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# House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. McGovern).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

> WASHINGTON, DC, May 24, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JAMES P. McGovern to act as Speaker pro tempore on

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Gracious God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

The Members of this people's House have left for the Memorial Day recess. As they meet with their respective constituents, give them the gifts of wisdom and discernment that in their words and actions they will do justice, love with mercy, and walk humbly with You.

May they also have the attentiveness that is called for to hear the concerns of those whom they represent.

On this weekend, especially, we remember those men and women who have given their lives in service to our

Bless them with everlasting peace, and give consolation and peace to those who mourn them.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 389, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Florida SHALALA) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. SHALALA led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, House of Representatives, Washington, DC, May 23, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

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 May 23, 2019, at 5:31 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 151.

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 2157.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019

Ms. SHALALA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 2157) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman from Texas seek recognition?

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I am here today primarily because if I do not object, Congress will have passed into law a bill that spends \$19 billion of taxpayer money without Members of Congress being present here in our Nation's Capitol to vote on it.

Secondly, it is a bill that includes nothing to address the clear national emergency and humanitarian crisis we face at our southern border.

There is no reason this disaster supplemental should not have included the quite modest \$4.4 billion that Director of OMB Vought sent to Capitol Hill to ensure DHS and HHS do not run out of money-which they are slated to dowhile managing the over 100,000 illegal aliens crossing our border being apprehended, and the unaccompanied alien minor children being unable to be housed appropriately.

And, finally, this is a \$19 billion bill that is not paid for when we are racking up \$100 million of debt per hour. And this is a bipartisan problem, to be honest, and it is a problem that we should solve in Congress rather than ignore.

Our Nation is strong enough and compassionate enough to have a responsive and fiscally responsive approach to help people who are hurting in the wake of natural disasters.

We have had months to figure this out and to do our job to secure our border. And we now are expected to let the swamp continue to mortgage the future of our children and grandchildren, making it less likely they will inherit a stronger and better country with a government capable of defending the Nation in responding to disasters such as these.

Mr. Speaker, with that, I respectfully object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



#### SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 151. An act to deter criminal robocall violations and improve enforcement of section 227(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1436.—An act to make technical corrections to the computation of average pay under Public Law 110-279.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 389, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2019.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 2 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1093. A letter from the Program and Management Analyst, USDA/FPAC/BC Regulatory Review Group, Natural Resources Conservation Group, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major interim rule — Miscellaneous Conservation Provisions [Docket No.: USDA-2019-0005] (RIN: 0578-AA69) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1094. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Protecting Statutory Conscience Rights in Health Care; Delegations of Authority (RIN: 0945-AA10) received May 23, 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.

1095. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Revision of Fee Schedules; Fee Recovery for Fiscal Year 2019 [NRC-2017-0032; Docket No.: PRM-170-7; NRC-2018-0172] (RIN: 3150-AJ99) received May 22, 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.

1096. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region; Temporary Measures to Reduce Overfishing of Golden Tilefish [Docket No.: 170828813-7999-02] (RIN: 0648-BH15) received May 22, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1097. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, Office of

Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Red Snapper Management Measures; Compliance With Court Order [Docket No.: 170515489-7489-01] (RIN: 0648-BG89) received May 22, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1098. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gray Triggerfish Management Measures; Amendment 46 [Docket No.: 170505465-7999-02] (RIN: 0648-BG87) received May 22, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1099. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Amendment 6 to the Tilefish Fishery Management Plan [Docket No.: 160229161-7898-02] (RIN: 0648-BF86) received May 22, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1100. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Charter/Headboat Permit Commercial Sale Provision [Docket No.: 170901859-7999-02] (RIN: 0648-BH19) received May 22, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1101. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Charleston, MO [Docket No.: FAA-2019-0036; Airspace Docket No.: 19-ACE-1] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1102. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Dickinson, ND [Docket No.: FAA-2019-0033; Airspace Docket No.: 19-AGL-3] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1103. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Sibley, IA [Docket No.: FAA-2019-0038; Airspace Docket No.: 19-ACE-3] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1104. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Modernizing Part D and Medicare Advantage to Lower Drug Prices and Reduce Out-of-Pocket Expenses [CMS-4180-F] (RIN: 0938-AT92) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public

Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

1105. A letter from the Deputy Director, ODRM, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule - Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare Advantage, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit, Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), Medicaid Fee-For-Service, and Medicaid Managed Care Programs for Years 2020 and 2021 [CMS-4185-F] (RIN: 0938-AT59) received May 23, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

# 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. DEFAZIO: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 1322. A bill to require a report on the effects of climate change on the Coast Guard, and for other purposes (Rept. 116–85). 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. LaHood (for himself and Ms. Sewell of Alabama):

H.R. 3021. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restructure the payment adjustment for non-emergency ESRD ambulance transports under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. ENGEL:

H.R. 3022. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to repeal the reductions in Medicaid DSH allotments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DUFFY (for himself and Mrs. RODGERS of Washington):

H.R. 3023. A bill to increase funding for the COPS Grant Program and the Secure Our Schools Grant Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 3024. A bill to prevent the breakup of families receiving certain Federal housing assistance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MEADOWS (for himself and Mrs. Lee of Nevada):

H.R. 3025. A bill to direct the Architect of the Capitol to display the POW/MIA flag outside of the entrance of the office of each Member of Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mrs. TRAHAN:

H.R. 3026. A bill to require that a College Scorecard be maintained for each institution of higher education that participates in programs under title IV of Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida:

H.R. 3027. A bill to establish student loan borrowers' rights to basic consumer protections, reasonable and flexible repayment options, access to earned credentials, and effective loan cancellation in exchange for public service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means. the Judiciary, and Oversight and Reform, 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. Con. Res. 44. Concurrent resolution directing the Joint Committee on the Library to revise the statue commemorating women's suffrage which is located in the rotunda of the United States Capitol, commonly known as the "Portrait Monument", by placing on the statue an inscription which is based on the original inscription which was on the statue when the statue was delivered to the United States Capitol in 1921, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. JAYAPAL (for herself, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Pocan, Ms. Norton, Mr. Cohen, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. Speier, and Ms. Judy Chu of California):

H. Res. 409. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the month of May as Sex Ed For All Month: Youth Power, Information, and Rights; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.

#### MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

58. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 96, urging the President of the United States to designate a state funeral for the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War II when such recipient passes away: which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

59. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Resolution No. 89, commending Haley Binder for her winning poem entitled "Starting Sundays", Billy Creed for his winning poem entitled "Berwick". Rafael Espinoza for her winning poem entitled "Nature Sleeps", Daniel Koepp for his winning poem entitled "Beyond My Window", and Christina Welsch for her winning poem entitled "Wet Nurse." which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

60. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Hawaii, relative to House Resolution No. 166, urging the United States Congress, the Federal Communications Commission, and the Federal Trade Commission to eliminate fraudulent telephone calls; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

61. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 20, memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to review the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision Social Security benefit reductions and to consider eliminating or reducing them; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

62. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34, memorializing the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to review the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision Social Security benefit reductions and to consider eliminating or reducing them; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

63. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8, memorializing the Congress of the United States to take such actions as are necessary to pass the Disability Integration Act of 2019; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and the Judiciary.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. LAHOOD:

H.R. 3021.

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

Article I, Sec. 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. ENGEL:

H.R. 3022.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3—Commerce Clause

By Mr. DUFFY:

H.R. 3023.

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

Article I, Section 8, clause 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 3024.

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

Article One of the United States Constitution. section 8, clause 18:

The Congress shall have Power-To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof

By Mr. MEADOWS:

H.R. 3025.

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

Article I, Section 1: "All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the  $\bar{\text{U}}$ nited States . .

Article I, Section 5, Clause 2: "Each House determine may the Rules of Proceedings .

By Mrs. TRAHAN:

H.R. 3026.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida:

H.R. 3027.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitu-

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 96: Ms. WATERS.

H.R. 291: Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 336: Mr. Conaway.

H.R. 445: Ms. Lofgren and Ms. Stevens.

H.R. 510: Ms. SPANBERGER and Mr. LUCAS.

H.R. 530: Ms. Moore.

H.R. 535: Ms. JUDY CHU of California.

H.R. 550: Mr. PHILLIPS.

H.R. 553: Mr. RICE of South Carolina and Mrs. McBath.

