurisdiction and size as determined by the majority party caucus of the Committee. The jurisdiction, number, and size of the subcommittees shall be determined by the majority party caucus prior to the start of the process for establishing subcommittee chairmanships and assignments.

(b) Powers and Duties. Each subcommittee is authorized to hold hearings, receive testimony, mark up legislation, and report to the full committee on matters referred to it. Subcommittee chairmen shall set hearing and meeting dates only with the approval of the subcommittee chairman and ranking minority member.

(c) Organization. The majority caucus of the Committee shall determine an appropriate ratio of majority to minority party members for each subcommittee and the chairman shall allocate that ratio with the minority party, provided that the ratio of party members on each subcommittee shall be no less favorable to the majority than the ratio as determined by the commission. The chairman shall ensure that such ratio provide for a majority of less than two majority members.

(d) Selection of Subcommittee Members. Prior to any organizational meeting held by the Committee, the majority and minority caucuses shall select their respective members of the standing subcommittees.

(e) Ex Officio Members. The chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee shall be ex officio members with voting privileges of each subcommittee, and they shall be treated as members of that subcommittee.

RULE 9. OPENING STATEMENTS

(a) Written Statements. All closing statements for Members (including, at the discretion of the chairman, the chairman and ranking minority member) to one meeting shall be limited to 5 minutes each for an opening statement. In addition, the full committee chairman and ranking minority member of the subcommittee shall be limited to 5 minutes each for an opening statement.

(b) Additional Staff Appointments. In addition to the professional staff appointed pursuant to clause 9 of Rule X of the House of Representatives, the chairman of the Committee shall be entitled to make such appointments to the professional and clerical staff of the Committee as the chairman, with the approval of the subcommittee chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee, may deem advisable.

(c) Advisory Staff. The Chairman shall ensure that sufficient staff is made available to the Committee to carry out its responsibilities under the rules of the Committee.

RULE 10. REFERENCE OF LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS

All legislation and other matters referred to the Committee shall be referred to the subcommittee of appropriate jurisdiction within two weeks of the date of receipt by the Committee unless: (1) action is taken by the full Committee within those two weeks, or (2) by majority vote of the members of the Committee, consideration is to be by the full Committee. The legislation or other matters within the jurisdiction of more than one subcommittee, the chairman of the Committee may, in his or her discretion, refer the matter to one or more additional subcommittees for consideration in sequence (subject to appropriate time limitations), either on its initial referral or after the matter has been referred by the subcommittee of primary jurisdiction. Such authority shall include the authority to refer such legislation or matter to an ad hoc subcommittee appointed by the chairman, with the approval of the Committee, and the members of the subcommittees having legislative or oversight jurisdiction.

RULE 11. MANAGING LEGISLATION ON THE HOUSE FLOOR

The chairman, in his or her discretion, shall designate which member shall manage legislation reported by the Committee to the House.

RULE 12. COMMITTEE PROFESSIONAL AND CLERICAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS

(a) Delegation of Staff. Whenever the chairman of the Committee determines that an individual other than the Committee member shall be entitled to perform the duties of the Committee member, he or she may designate such individual to perform the duties of the Committee member, or to carry out a matter to one or more additional subcommittees in carrying out its responsibilities.

(b) Services of Members of the Committee. Except as otherwise provided by law, any member of the Committee shall be entitled to make such appointments to the professional and clerical staff of the Committee as the Committee may deem advisable.

RULE 13. SUPERVISION, DUTIES OF STAFF

(a) Administration of Committee Budget. The chairman of the Committee, in consultation with the ranking minority member, shall be responsible for the administration of the Committee's budget. The Committee shall be entitled to make such appointments to the professional and clerical staff, travel, investigations, equipment, and miscellaneous expenses of the Committee and the subcommittees, which shall be adequate to fully discharge the Committee’s responsibilities for legislation and oversight.

(b) Monthly Expenditures Report. Committee members shall be furnished a copy of each monthly report, prepared by the chairman for the Committee on House Administration, which shows expenditures during the reporting period and cumulative for the year by the Committee and subcommittees, anticipated expenditures for the projected Committee program, and detailed information on travel.

RULE 14. COMMITTEE BUDGET

Any meeting or hearing that is open to the public may be covered in whole or in part by radio or television or still photography, subject to the requirements of clause 4 of Rule XI of the Rules of the House. The coverage of other subcommittees of the Committee or any subcommittee thereof by television, radio, or still photography shall be
under the direct supervision of the chairman of the Committee, the subcommittee chairman, or other member of the Committee presiding at such hearing or other proceeding and may be amended by such member in accordance with the Rules of the House.

RULE 16. SUBPOENA POWER

The power to authorize and issue subpoenas is delegated to the chairman of the full Committee, as provided for under section 2(m)(3)(A)(i) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives. The chairman shall notify the ranking minority member prior to issuing any subpoena issued under this authority. To the extent practicable, the chairman shall consult with the ranking minority member at least 72 hours in advance of a subpoena issued under such authority. The chairman shall report to the members of the Committee on the issuance of a subpoena as soon as practicable but in no event later than one week after issuance of such subpoena.

RULE 17. TRAVEL OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

(a) Approval of Travel. Consistent with the primary expense resolution and such additional provisions as may be approved, travel to be reimbursed from funds set aside for the Committee for any member or any staff member shall be paid only upon the prior authorization of the chairman. Travel may be authorized by the chairman for any member and any staff member in connection with the attendance of hearings conducted by the Committee or any subcommittee thereof and meetings, conferences, and investigations that involve activities or subject matter under the general jurisdiction of the Committee. Before authorization is given, there shall be submitted to the chairman in writing the following: (1) the purpose of the travel; (2) the dates and the route of travel; (3) the date or dates of the event for which the travel is being made; (4) the location of the event for which the travel is to be made; and (5) the names of members and staff seeking authorization.

(b) Approval of Travel by Minority Members and Staff. In the case of travel by minority party members and minority party staff members for the purpose set out in (a), the prior approval, not only of the chairman but also of the ranking minority member, shall be obtained. Prior authorization shall be given by the chairman only upon the representation by the ranking minority member in writing setting forth those items enumerated in (1), (2), (3), and (4) of paragraph (a).

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

395. A letter from the Chairman, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, transmitting the Commission’s report; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and Oversight.

396. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter notifying the Congress that the final report concerning section 914(d)(3) of the Carl Levin and the Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law 113-291) will be submitted by May 31, 2019; to the Committee on Armed Services.

397. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the Secretary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as Amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act: Providing Equitable Services to Eligible Private School Children, Teachers, and Families received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

398. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Student Assistance General Provisions, Federal Perkins Loan Program, Federal Work-Study Program, William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, and Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant Programs [Doc. ID: ED-2015-OPE-0038 (RIN: 1840-AD19)] received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

399. A letter from the Associate Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Connect America Fund [WC Docket No.: 10-90] received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

400. A letter from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 [CG Docket Nos.: 00-323, 01-262, 01-378, 02-102, 03-198; Public Law 104-205, Sec. 314; (114 Stat. 2318); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

401. A letter from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Reconsideration and/or Declaratory Ruling and Retroactive Waiver of 47 CFR Sec. 64.1200(a)(4)(i)(V) Regarding the Commission’s Opt-Out Notice Requirement for Faxes Sent with the Recipient’s Prior Express Permission [CG Docket Nos.: 04-98, 06-327; Public Law 109-232, Sec. 314; (115 Stat. 1598); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

402. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 of April 12, 2010, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1237) and 50 U.S.C. 1768(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1267); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

403. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the FY 2018 Annual Report of the Interagency Group on U.S. Government-Sponsored International Exchanges and Training, pursuant to Sec. 112(f) and (g) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (Public Law 87-256), as amended, (22 U.S.C. Secs. 2460(f) and (g)); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

404. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Vice Chairman, Executive Director, Administration and Conference Services, transmitting the Conference’s notice — Adoption of Recommendations received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5525(h); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

405. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting a notification of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3343(a); Public Law 106-255, Sec. 104(a); (114 Stat. 1517-277); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

406. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Vice Chairman, Executive Director, Administration and Conference Services, transmitting the Conference’s notice — Adoption of Recommendations received March 15, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5525(h); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

407. A letter from the Staff Director, Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting a copy of the charter for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights state advisory committees, pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 41 C.F.R. Sec. 102-3.79, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

408. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s Designation of Additional Members of the Special Exposure Cohort under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 and 42 C.F.R. pt. 83, Designating a Class of Employees from Y-12 Plant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

409. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the 31st Annual Report of Accomplishments under the Airport Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2017, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 47331(a); Public Law 103-272, Sec. 1(e) (as
amended by Public Law 112-95, Sec. 152(c); (126 Stat. 34); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. P. J. SOLOMON of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. H.R. 7. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes, with an amendment (Rept. 116-18). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. SABLON (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, and Mr. SAN NICOLAS):
H.R. 1809. A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act, to provide parity for United States territories and the District of Columbia, to make technical corrections to such Acts and related laws, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GREEN of Tennessee (for himself and Mr. GONZALEZ OF TEXAS):
H.R. 1810. A bill to provide the legal framework and income tax treatment necessary for the growth of innovative private financing options, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, Education and Labor, Armed Services, and Veterans’ Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. CUPELLA, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. REITZELLE, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. PERRY):
H.R. 1811. A bill to require an unclassified interagency report on the political influence operations of the government of China and the Communist Party of China with respect to the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DAVID P. ROE OF TENNESSEE (for himself and Mr. LEVIN OF CALIFORNIA):
H.R. 1812. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish Vet Center readjustment services to certain individuals; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

By Mr. CARDEÑAS (for himself, Mrs. RODGERS OF WASHINGTON, Mr. COHEN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. TURNER, Mr. ROSE OF NEW YORK, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):
H.R. 1814. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and make certain other amendments with respect to health savings accounts; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CASTEN of Illinois:
H.R. 1815. A bill to require the Securities and Exchange Commission, when developing rules and regulations about disclosures to retail investors, to consider the effect of such rules and regulations on the ability of retail investors, including a survey and interviews of retail investors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY):
H.R. 1816. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require that children’s cosmetics containing talc include an appropriate warning unless the cosmetics are demonstrated to be asbestos-free, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. EMMER (for himself, Mr. GOSAR, and Mr. NEWHOUSE):
H.R. 1817. A bill to establish the National Institute for the Prevention of Suicide, to establish a National Suicide Prevention Hotline, to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to work with the Federal Communications Commission to ensure coverage of the National Suicide Prevention Hotline, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. FOXX OF NORTH CAROLINA (for herself and Mr. ENGEL):
H.R. 1819. A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1986 to provide for rewards for the arrest or conviction of certain foreign nationals who have committed genocide or war crimes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. FRANKEL (for herself and Mr. WEXNER OF OHIO):
H.R. 1835. A bill to provide for authority to appropriate for certain cooperative projects among the United States, Israel, and developing countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GIBBS:
H.R. 1821. A bill to make technical corrections to provisions of law enacted by the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act of 2016, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GIBBS (for himself, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. DAVID P. ROE OF TENNESSEE, Mr. LUSTKEEMERY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. HICK OF GEORGIA, Mr. GUEST, Mr. BUDD, Mr. WRIGHT, VILLARREAL, and Mr. CASTEN OF ILLINOIS):
H.R. 1823. A bill to provide opioid receptor antagonists, including naloxone, to first responders for personal use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):
H.R. 1824. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of a mesothelioma patient registry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. LAHOD (for himself and Mr. SUEZZI):
H.R. 1825. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize the Office of the National Taxpayer Advocate; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LAMB (for himself and Mr. MAST):
H.R. 1826. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide payment of Medal of Honor special pension under such title to the surviving spouse of a deceased Medal of Honor recipient, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

By Mrs. LIDSKO:
H.R. 1827. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase funding for certain educational activities by terminating taxpayer financing of Presidential election campaigns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY OF NEW YORK:
H.R. 1828. A bill to require annual reporting by employers of the number of settle-
The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

H.R. 1834. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce to issue regulations prohibiting the use of sunscreen containing oxybenzone or octinoxate in a National Marine Sanctuary in which coral is present, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. RUSH (for himself and Mr. BILLIKER):

H.R. 1835. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to require that donation and respectful disposition of human bodies and human body parts donated or transferred for education, research, or the advancement of medical, dental, or mortuary science and not for use in human transplantation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. HECHT (for himself and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 1836. A bill to amend the Natural Gas Act to expedite approval of exports of small volumes of natural gas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself and Mr. BILLIKER):

H. Res. 242. A resolution reaffirming the importance of the Orphan Drug Act, celebrating the over 750 new orphan therapies approved since enactment, and recognizing the need to continue supporting research and development for rare diseases; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROONEY of Florida (for himself and Mr. GAetz):

H.R. 1822. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act, to authorize new programs and policies to address the long-term care needs of the elderly and disabled, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of New York (for himself and Mr. PLATTS):
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Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution

By Mr. GIBBS:

H.R. 1833.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution

By Mr. KATKO:

H. R. 1824.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution.

By Mr. LAHOOD:

H.R. 1825.

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

The Congress shall have power "To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes;" and

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 10 provides Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

H.R. 1836.

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

Article 1, Section 8

— ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 4: Mr. NAL, H.R. 6: Mr. Rose of New York, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mrs. MURPHY, and Mr. LAMB.

H.R. 33: Mr. RASKIN, H.R. 35: Ms. WEXTON, H.R. 40: Mr. LOWENTHAL.

H.R. 92: Mr. HECK, H.R. 117: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.

H.R. 127: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, H.R. 141: Mr. Kim and Mr. WALDEN.

H.R. 230: Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 299: Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. BERERA, Mr. GRUFTY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVID of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. GOODEN, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. DeLAURO, Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. UPTON, Mr. PENC, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. MOUTLON, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mrs. ESCOBAR, and Mr. ROUDA.

H.R. 399: Ms. FINKENAUER, Mr. LOWENTHAL, and Ms. JACKSON.

H.R. 400: Mr. MOUTLON.