H.R. 555: Mr. CUELLAR.

H.R. 647: Mrs. LEE of Nevada and Mr. JEFFRIES.

H.R. 649: Ms. McCollum.

H.R. 693: Mr. McAdams, Mr. Fulcher, Mr. STEIL, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. Carter of Georgia, and Mr. Levin of California.

H.R. 913: Mr. GALLEGO.

H.R. 943: Mrs. AXNE and Ms. CASTOR of Florida.

H.R. 955: Mr. RASKIN.

H.R. 1005: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 1042: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 1043: Mr. Cummings. H.R. 1058: Mr. JOYCE of Ohio.

H.R. 1139: Mr. Young.

H.R. 1146: Mr. Meeks, Mr. Rose of New York, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. WEXTON, and Mr. MCADAMS.

H.R. 1155: Ms. Clark of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1182: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 1220: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 1230: Ms. MENG.

H.R. 1321: Mr. GALLEGO and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 1327: Mr. Crenshaw, Mr. Smith of Washington, and Mr. LANGEVIN.

H.R. 1364: Ms. BASS and Ms. DAVIDS of Kan-

H.R. 1384: Mr. DOGGETT and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.

H.R. 1398: Mr. PERRY, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. SPANO, Mr. MOOLENAAR, and Mr. Kustoff of Tennessee.

H.R. 1400: Ms. Castor of Florida.

H.R. 1446: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 1562: Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas.

H.R. 1572: Mr. Huffman.

H.R. 1651: Mr. YOHO, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. SMITH of Nebraska.

H.R. 1763: Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Vela, Mrs. LURIA, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. McGovern, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Luján, Mr. Cox of California, Mr. GOODEN, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Ms. Gabbard, Ms. Pingree, Mr. Gonzalez of Texas, Mrs. Lee of Nevada, Ms. Mucarsel-POWELL, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. Morelle, Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, Mr. Palazzo. Mr. Amodei, Ms. Titus, Mr. Horsford, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mrs. Bustos, Mr. Fleischmann, Mrs. Radewagen, Ms. Hill of California, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. McNerney, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. GOLDEN, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Ms. Haaland, Mr. Cook, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, and Mr. CISNEROS.

H.R. 1771: Mr. KIM.

H.R. 1785: Mr. RIGGLEMAN.

H.R. 1789: Mr. McGovern.

H.R. 1814: Mr. ESTES.

H.R. 1837: Mr. Schweikert, Mrs. Davis of California, Mr. DUNN, and Mr. GRAVES of Missouri.

H.R. 1840: Mr. PAPPAS and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 1882: Ms. Castor of Florida.

H.R. 1903: Mr. PAYNE and Mr. MOOLENAAR.

H.R. 1941: Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 1948: Mr. Hunter, Mr. Grothman, Ms. of California, Mr. DUNN, MOOLENAAR, Ms. WILD, Mr. CASE, LUETKEMEYER, and Mr. COMER.

H.R. 2013: Mr. RYAN.

H.R. 2015: Mr. BYRNE, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. Снавот.

H.R. 2062: Mr. RESCHENTHALER.

H.R. 2089: Mr. Peters and Ms. Kuster of New Hampshire.

H.R. 2090: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H.R. 2150: Mr. HECK, Mr. HIMES, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.

H.R. 2153: Mr. Sensenbrenner and Mrs. DEMINGS

H.R. 2164: Ms. TLAIB and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 2208: Mr. Rush.

H.R. 2222: Mr. YARMUTH. H.R. 2344: Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2354: Mr. TONKO and Ms. JUDY CHIL of California

H.B. 2355: Mr. CASE and Mr. ENGEL.

H.R. 2405: Mr. PALLONE and Mr. HASTINGS. H.R. 2408: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina and Mr. Luetkemeyer.

H.R. 2422: Ms. Gabbard.

H.R. 2474: Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Mr. Gonzalez of Texas.

H.R. 2483: Mr. VAN DREW and Mr. DEFAZIO.

H.R. 2513: Mr. Meeks.

H.R. 2517: Mr. Costa, Ms. Pressley, and Mr. Sean Patrick Maloney of New York.

H.R. 2550: Mr. Cummings, Mr. Thompson of California, Ms. Norton, Ms. Plaskett, Mr. DEUTCH, and Mr. DUNN.