H.R. 510: Mrs. CRAIG, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. CONNOLLY.

H.R. 530: Ms. LOFFOREN, Mr. LEVIN of Michigan, and Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 535: Mr. HUDSON.

H.R. 540: Ms. SHALALA.

H.R. 553: Mr. WATKINS.

H.R. 568: Mr. SCOTT of Virginia.

H.R. 613: Ms. GABBARD, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, and Mr. MARTZ.

H.R. 647: Mr. SMUCKER and Mr. CASE.

H.R. 649: Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ and Mr. WATKINS.

H.R. 674: Mr. Himes.

H.R. 724: Ms. ROSE of New York, Ms. FINKENAUER, and Mr. Michael F. Doyle of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 728: Mr. CASE and Mrs. NAPOLITANO.

H.R. 732: Mr. Cripps and Ms. PANETTA.

H.R. 737: Mr. LEVIN of California and Mrs. WALKOFSKI.

H.R. 748: Mr. MUSHER.

H.R. 763: Mrs. CRAIG.

H.R. 808: Ms. JACKSON LEE.

H.R. 810: Mrs. DEMINGS and Mr. RASKIN.

H.R. 824: Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. KAPUR, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. PATTY, and Ms. WATSON.

H.R. 838: Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. BAHR, Ms. HINO, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, and Mr. RUTHERFORD.

H.R. 852: Ms. LEVIN of California.

H.R. 864: Mr. NGUISHI and Mr. COHEN.

H.R. 897: Mr. RESCHENTHALER and Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 921: Ms. DRAKE.

H.R. 935: Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. TAKANO.

H.R. 940: Mr. VAN DREW.

H.R. 943: Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. BANKS, and Mr. CURTIS.

H.R. 948: Mr. WALBERG.

H.R. 961: Mr. HECK, Mr. KRISHNAAMOORTHI, Mr. HINOS, Ms. HALLA, Mr. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. SCHWIKERT, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. KIM, Ms. MUCKESELL-Powell, Mr. SECHNER, Mr. LARKIN of Connecticut, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. SOTO, Mrs. AXNE, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. SIERRA, Ms.ukan, Ms. SOLTAN, Ms. MAST, Mr. SABRENE, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. PAPPAS, and Ms. DEAN.

H.R. 963: Mr. RUSH and Ms. McCOLLUM.

H.R. 1019: Mr. CORREA and Mr. MITCHELL.

H.R. 1035: Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas.

H.R. 1043: Mr. NIXUSE.

H.R. 1833: Mr. HORSFORD, Mrs. SHEERILL, Mr. STANTON, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. NORTON, and Mrs. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico.

H.R. 1139: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Mr. LAMB.

H.R. 1154: Mr. KLEIN and Mr. KIM.

H.R. 1156: Mr. MAST.

H.R. 1169: Mr. McCOLLUM and Mr. PACAN.

H.R. 1173: Mr. BURKOSKI.

H.R. 1175: Mr. NAPOLITANO.

H.R. 1183: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.

H.R. 1222: Mr. STEIL.

H.R. 1225: Mr. MCENNY, Mr. GOLDEN, and Mr. CARTER of Texas.

H.R. 1228: Mr. McNERNEY, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. PACAN, Mr. CRIST, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. McNERNEY, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. THELIAU of California, Mr. TONK, Mr. SWALLWILL of California, Mr. TIPON, Mr. DELGADO, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. QUELLEY, Mr. RODDY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. TURNER, Mr. MITCHELL, and Mr. SCHIFF.

H.R. 1289: Ms. JACKSON LEE and Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 1296: Mrs. LEE of Nevada.

H.R. 1321: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1327: Mr. KILMER, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. ADAMS, Mr. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. STANTON, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Ms. CHENNY, and Mr. LAMB.

H.R. 1328: Mr. GRIFFITH.

H.R. 1342: Ms. MENG and Mr. GRIJALVA.

H.R. 1350: Mr. CINNAROS.

H.R. 1356: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 1368: Mr. PERLMUTTER.

H.R. 1377: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KHANNA, and Ms. MILL of California.

H.R. 1383: Mr. KHANNA.

H.R. 1407: Mr. LAMB, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. MARTZ, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, and Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 1411: Mr. VAN DREW.

H.R. 1417: Mr. KIM and Ms. LOFFOREN.

H.R. 1425: Mr. Himes.

H.R. 1449: Mr. KINZINGER.

H.R. 1454: Mr. CUMMINGS and Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 1485: Mr. JUDY CHU of California.

H.R. 1489: Mr. LAWSON of Florida.

H.R. 1507: Mr. COHEN, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, and Mr. HINO.

H.R. 1534: Mr. KILMER and Mr. McNERNEY.

H.R. 1550: Mr. WELCH, Mr. GROTHMAN, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 1551: Mr. DANNY K. DAVID of Illinois and Ms. MOORE.

H.R. 1553: Mr. MCMANUS.

H.R. 1572: Ms. JACKSON LEE.

H.R. 1581: Ms. CHINN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. MOORE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mrs. NORTON, and Mr. HINES.
H.R. 1595: Mr. Nadler, Mr. Ruiz, Mr. Neal, and Ms. Pressley.
H.R. 1615: Mr. Duffy.
H.R. 1616: Mr. Pence.
H.R. 1620: Mr. Connolly, Mr. Hoyer, Ms. Norton, and Mr. Cummings.
H.R. 1622: Mr. Smith of New Jersey, Mr. Mitchell, and Ms. Omar.
H.R. 1648: Mr. Balderston.
H.R. 1649: Mr. Balderston.
H.R. 1652: Mr. Larsen of Washington, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, and Mr. Garamendi.
H.R. 1706: Mr. Serruzi, Mr. Moore of West Virginia, Mr. Espaillat, and Mr. Meadows.
H.R. 1707: Mr. Swalwell of California, Mr. Garcia of Illinois, Mr. Langevin, and Mr. Blumenauer.
H.R. 1715: Mr. Latta.
H.R. 1735: Mr. Lowenthal and Mr. Welch.
H.R. 1736: Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Lofgren, Ms. Eshoo, Ms. Tlaib, and Mr. Carson of Indiana.
H.R. 1761: Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Cook, Mr. McClintock, and Mr. Perry.
H.R. 1764: Mr. Calvert and Mr. Woodall.
H.R. 1766: Mr. Stivers, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Bergman, Mr. Peters, and Mr. Carson of Indiana.
H.R. 1767: Mr. Moulton and Mr. Meeks.
H.R. 1773: Mr. Thompson of California.
H.R. 1777: Mr. Blumenauer and Mr. Raskin.
H.R. 1796: Ms. Cheney.
H.R. 1805: Mr. Joyce of Ohio.
H.J. Res. 23: Ms. Tlaib and Ms. Omar.
H.J. Res. 35: Mr. O’Halleran.
H. Res. 23: Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Case, Mr. Golden, Ms. Bonamici, Ms. Noguise, Ms. Castor of Florida, Mr. Pappas, and Mrs. Bustos.
H. Res. 60: Mr. Quigley, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Staub, Mr. Case, Mr. Noguise, and Mr. Pappas.
H. Res. 100: Ms. Frankel.
H. Res. 107: Mr. Moulton, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Kinzinger, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Banks, and Mr. Van Drew.
H. Res. 116: Mr. Carson of Indiana and Mr. Mitchell.
H. Res. 124: Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Gonzalez of Texas, Mrs. Demings, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Frankel, Mr. Delgado, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Jayapal, Mr. Correa, Mr. Allred, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. McNeely, Ms. Adams, Mr. Green of Texas, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Horsford, Mr. Connolly, and Mr. Brindisi.
H. Res. 146: Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Carrajal, Mr. Rush, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Collins of New York, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr. Allen, Mr. LaToukemeyer, Ms. Tlaib, Ms. Judy Chu of California, and Ms. Finkenauer.
H. Res. 169: Ms. Johnson of Texas.
H. Res. 174: Mr. Bilirakis.
H. Res. 220: Mr. Cohen.
H. Res. 221: Mr. Cohen.
H. Res. 222: Ms. Stefanik, Ms. Wild, Mr. Deutch, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Case, and Ms. Hill of California.
H. Res. 224: Ms. Johnson of Texas, Ms. Pressley, Ms. Schakowsky, and Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois.
H. Res. 230: Mr. Mast.
EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING JANICE FULLER’S TEN YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. FRANK PallONE, JR. OF NEW JERSEY IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. Pallone. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Janice Fuller, who has served as one of my most trusted advisors for the last decade in her roles as District Director and then Chief of Staff. Janice is leaving my office after 10 years of distinguished service.

For 10 years now, my constituents in New Jersey’s Sixth Congressional District have had a fierce advocate in Janice. She has a passion for constituent services and has always been a champion for the district’s municipalities, counties, organizations and businesses as they explore funding or partnerships from federal agencies.

Janice’s commitment to and advocacy for the people of my Congressional District was never more on display than in the days, weeks, months and years following Superstorm Sandy, which devastated my district. She was relentless in her efforts to ensure the federal government provided the assistance needed to New Jerseys impacted by Sandy. Janice fought for increased temporary housing for those who lost their homes, worker retraining programs for critical flood control projects and highlighted flood insurance fraud that was perpetrated against homeowners. Her determination to improve the response and recovery process from this historic storm had an impact on countless people throughout New Jersey.

Over the last four years, Janice has served as my Chief of Staff, leading my legislative, communications and constituent relations staff. Prior to joining my staff in 2009, Janice served the people of New Jersey in the offices of two governors. First, she served in the McGreevey Administration in 2001 and 2002 as an Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff, and from 2006 through 2009 she was the Director of Cabinet Affairs in the Corzine Administration.

Janice is also well respected throughout New Jersey as one of the state’s top political minds. From 2003 through 2006, she was the Executive Director of the New Jersey Democratic State Committee. In this position, she ran the day-to-day operations of the state political party—this is no easy task.

Throughout her entire career, Janice has been a fierce advocate for the people of New Jersey. And that advocacy spills over into her free time—if that time even exists for Janice. Not only has she served as a Board Member on the Covenant House New Jersey—Asbury Park Program and the New Jersey Equal Opportunity Fund, she recently won an election to serve on the Ocean Township School Board.

It goes without saying that public service runs in Janice’s blood. She may be leaving my office, but I have no doubt that she will continue to find ways to serve the people of New Jersey throughout the remainder of her career.

Over the last ten years, Janice has spent a lot of late nights representing me and my constituents at meetings or events throughout the district. I want to acknowledge the support Janice always received from her husband, John, and her three children, Grace, Finn and Sloane.

Madam Speaker, the American people, New Jerseyans and the people of the Sixth Congressional District have been well served by Janice Fuller for the last 20 years. I wish her nothing but the best in her future endeavors and look forward to watching all the ways she looks to serve the public good.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Ms. Lofgren. Madam Speaker, due to my attendance of a funeral I was not present for the vote, on March 14, 2019, on H. Con. Res. 24, expressing the sense of Congress that the report of Special Counsel Mueller should be made available to the public and to Congress. Had I been present for roll call vote 125 I would have voted “yea.” I am pleased that this resolution calling for the release of Special Counsel Mueller’s report to the public and to Congress passed decisively.

HONORING ROBERT B. THOMAS

HON. SUSAN A. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mrs. Davis of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to mourn the passing and celebrate the life of a wonderful friend and former San Diego City Councilwoman Judy McCarty.

It is an honor to have worked in the same community as Judy. Throughout her accomplished life, Judy’s selflessness and commitment to others never wavered. As a journalist, a community volunteer, and a dedicated public servant, Judy always remained focused on building community and improving the lives of her neighbors.

Judy brought a zest for life into everything she did. One of her biggest passion projects was the founding of Mission Trails Regional Park. Judy was a key figure in establishing this beloved public recreational amenity that is now the largest municipally owned park in the State of California and the 6th largest park in the entire country. This is just one of many accomplishments of Judy’s, in a lifetime of service and dedication to the greater good.

Those who have had the pleasure to cross paths with Judy likely know that she was a woman who valued the little things in life. She loved volunteering, tending to her garden, and cheering for the Indiana Hoosiers, but above all, she loved being a mother and a grandmother.

I wish her family the comfort to know that Judy left San Diego a better place than she found it, and that we are all better off because of her vision and leadership in our community. I am grateful to have called Judy my friend and will miss her presence in the community. The joy she brought into life will live on in the thoughts and actions of everyone she has touched along the way. Though she will be missed dearly, the impact she made in San Diego will always endure.

HONORING ROBERT B. THOMAS

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. Engel. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a beloved member of the community who is celebrating a remarkable 95th birthday this year, Mr. Robert B. Thomas.

Robert’s story is, in many ways, a uniquely American one. He was born on March 14, 1924 to Robert and Annie Thomas in Augusta, Georgia and he migrated with his family to New York, where he attended Benjamin Franklin High School. He graduated from New York Vocational High School, where he was introduced to, and excelled in, the trade of plumbing. During World War II, Robert headed the call to serve his country and on March 15, 1944 he joined the United States Army. He became a gunner in the 394th Anti-Aircraft Unit and after serving our nation, he came back to serve his city with the New York City Public Housing Authority. In 1946, Robert met the woman who he would marry, Doris E. Jones and they had two daughters, Syma and Sandra. He also has three grandchildren, Duane Nichols, Turhan Brandon and Taniya Brandson, and four great grandchildren, Indira Nichols, Sebastian Brandon, Orion Brandon and Dominick Brandon.

Robert worked in construction as a member of Laborers International Union of North America, Laborers Local 60 and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 137, the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 15 and Con Edison, which enabled him to put his daughters through college. He likes to reminisce about the past and enjoy talking about how he was a foreman and helped build the Governor Malcolm Wilson Tappan Zee Bridge. His experience on that project later led to his work on the Throgs Neck Bridge and second deck of the George Washington Bridge.

To his family, his friends, and his community, Robert Thomas is known as a kind, generous and loving person, who has helped others achieve their goals. It is my honor to recognize Robert on this special occasion and to
thank him for his service to our country and community here in New York.