H.R. 2629: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H.R. 2633: Mr. ESPAILLAT and Mr. PERL-MUTTER.

H.R. 2637: Mr. McGovern.

H.R. 2689: Ms. Judy Chu of California.

H.R. 2747: Mr. Langevin.

H.R. 2763: Ms. Pressley and Mrs. Trahan. H.R. 2775: Mr. DEUTCH and Mr. SABLAN.

H.R. 2776: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.

H.R. 2790: Mr. Chabot, Mr. Waltz, Mr. WRIGHT, Mr. FLORES, Mr. BUDD, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. ZELDIN.

H.R. 2825: Mr. ABRAHAM.

H.R. 2829: Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. McEACHIN, Mr. SHERMAN, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. HUFFMAN, and Ms. Schakowsky.

H.R. 2853: Mr. CISNEROS.

H.R. 2865: Mr. Scott of Virginia and Ms. JOHNSON of Texas

H.R. 2866: Mr. ROUZER.

H.R. 2913: Ms. MENG and Ms. FRANKEL.

H.R. 2939: Mr. Schiff.

H.R. 2940: Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2966: Mr. MORELLE.

H.R. 2976: Ms. Waters, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. VISCLOSKY, and Mr. CLEAVER.

H.R. 2982: Ms. Sherrill.

H.R. 2989: Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. HICE of Georgia, and Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 2997: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. EMMER, and Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 2999: Ms. HAALAND, Mr. CÁRDENAS, and Mr. HECK

H.R. 3001: Ms. Velázquez.

H.R. 3010: Mr. CORREA.

H. Con. Res. 40: Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. DESAULNIER, and Mr. PAS-CRELL

H. Res. 107: Mr. GALLAGHER.

H. Res. 146: Mr. SIRES and Mr. KIM.

H. Res. 159: Mr. FERGUSON.

H. Res. 174: Mr. ADERHOLT and Mr. MCEACHIN

H. Res. 189: Mrs. HARTZLER.

H. Res. 230: Mr. WRIGHT.

H. Res. 255: Mr. KIND and Mr. RASKIN.

H. Res. 259: Mr. KIND and Mr. MEEKS.

H. Res. 277: Mr. FITZPATRICK.

H. Res. 349: Mr. MEUSER.

H. Res. 358: Ms. Moore and Mr. Connolly.

H. Res. 406: Ms. Kelly of Illinois.

H. Res. 408: Mr. BERA and Mr. KHANNA.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

21. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, CA, relative to Resolution No. 210-19, declaring April, 24, 2019, as Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day in the City and County of San Francisco; and urging the San Francisco's representatives in the United States House of Representatives and Senate to accord recognition through the passage of House Resolution No. 296 and Senate Resolution No. 150; ; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

#### DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS AND WITHDRAWALS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge peti-

Petition 3 by Mr. MAST on House Resolution 348: Mrs. Roby, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Westerman, Mr. Johnson of Louisiana, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Gohmert, Mr. King of Iowa, Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Fortenberry. Huizenga, Mr. Cloud.



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# Senate

The Senate met at 9:45 and 1 second a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable John Hoeven, a Senator from the State of North Dakota.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The bill clerk read the following let-

U.S. SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, Washington, DC, May 24, 2019.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable John Hoeven, a Senator from the State of North Dakota, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. HOEVEN thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019, AT 11:30 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 11:30 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9:45 and 33 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 11:30 a.m.

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#### EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING BUILDING SAFETY} \\ \text{MONTH} \end{array}$ 

#### HON. SHARICE DAVIDS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Friday,\ May\ 24,\ 2019$ 

Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas. Madam Speaker, today, during Building Safety Month, I am pleased to recognize the importance of safety in the built environment and the dedication of the members of the International Code Council (ICC) for their roles in protecting our communities.

With natural disasters only expected to increase in frequency and severity, building codes include important safeguards to protect the public from tornadoes, floods, hurricanes, snowstorms, wildland fires, and earthquakes. In January 2019, the congressionally-established National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS) released a study finding that adopting modern model building codes save \$11 for every \$1 invested through earthquake, flood, and wind mitigation benefits, with a \$4 to \$1 wildfire mitigation benefit. These benefits represent avoided casualties, property damage, business interruptions, and insurance costs, and are enjoyed by all building stakeholdersfrom developers, titleholders, and lenders, to tenants and communities.

Vulnerable and underserved populations are most effected by increases in utility costs. And they often have the most to lose in the event of a disaster or health emergency. Building codes establish minimum requirements that ensure safe, resilient, and energy efficient schools, childcare and healthcare facilities, housing, and places of employment, regardless of the income or background of the facility's ownership and occupants. These protections are required by law for public safety, and enforced by code officials to ensure everyone enjoys the same protections and plays by the same rules.

Year round, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, laborers, and others in the construction industry work to ensure the safe construction of buildings though the use of model building codes. The dedicated members of the International Code Council, a national standards developing organization, come together with local, state and federal officials to develop voluntary consensus codes that protect Americans in the buildings where we worship, live, work, learn, and play. The International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by most U.S. cities and counties and in all 50 states, including the State of Kansas. I commend the city of Lenexa in my district for adopting the 2018 International Codes and the other cities in my district that are undertaking efforts to update their building codes.

Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' code officials in assuring us safe, efficient, and

livable buildings. "No Code. No Confidence," the theme for Building Safety Month 2019, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of safe and resilient construction, fire prevention, disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry.

I am honored to recognize International Code Council Board President William R. Bryant, ICC's Chief Executive Officer Dominic Sims, the International Code Council leadership, and ICC's Members and staff as they celebrate Building Safety Month.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JAMES ERVIN

#### HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. James Ervin, a Foot Solider in the American Voting Rights Movement, Vietnam Veteran, and Son of Selma, Alabama.

An advocate for social justice in every sense of the word, Mr. Ervin was only sixteen years old when he dared to participate in Selma's voting rights movement. He marched in many demonstrations and was arrested with schoolmates in the name of equality and justice. Mr. Ervin also participated in the infamous march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma on Bloody Sunday, coverage of which helped contribute to the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Upon graduation from high school, Mr. Ervin continued his record of public service and sacrifice by enlisting in the United States Army and serving our country honorably in the Vietnam War.

Mr. James "Ebo" Ervin was born in Selma, Alabama, on October 27, 1948, and he departed this life on Monday, May 13, 2019, in Mobile, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his father Willie Ervin, his mother, Willie Lee Ervin (née: Goodwin); and his brother Albert "Joe" Ervin.

Mr. Ervin was in high school during the civil rights movement in the Selma-Montgomery area. He actively participated in the events of the time with the hopes of changing the area and the nation. He has been recognized as an original Foot Soldier of the movement. Mr. Ervin went on to graduate from R.B. Hudson High School in May 1967. He faithfully attended class reunions and maintained lifelong friendships with his classmates. Shortly after graduation, Mr. Ervin joined the U.S. Army and served our nation during the Vietnam War

After returning home to Selma, he attended and graduated from Wallace Community College where he received an Associate Degree in Industrial Electricity in October 1974. After graduation, he relocated to Mobile, Alabama, where he began working in various shipyards around the Gulf Coast area. He was employed with Bender Shipbuilding for 10 years then

went on to work for Ingalls Shipbuilding, where he worked for 27 years until his retirement.

Mr. Ervin accepted Christ as his Savior at an early age. His personal relationship with the Lord was very important to him and he was always encouraging others to work on their own personal relationship with God. He joined Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church in Selma and considered it to be his home church, but he was also an active member of New Faith Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama, where he was in regular attendance and served the church as needed.

Mr. Ervin was the youngest of Willie and Willie Lee's seven children. He is survived by his siblings: Willie (Gloria) Ervin, Jr., Maggie Harris, Charles Ervin, Mary Lee, and Solomon (Joan) Ervin.

After the passing of his mother Willie Lee Ervin, James was blessed to be welcomed into the family of Lula Marie Edwards. She embraced him as her son and he loved her as his mother.

Along with Lula, Mr. Ervin is mourned by his siblings: Brenda (Steven) Brazzelle, Anthony Edwards, Amy (Roosevelt) Marzette, Stephanie (Ricky) Menifee, Lewis (Lisa) Edwards, Bonita (Calvin) Andrews, and Derrick Edwards, and half siblings, Solomon "TC" Ervin, Gloria Walker, and Raymond Walker.