AMERICAN LEGION CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. PAUL COOK
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the American Legion. The Legion was first chartered on September 16, 1919 to serve as a patriotic veteran’s organization.

One of the oldest veteran non-profit organizations, the American Legion also stands as the nation’s largest wartime Veterans Service Organization. The Legion is devoted to supporting service members, veterans, communities, and families. In its 100 years of existence, the Legion has made remarkable strides in advancing the cause of our veterans and service members through legislative accomplishments like the GI Bill, Flag Code, and the creation of the U.S. Veterans Bureau, a forerunner of the Veterans Administration. The Legion is also active in our local communities, with programs like Operation Comfort, the Legion’s Special Olympics, and the American Legion Baseball. Backed by that charter, the American Legion has made it their mission to mentor youth, advocate for patriotism and honor, and promote strong national security and a continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

I applaud the Legion for passing the century mark in their never-ending quest to improve the lives of service members and veterans. I’m proud to be a member of such an excellent organization, and I wish them another 100 years of excellence.

RECOGNIZING EMERY COUNTY, UTAH LEADERS

HON. JOHN R. CURTIS
OF UTAH
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. CURTIS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the leaders in Emery County, Utah, who fought for over two decades to resolve long-standing issues facing their county through federal legislation. On March 12th, 2019, President Trump signed into law S. 47, a sweeping public lands bill that included the Emery County Public Lands Management Act, with broad bipartisan support.

With this historic achievement, I would like to pay tribute to the exceptional efforts and years of dedication from the Emery County Commissioners, Emery County Public Lands Council, and many other state and local leaders who played an integral role in making this cooperative effort possible. This law will benefit Utahns for decades into the future.

This law is a model for how Utahns can work together to solve public land management questions in one of the most unique landscapes of the country. After years of input and stakeholder engagement, this law resolves a number of issues affecting the region through a school land trust exchange, conveying certain lands to Emery County, expanding Goblin Valley State Park, conservation designations, and the creation of the new San Rafael Swell Recreation Area. The bill also decreases the amount of land owned by the federal government in Emery County.

There are countless landmarks over the years who deserve recognition and made this law possible. Over the last year, since I sponsored the Emery County bill in the House, I would particularly like to recognize: Emery County Commissioners Lynn Sietko, Kent Wilson, and Gil Conover, Emery County Council Members Rod Play (Chair), Edward Geary (Vice Chair), Laren Huntsman, Leon McElprang, Kim McFarlane, J.R. Nelson, Randall Stilson, Sherrel Ward, Les Wilberg, Bruce Wilson, and Ray Petersen (Public Lands Administrator).

House Natural Resources Committee Chairman ROB BISHOP, Governor Gary Herbert, Senator MITT ROMNEY.

These leaders should all be very proud of what was accomplished with this bill.

IN HONOR OF JD LAMBRIGHT

HON. KEVIN BRADY
OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the memory of JD Lambright, a larger-than-life Texan and dedicated leader in Montgomery County. He leaves behind a legacy of outstanding service to the great State of Texas and I know our entire community will miss his presence dearly.

A product of the Texas Panhandle, JD was born and raised in the town of Pampa, Texas. He earned both his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Electrical Engineering at Texas Tech University, and remained a proud Raider for all his life. Law was another passion of his, and JD later went on to earn his law degree from South Texas College of Law in Houston, Texas.

JD made good use of his Master’s and worked as a geophysicist and electrical engineer for Shell Oil Company and Shell E&P Technology Company in Houston. Following his successful career in the energy industry, he started his own private law practice in Conroe, where he focused on a variety of family, criminal, and civil law issues.

First elected to the Montgomery County Attorney’s office in 2012, JD later became the chief legal advisor for Montgomery County. He not only possessed a shrewd legal mind, but was a warm and caring heart. Those who were lucky enough to work with him remember most his genuine affection for his co-workers, and he was twice awarded Montgomery County’s “Boss of the Year.”

JD was a true inspirational leader who used his positions of power for the good of the entire community. During his time at the County Attorney’s Office, he was responsible for the passage of the first Code of Ethics in Montgomery County. He worked tirelessly to make this public office more accessible to those who needed it most—The Underlings. Under his leadership, the office kept more cases in-house, saved hundreds of thousands of tax-payer dollars, and brought in a new normal of government transparency across the Montgomery County area.

Though I could spend hours listing the many positions held by JD and professional honors he accumulated, I know he considered his greatest accomplishment to be his family. He married his high school sweetheart Belinda Cates, herself a prominent figure in the Montgomery County area, and they were married for forty-two wonderful years.

There is no doubt that JD left a positive professional impact on Montgomery County and the state of Texas, but what I will miss most about him is his old-fashioned friendship, his love for his community, and his infectiously positive outlook on life. I join JD’s family, friends, and the entire Eighth District of Texas in mourning. JD will be greatly missed.

MIRIAM AND ARI LOREN

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor two pillars of the Scarsdale community, Miriam and Ari Loren, who this year are being honored by Young Israel of Scarsdale at their 47th Annual Dinner.

Miriam was born in Bratislava, Slovakia and came to the U.S. in 1982. Her family moved to Silver Spring, MD where she graduated from the Hebrew Academy of Greater Washington, now known as Melvin J Berman Hebrew Academy. Miriam is a graduate of Bar- naux College and Columbia University’s Teachers College, after which she worked for many years in early childhood special education, running classrooms for developmentally delayed children and their parents. Miriam has also worked as an evaluator, diagnosing, testing and evaluating children for special services.

For the past few years, Miriam has worked for Camp Yavneh as their Inclusion Coordinator. This program has grown from two campers participating in only the second month of camp to almost thirty campers across both months.

Miriam has volunteered extensively for her children’s schools, including serving as their Parent Association President for six years. Miriam was also on the Westminster Jewish Council inclusion initiative for local synagogues. Miriam is currently on a mental health task force for the Ruderman Foundation.

Ari was born and raised here in New Rochelle. After graduating from Westminster High School, Ari earned his BS from Yeshiva University and MBA from Bar-Ilan University.

Professionally, Ari operates a family business and manages some real estate. Outside of work, Ari has spent the last 8 years heavily involved in the local hockey scene. He served as President of New Rochelle Lightning Hockey from 2013 to 2018, growing the program from 52 players in 2013 to well over 200 kids today. Ari loves coaching hockey, and currently helps coach in the New Rochelle Lighting program, as well as at the Frisch School and as a head coach in New Rochelle Day School. Miriam and Ari have 5 fantastic boys, aged 6 to 16. The Lorenes love raising their children in the same warm and loving community in which Ari was raised. Miriam and Ari
HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF WAYNE HIGH SCHOOL

AFJROTC

HON. JIM BANKS
OF INDIANA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. BANKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Wayne High School’s AFJROTC’s 25th anniversary. AFJROTC Unit IN–941 was established in 1994 at Wayne High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana, under the leadership of Major Ed Bennett and Senior Master Sergeant Bill Tester. Since its inception, AFJROTC Unit IN–941 has prepared over 2,800 cadets for military service and success in and out of the classroom.