Mr. Ervin shared unique and special relationships with each of his 16 siblings and his relationships with his children and grandchildren were no different. He leaves seven children to cherish his memories: Grace (Tommy) Johnson, Glenda Reaves, Barry Lowe, Elecia Scott, Ericka Priester, James Levan (La'Shell) Peasant, and Christopher Charles Peasant; twelve grandchildren: Tomequa (Norris, Jr.) Lewis, Tierra Robinson, Christopher Reaves, Brandon Bennett, Jailynn Peasant, Zyia Peasant, Janeá Scott, Tobiasz Johnson, Tommasz Johnson, Jaichelle Peasant, Elisha Brayden Scott, and Jaceyon Alexander Long; two great grandchildren, Madisyn Lewis and Tamari Jacob Smith; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends, including one devoted sister Maggie Harris, a devoted niece, Franchy Harris Coleman; and special friends, Joseph Smitherman, Calvin Thomas, and Robert Hatcher.

On behalf of Alabama's 7th Congressional District and a grateful nation, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Mr. Ervin's contributions to bettering the Selma and Mobile communities and our nation.

RECOGNIZING CU BOULDER'S GREEN SPORTS INITIATIVE

#### HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, today I want to recognize my alma mater, the University of Colorado-Boulder. Last week CU became the first university in the nation to sign

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The University joins other prominent sporting organizations such as the Olympic Committee, FIFA and the NBA to establish a clear path for the world's sporting communities to fight climate change.

The University of Colorado's Athletic Program has committed to reducing overall climate impact, educating others on climate action, promoting sustainable consumption, advocating for climate action and promoting environmental responsibility.

This is leadership.

This is not the first time that my state and my district have picked up the slack for where the federal government is falling short on climate action. Our constituents are acting on this issue, and it's about time we follow their lead. I am incredibly proud of my University and of my community for their leadership on climate change and commend their efforts to be the change they want to see in the world.

RECOGNIZING THE LEGACY OF BOB BERG

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that we recognize the legacy of Bob Berg, a communications professional and long-time public servant in the city of Detroit.

Born April 1, 1943, in Watseka, Illinois, Mr. Berg grew up on farms in central Illinois and went on to earn his bachelor's degree in political science from Wesleyan University where he wrote for the student paper. After graduating, Mr. Berg held several positions, including leading the state capitol bureau for United Press International covering Governor William G. Milliken. He was later hired in the Public Affairs office of Milliken.

In 1982, Mr. Berg went on to the role for which he is most well-known, serving as press secretary for Detroit Mayor Coleman A. Young. Mr. Berg's professionalism and work ethic earned him his reputation for being an exceptional press secretary. He served on Mayor Young's staff for eleven years, touching on many issues that faced Detroiters.

Beyond his time serving under Mayor Young, Mr. Berg began his own communications firm. He was honored by New Detroit in 2014 with a Leadership in Race Relations award and by the Detroit Urban League in 2018 as a Distinguished Warrior. Mr. Berg served on several organizations, including on the board of the Coleman A. Young Foundation, the Detroit Police Foundation, and the Detroit Urban League.

It is with great sadness that we recognize the great loss of Bob Berg and give tribute to his surviving family.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CHARLES B. SEIDEL

#### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Charles B. Seidel, a devoted public

servant and loving husband and father. On May 7, 2019, Mr. Seidel passed away at the age of 62 while on a business trip. Mr. Seidel had an outstanding 26-year career with the Central Intelligence Agency, overseeing agency operations throughout several conflicts, before entering private life in 2006.

Charles Seidel was born on June 29, 1956 in Alexandria, Virginia, to his parents John and Annette Seidel. His father was a senior CIA officer who inspired his son to follow in his footsteps. Shortly after graduating from Drew University, Mr. Seidel joined his father at the CIA in 1980.

Mr. Seidel spent most of his CIA tenure in the Middle East, holding various leadership roles in Iraq, Kuwait, and North African nations. As Chief of Station for the CIA's Middle East Station, he provided intelligence support in the efforts to end Saddam Hussein's 1990 invasion of Kuwait and once again in 2003 to overthrow the Hussein-led regime in Iraq. Mr. Seidel possessed a deep respect for the history and customs of the Middle East, which helped him collaborate with the citizens and governments in the region.

In 2006, Mr. Seidel retired from the CIA and worked for private security consultants such as Decapolis LLC, Blackfish Group, Command Global Services, Strategic Risk Management, and Lazarus Brothers. He was awarded two Intelligence Stars for valor during his service with the agency and was well-respected by his peers.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life of Charles B. Seidel. He was a committed public servant who always strived to keep America safe from malicious foreign actors. Additionally, the level of respect he showed for other cultures was second to none and serves as an honorable standard for all Americans.

RECOGNIZING THE UNVEILING OF THE NEWLY RENAMED "MUHAMMAD ALI WAY"

#### HON. RUBEN GALLEGO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. GALLEGO. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to honor the contributions of one of our country's greatest boxers, activists, and philanthropists as my district celebrates the unveiling of the newly renamed street "Muhammad Ali Way" this June 3rd—the threeyear anniversary of Muhammad Ali's passing in Scottsdale in 2016—thanks to the initiative of Dignity Health.

I want to recognize something more than the endurance with which Ali inspired us each time he entered the ring. The athleticism, determination, and honor he brought to the sport of boxing are commendable. But the endurance he sustained outside the ring after he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 1984 has been a true inspiration to the world-and to the people of Phoenix in particular, where he and his neurologist Abraham Lieberman helped establish the Muhammad Ali Parkinson Center (MAPC) at Barrow Neurological Institute in 1997. The center has grown over the past two decades into an internationally renowned facility for Parkinson's disease and movement disorder related medical care. MAPC continues to carry out Muhammad and Lonnie Ali's mission each day to provide high-quality and compassionate treatment, education, and support to every individual battling Parkinson's disease, to their caregivers, and to their families.

The team of neurologists, nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech-language pathologists at MAPC sees more than 1,200 patients a year. It is through the Ali family's continued support and devotion to driving the world towards a cure for Parkinson's disease that the center is able to maintain robust outreach programs to patients and families, and serve Arizonans with palliative care, remote-telemedicine appointments, and other critical services.

It is fitting, then, that the road leading to the center also be named in recognition of Ali's contributions: his demonstration of American tenacity and spirit in sport, in his battle with Parkinson's, in his support of the advancement of medical research, in his service to the Phoenix community, and in his service to our country as a whole. I look forward to traveling down the newly renamed "Muhammad Ali Way" each time I have the opportunity to visit the Muhammad Ali Parkinson Center in Phoenix for years to come.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF STAFF SGT. JOHN SIMONETTI

#### HON. THOMAS R. SUOZZI

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. SUOZZI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Staff Sgt. John Simonetti, who sacrificed his life for his country 75 years ago.

Simonetti was born in Jackson Heights, New York on May 24th, 1918. He later enlisted in the United States Army as a Staff Sergeant in the 2nd Infantry Division. On D-Day plus 1, Staff Sgt. Simonetti's division crossed the Channel with the mission to capture an enemy strong point, a city called Saint-Lô, Normandy. On June 16, 1944, Simonetti was killed in action during an ambush by enemy troops outside the town of St. Germain d'Elle. Under heavy fire, his squad was forced to abandon his body and was unable to locate it when they returned to the area days later.

In the absence of a body to mourn, Staff Sgt. Simonetti's family carried with them the memory of a kind, funny, patriotic young man and passed along the story of his sacrifice to younger generations. On the 50th anniversary of D-Day, Simonetti's nephew, Fred Salerno, travelled to Normandy to learn more about his uncle and St. Germain d'Elle. There, Salerno met with locals from the area and left with them his contact information should any remains be discovered.

15 years later, the skeletal remains of an American soldier—with dog tags still around his neck—were unearthed near the center of town and officials, remembering the family who had visited years earlier, contacted Salerno. Staff Sgt. Simonetti's remains were flown to the United States and laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery.

I believe the story of Staff Sgt. Simonetti's sacrifice, his family's longstanding dedication to his memory, and the people of St. Germain

d'Elle's respect for a fallen American soldier are indicative of some of the best traits of the human race. A man lost his life 75 years ago fighting for freedom and liberty, and two communities that he touched were brought together in friendship and fraternity.