The mission of the AFJROTC is to develop citizens of character, dedicated to serving their nation and community. Now, two decades after its establishment, the Wayne High School AFJROTC continues to uphold the mission. Over the last five years, an average of 122 cadets have joined Unit IN–941. The unit has recorded an impressive 1647 Leadership Development Requirement hours with extracurricular activities such as Model Rocketry, the Academic Bowl and Junior Shooting. Cadets give back to our community by providing Color Guards for events and assisting with Honor Flights from Ft. Wayne. In fact, Unit IN–941 has logged over 4143 hours of community service and has set a goal of 1200 hours for 2019.

Unit IN–941 has prepared its cadets for success. About five percent of all cadets pursue military-related careers after graduation. I recently had the privilege of appointing Wayne High School AFJROTC cadet Wendy Samaya to the United States Air Force Academy. Every cadet who served in Unit IN–941 at Wayne High School gained valuable skills and experiences that prepared them for life after high school.

Congratulations to Wayne High School’s AFJROTC Unit IN–941 on their 25th anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO CHAD PADGETT

HON. DON YOUNG
OF ALASKA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. YOUNG. Madam Speaker, I want to pay tribute today and thank Chad Padgett for his years of service on my staff, the great state of Alaska, and to the United States of America.

Chad Padgett first came to work in my office in 1994 and has served as my State Director for more than a decade. Chad Padgett, to put the magnitude and demands of his job into perspective requires some explanation. There are only seven other states in the U.S. House of Representatives that have State Directors. In the other 43 states, the position is commonly referred to as District Director. For example, the State of California has 53 House District Directors.

During Mr. Padgett’s tenure in my office he has traveled to almost every city, town, village and road stop in the state. That’s quite an accomplishment in and of itself, when you think about how large the 49th state actually is. Alaska has 6640 miles of coastline representing 50 percent of our nation’s total coastline and is one-fifth the size of the entire country. Many of the places Mr. Padgett has traveled to have only been accessible by air or water. Remember, even our state capital, the third largest city in the state, can only be accessed by plane or ferry. He has traveled by car, truck, jet, single-engine plane, helicopter, state ferry, and boats of all sizes and makes.

Mr. Padgett, Madam Speaker, has had a lot of geography to cover in Alaska—more than California, Texas and Montana combined. These three states have 90 people doing what Mr. Padgett does.

As mentioned earlier, Mr. Padgett joined my team in 1994 as a Campaign Assistant. In 1995, he became a Special Assistant in my congressional office and quickly became my Deputy State Director. He remained in that position until, under President George W. Bush’s administration, he received a Presidential nomination to serve as State Director for the Farm Services Agency. From there, he became the State Director for USDA Rural Development. He remained with the USDA until 2009, when he chose to come back to work as my State Director.

As much as I hate to see Mr. Padgett leave my office, I am equally pleased that he has been selected to serve as the State Director for the Bureau of Land Management in Alaska.

Mr. Padgett will excel in his new position. He brings to the job the right temperament, integrity, experience and knowledge necessary to provide leadership and stewardship over-seen our federal lands.

Mr. Padgett has proven himself as a loyal, competent and respected public servant. He has shown care and compassion for literally thousands of Alaskans by helping them resolve their problems and navigate the bureaucratic mazes.

He is well-liked by his co-workers and has helped mentor many young staffers by instilling the core values of hard work, loyalty, responsibility and maintaining a positive attitude.

To me, Chad Padgett is more than my State Director. Most of all, he is a trusted friend. He is an advisor with my best interests always at heart. We are family—and always will be.

While it is difficult thinking of his departure from my staff, it gives me a great sense of pride and comfort knowing he will oversee and be the steward for about a quarter-of-a-billion acres of federal land in Alaska.

On behalf of the countless number of Alaskans that he has helped, his co-workers, and most of all, my family and me—I thank him and God bless.

We are excited and extend our best wishes to him for the challenges ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF EDWARD HART, THE GREATER PITTSTON FRIENDLY SONS 2019 MAN OF THE YEAR

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Edward Hart, who was named the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons Man of the Year at their annual St. Patrick’s Day celebration on Sunday, March 17, 2019.

Edward is a Pittston native and the son of the late Edward and Jean Morrow Hart. He is a graduate of Pittston Area High School and the University of Scranton.

Edward has dedicated his career to radio and broadcast television, concentrating in revenue development and management. He began his career at WARM before moving on to Magic 93. In 1988, while working at WQ102 Radio, Edward became the youngest radio station manager in the country. He then transitioned to television, working in various sales and management roles for WOLF-TV, which later became FOX56. In 1998, Edward was the first to generate over $1 million in revenue in FOX history. Edward transitioned to WNEP where he also managed the local sales efforts to record levels.

Edward is an active member of the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. In 2014,
he served as president during the group’s centennial year. He dedicated a tremendous amount of time and effort liaising with the Secret Service and the Office of the Vice President to secure Vice President Joe Biden as the principal speaker at the organization’s centennial celebration. Edward also instituted the recitation of St. Patrick’s prayer to begin every meeting—in order to honor the group’s patron saint.

Edward has been married to his wife, Natalie Amico Hart, for 25 years, and they have three children, Edward IV, Alexandra, and Emma. Edward is actively involved in his community as a youth sports coach for basketball, baseball, football, and soccer. He is a member of Our Lady of the Eucharist Parish in Pittsston and a 4th Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus Assembly No. 948 and JFK Council No. 372.

It is an honor to recognize Edward as the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons 2019 Man of the Year. I thank him for his dedicated service to our community and wish him the best St. Patrick’s Day.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF BETTY CONNER

HON. MARK DeSaulnier
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. DeSaulnier. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of a longtime Pittsburg resident, Mrs. Betty Conner.

Betty was born on May 20, 1936 in Sondheimer, Louisiana to parents Maggie and Ray Frost. She soon made her way to Contra Costa County, and Betty spent 73 years as a resident of Pittsburg and graduated from Pittsburg High School in 1964. For 29 years, Betty served the community and worked as a nurse for Contra Costa County Social Services.

For a decade, Betty and her husband of 50 years, Douglas, used their retirement income to cook lunches for children in downtown Pittsburg. After Douglas’ passing in 2009, Betty continued serving meals with the help of her granddaughter, Tania Currie.

In 2014, Betty’s community efforts were officially established as a non-profit organization called Branches of Community Service. Now, Betty’s annual backpack and toy drives serve over 125 children and her free Saturday lunches continue to be a trusted and important resource for Pittsburg youth.

Betty and Douglas’ contributions to the Pittsburg community have been celebrated. Douglas was honored by the City of Pittsburg with a cement plaque at the local park across from the Conner residence and Betty was recognized as a Woman of the Year for Contra Costa County.

Betty is survived by her five sons and many relatives. She will be sincerely missed by those who had the pleasure of knowing her, and will be remembered for her endless service to the community.

HONORING SYLVIA LASK

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. Engel. Madam Speaker, it is my great and distinct privilege to honor one of my dearest friends, the incomparable Sylvia Lask, as she celebrated her 85th birthday this year on February 25th.

Born in 1934 to Vera Lask and Max Lask, Sylvia was one of three children in the family, which included her brothers Ronald and Robert. She grew up in Detroit, Michigan and later moved to New York City, where she became certified as a dietician. Sylvia and I first met when we were both living in Co-op City. I had knocked on her door while gathering petition signatures, and she began asking me all kinds of questions pertinent to both our community and the political world. After we had a long chat, I asked if she was a member of the local political club, and suggested she join us at the next meeting. She did, and we became fast friends.

Sylvia and I were both heavily involved in the club’s work from there on out. She went on to serve as Democratic State Committee Person, was also a delegate at two democratic conventions, for Ted Kennedy and Bill Clinton.

Sylvia is a fierce advocate for her community and always a strong voice on the issue of mental health. Her lobbying trips to Albany have become the stuff of legend. Among other things, her efforts led to the passage of the Mental Health in Education Act, which requires Mental Health to be taught in all public schools in New York State. Even at 85, Sylvia still makes those weekly trips to Albany and continues her advocacy work on behalf of the Mental Health Association in New York State (MHANYS).

When not saving the world, Sylvia enjoys listening to folk music—specifically The Weavers, Pete Seeger and Peter Paul and Mary—and taking long strolls. Her spirit is indomitable; she never sits down, never spends too much time celebrating a victory, and is always planning the next steps needed to advance patient rights. Sylvia’s drive has always been fueled in large part by her family and friends. She was married to Sam Hershkowitz and has two beautiful children, Vicki and Marc, and one granddaughter, Ron. They are the light in Sylvia’s life.

Madam Speaker, I count myself fortunate every day to know Sylvia Lask, and I’m not alone in feeling that way about such a special individual. Her list of friends, from elected officials to community activists and everyone in between, is too long to list. She has done incredible work for the people of New York over many decades, and her contributions cannot be overstated.

Sylvia is like a family member to me and my entire family. I am so honored to recognize her achievements, and I am so thankful to have her in my life.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF REV. DR. MYRON PANCHUK

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. Quigley. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a Co-Chair of the Congressional Ukraine Caucus, and as a Chicaguan, to honor the memory of Reverend Doctor Myron Panchuk, a widely respected religious leader and community activist whose sudden passing on March 9th brought tremendous sadness and reflection to the Ukrainian-American community in Chicago and beyond.

A pillar of Chicago’s Ukrainian-American community, Father Myron served countless parishioners throughout his 37 years of priesthood for the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Diocese of Chicago. In addition to assisting thousands of Chicagoans from all faiths and backgrounds, Fr. Myron was actively involved in more than half a dozen community organizations, including during his tenure as Vice President of the Ukrainian Genocide Famine Foundation.

After decades of community service, Fr. Myron turned to academia and activism. In 2017, he earned a Ph.D. researching the effects of intergenerational trauma on ethnic Ukrainians. He was committed to building coalitions to fight for ethnic and racial justice, especially in the area of genocide prevention.

In recent years, as Ukraine’s sovereignty has been challenged and outside interference appears unrelenting, Fr. Myron, as an example to us all, continued to pray, and to work, to end the violence and corruption that has marred his ancestral homeland.

He will be especially remembered for his optimism and courage, and for his faith in a young, new wave of Ukrainian-Americans who face the challenge, and opportunity, of healing the scars of the past and building the future of the Ukrainian-American community. While the City of Chicago and Ukrainian-Americans everywhere mourn his loss, Fr. Myron’s legacy is sure to live on in the hearts of all those who knew him.

IN RECOGNITION OF WILLIAM J. WILLIAMS, RECIPIENT OF THE GREATER PITTSTON FRIENDLY SONS’ SWINGLE AWARD

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. Cartwright. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize William J. Williams, who will receive the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons’ Swingle Award. William was honored on Sunday, March 17, at the Friendly Sons’ annual St. Patrick’s Day event.

William was born to William and Susan Rudick Williams on May 25, 1955. He is a graduate of Pittston Area High School (class of 1973), and he earned an associate degree in industrial electronics from Luzerne County Community College and a real estate license from Penn State University.

William found success in a variety of fields throughout his career, in the medical field as
a respiratory therapy technician, in commercial building sales, and as a real estate agent with Atlas Realty. William has been involved with the Pittston City Ambulance Association since 1973, and he earned his EMT certification in 1977. He is also a member of the Hughestown Hose Company, president of the Eagle Hose Company, and the secretary of the Pittston Volunteer Fireman’s Relief organization.

In 1990, William was hired by the City of Pittston as a firefighter. In 1998, he received commendations for valor from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and Senate after valiantly rescuing an elderly woman from her gas-filled home. William retired from the profession in 2018 as an Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Inspector.

In addition to having an impressive professional career, William has always been actively involved in his community. He has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since 1998, achieving 4th degree in 2003. William has been a member of the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons since 1998, serving as president of the organization in 2009. He currently serves as the co-chair of the Friendly Sons Scholarship Committee.

William resides in Pittston and has been married to his wife Irene for 42 years. He is the proud father of three daughters: Amy, Jennifer, and Samantha.

It is an honor to recognize William for his many years of service to our community. I wish him all the best on this St. Patrick’s Day.

HONORING RISEÈ AND MARC ROBBINS

HON. ELOIS L. ENGEL
OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor two pillars of the Scarsdale community. RiseÈ and Marc Robbins, who this year are being recognized as the Keter Shem Tov Honorees at this year’s Young Israel of Scarsdale community, to be recognized around the world.

RiseÈ and Marc have been members of the Young Israel of Scarsdale community, together, for nearly 30 years. RiseÈ grew up in New Rochelle and moved to Scarsdale in 1973, when she joined the YIS. She graduated NYU and then attended Touro college where she graduated the Physician Assistant Program.

Marc grew up in New Rochelle and graduated Columbia University. He is the president of IM Robbins P.C. an engineering company in New York City.

The two met at the Scarsdale volunteer Ambulance Corp, where they were both EMT volunteers for over 20 years. They have been active on committees in their children schools and the shul. The YIS plays a very important part of their lives. It is a warm and welcoming community and they feel very lucky to be a part of it.

Together RiseÈ and Marc have raised four children, Jennifer, married to Yakov, Daniel, Amy and Michael, and have three grandchildren, Sibai, Shira and Moshe.

Madam Speaker, RiseÈ and Marc have together done tremendous work to strengthen the Scarsdale community, both inside and outside of the YIS. They are most deserving of this wonderful recognition, and I want to congratulate them on this special occasion.

HONORING THE WORK OF ANNE B. WICKS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Anne B. Wicks on her retirement from the District of Columbia Courts.

The Joint Committee on Judicial Administration appointed Ms. Wicks to serve as Executive Officer of the D.C. Courts in February 2000. She is the first woman and longest-serving Executive Officer in the Courts’ history.

Prior to her appointment as Executive Officer, Ms. Wicks worked for the Courts in a number of capacities, including Acting Chief Financial Officer, 1999 to 2000; Deputy Executive Officer for Court Operations, 1997 to 1999; Deputy Director for Research and Development, 1988 to 1997; and Chief of Research, 1986 to 1988. Ms. Wicks previously held positions with the Legal Services Corporation and the Georgetown University Law School.

Ms. Wicks’ led the D.C. Courts through many changes over the past 19 years. She oversaw the integration of 19 stand-alone computer systems into trial court case management system. She spearheaded adoption of long-term planning for capital programs in IT and facilities, and the development of a comprehensive education and training program. She participated in the extensive growth of and renovation to the Courts’ buildings and Judiciary Square campus, and the adoption of strategic management as a governance structure. She also assisted with the creation of a strong management team, leadership principles and employee engagement initiatives that focus on collaborative and integrated judicial and administrative leadership.

I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Anne B. Wicks on her 35 years of outstanding service to the District of Columbia Courts. Her steadfast leadership is one of the reasons the D.C. Courts are highly regarded around the world.

RECOGNIZING THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

HON. BREnda L. LAWRENCE
OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Madam Speaker, today I recognize the Michigan Public Health Association (MPHA) on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. This organization was founded in 1919 and has been advocating for public health ever since.

For 100 years, the MPHA has worked diligently to eliminate and reduce gaps in health and health outcomes by improving the quality of life of Michiganders through advocacy, knowledge, practice and research. They perform valuable work in a field that has an immeasurable impact on the lives of all Americans.

In addition to raising the standard of care throughout Michigan, the Michigan Public Health Association works to increase access to care in all counties of Michigan and assure that no child is uninsured. MPHA advocates for good health policy through community organizing and collaboration.

On this momentous occasion, I want to congratulate the visionary founders and members of the Michigan Public Health Association, as well as MPHA’s current President, Ms. Lorena Disha, and all the leaders of the MPHA for their important work. I look forward to their continued work for the health of our nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF FRANK BALON, RECIPIENT OF THE FREELAND SONS OF ERIN 2019 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT
OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 18, 2019

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Frank Balon, who was named the Freeland Sons of Erin 2019 Citizen of the Year. He was honored on Saturday, March 16, at the organization’s annual St. Patrick’s Day event.

Frank is a graduate of Freeland High School and Pennsylvania State University. He worked as a mechanical engineer at Tobyhanna Army Depot before retiring after thirty years of service in 2013. During his tenure at Tobyhanna, Frank received the Department of the Army Achievement Medal for Civilian Service in both 1997 and 2002.

Frank brings something unique to Northeastern Pennsylvania that is never in adequate supply: the joy of music. He plays trumpet in several local ensembles including the Freeland St. Ann’s Band, where he also serves as band president, and the Hazleton Philharmonic Orchestra and Big Band. Frank is also the leader of the popular brass quintet, the Hot Tin Roof Brass Band. As part of his musical career, he has performed the national anthem for the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders and the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Triple-A baseball teams on many occasions, and he has additional appearances scheduled for the upcoming season. Frank’s musical talents extend to singing as well. He is a choir member and cantor at Immaculate Conception
Church and an officer and founding member of the Freeland Community Choir.

Frank is diversely active in his community. He is a contributing writer for the monthly Progress Magazine, and he enjoys researching family history and genealogy. Frank enjoys hiking and is an avid outdoorsman. He also currently serves as the secretary for the Hazelton Archery Club.

Stemming from his civilian employment with the United States Army at Tobyhanna Army Depot, Frank is dedicated to honoring and serving our veterans. He is part of the honor guard and a proud honorary member of American Legion Post 473 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5010. His community efforts were recognized by the Freeland American Legion Post when they named him Citizen of the Year in 2017.

It is an honor to recognize an outstanding individual like Frank as he accepts the Citizen of the Year Award. I am grateful for his many talents and his willingness to serve the people of Northeastern Pennsylvania, especially veterans. I wish him the best this St. Patrick’s Day.

HONORING JOAN ROBERTA WILLIAMS

HON. JUDY CHU
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, March 18, 2019

Ms. JUDY CHU of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Joan Roberta Williams, who passed away on February 20, 2019 at the age of 86.

Mrs. Williams was named Miss Crown City in 1958 after being nominated by her colleagues at Pasadena City Hall. Though she was supposed to perform the ceremonial duties around the Rose Parade now performed by the Rose Queen, such as ribbon cuttings and appearances with the Mayor of Pasadena, the float on which Mrs. Williams was scheduled to appear was cancelled. Mrs. Williams was denied these honors after city officials discovered that she was African American.

It wasn’t until New Year’s Day of 2015 that Mrs. Williams finally appeared in the Rose Parade, this time in a float honoring “Inspiring Stories.” After an article appeared in the Pasadena Weekly detailing her racist treatment nearly half a century earlier, Mrs. Williams received a formal apology from the Mayor of Pasadena and was offered the opportunity to ride in the parade that had been denied to her, which she accepted as an opportunity for reconciliation.

I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Williams in 2014, when the Pasadena non-profit Men Educating Men About Health honored her at a gala, where I had the opportunity to present her with their Woman of the Year Award. In the years between her original crowning and her eventual appearance in the Rose Parade, Mrs. Williams had a long career with Kaiser in Southern California, including several years in their Medicare office in my district. She volunteered for the Pasadena AIDS Service Center and with the Pasadena Unified School District, was honored on the floor of the California State Assembly, and had three children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

When she finally made her appearance in the 2015 Rose Parade, Mrs. Williams said the experience was “especially important because [it pointed] out that with people of goodwill working to correct these mistakes, change can come. We hope it won’t take so long, but when you look at our history, none of it has happened overnight, none of it has happened without a fight. The fight goes on.” It is my honor today to recognize Mrs. Williams’ legacy in that fight.
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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 1809–1836; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 242–243 were introduced. Pages H2754–56

Additional Cosponsors:

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 7, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–18). Page H2754

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Raskin to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2749

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a term of four years: Dr. Vickie M. Mays of Los Angeles, California. Page H2750

Joint Economic Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Schweikert, LaHood, Marchant, and Herrera Beutler. Page H2750

Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics, pursuant to section 4(c) of H. Res. 6, 116th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019: Nominated by the Speaker after consultation with the Minority Leader: Mr. David Skaggs of Colorado, Chair; Brigadier General (retired) Belinda Pinckney of Virginia; Ms. Karan English of Arizona; and Mr. Mike Barnes of Maryland, Alternate. Nominated by the Minority Leader after consultation with the Speaker: Ms. Allison R. Hayward of Virginia, Co-Chair; Mr. James M. Eagen, III, of Colorado; Mr. Leon Acton Westmoreland of Georgia; and Mr. Paul D. Vinovich of the District of Columbia, Alternate. Page H2750

Presidential Veto Message—Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his Memorandum of Disapproval of H.J. Res. 46, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019, and explained his reasons therefore—ordered printed (H. Doc. 116–22). Page H2750

Without objection, the House postponed further consideration of the veto message and the joint resolution until the legislative day of March 26, 2019. Page H2750

Senate Referral: S.J. Res. 7 was held at the desk. Page H2750

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2749.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no yea and nay votes, and there were no recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.
Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings
No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings
No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Thursday, March 21

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2 p.m.

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