As we near Memorial Day, it becomes ever more important for us to recognize and share these stories of our brave soldiers who never returned home. I hope all Americans remember the fallen soldiers who committed the greatest sacrifice of giving their lives for our country and honor them by living in gratitude each and every day for the precious gift they have selflessly given to us.

IN MEMORY OF ROY APPLETON, JR.

#### HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Mr. Roy Appleton, Jr., who passed away on Monday, April 8, 2019 after a lifetime of service to our nation and his North Texas neighbors.

As a young man, Roy Appleton, Jr. served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He saw combat action for more than 35 months in the South Pacific, taking part in the invasion of Iwo Jima and fighting in multiple battles including the retaking Guadalcanal and Saipan.

Upon his return home to Texas, Mr. Appleton married Margie Lee Monroe of Denton in 1947. He earned a degree from the University of North Texas in 1949. Even before he graduated, Mr. Appleton began working at the Denton Record-Chronicle. He was employed by the paper for more than four decades, retiring in 1991 as president and general manager. Aside from his service in the U.S. Marine Corps, Mr. Appleton spent his entire career at the paper.

An engaged community leader, Mr. Appleton served in a variety of leadership roles for the Denton Chamber of Commerce, the Denton Economic Development Advisory Board, and United Way of Denton County. He was an active member of the Denton Rotary Club and Denton Jaycees, as well as a director of First State Bank and a ruling elder at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.

In 2014, the Greater Denton Arts Council renamed their home the "Patterson-Applegate Center for the Visual Arts" in recognition of Mr. Appleton's contributions to the art culture of Denton County, which include the creation of the Campus Theatre, annual Holiday Lighting Festival and Denton Arts & Jazz Festival.

In recognition of his many contributions to the North Texas community, the Greater Denton Arts Council (GDAC) will honor Mr. Appleton's legacy of philanthropy and civic engagement at its annual awards event on May 31, 2019.

I am grateful for Mr. Appleton's many decades of selfless service to our nation and our community. On behalf of the 26th District of Texas, I offer my condolences to his family, friends, and neighbors.

GOLD STAR FAMILIES

#### HON. KEVIN HERN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, to many Americans, this 3-day weekend is an excuse to take a trip, go to the pool, barbeque, and celebrate the start of summer. But to millions of Americans, it's the reminder of the sacrifices that our military men and women make every single day to preserve our country's freedoms.

No one understands that sacrifice better than Gold Star Families.

The Gold Star Legacy is an organization that honors the memory of our fallen heroes by supporting their families and raising awareness of the struggles that military families go through.

The sacrifices and struggles of military families are often overlooked on these holidays, but their sacrifices are just as important to the protection of our country as the ones made by those who answer the call to serve.

This Memorial Day, I am grateful for the dedication and sacrifices not only from our military, but also from their families, especially the families of our fallen heroes. I send my sincerest respect and sympathy to our Gold Star Families today.

I encourage all Americans to take some time this weekend to reflect on the men and women who bravely serve, the heroes we've lost and the families they left behind.

CONGRATULATING MR. JOHN CORONA ON HIS RETIREMENT

#### HON. MARK TAKANO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate John Corona who will be retiring after serving the Riverside Unified School District for 40 years.

Mr. Corona's tenure in education has left a lasting impact on the Riverside community. He received numerous awards throughout the duration of his career, which demonstrate the admiration his colleagues and students have for him.

One of Mr. Corona's proudest achievements was the creation of "King High School Remembers." This annual project sparked continuous outreach to the veteran community and began an important dialogue between veterans and students. Since 2001, more than 300 veterans have been interviewed by high school students.

Above all, Mr. Corona touched the lives of hundreds of students through his teaching, coaching, and mentorship. I send him best wishes on his well-deserved retirement and thank him for his service to our community.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS JAMES DALY POST 200 100TH AN-NIVERSARY

#### HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the Veterans of Foreign Wars James Daly Post 200 in Hastings-on-Hudson as they celebrate their 100th anniversary. Our veterans truly are our nation's greatest heroes. For a century now, Post 200 in Hastings has been an invaluable center and resource for veterans in my Congressional District, and has provided a strong sense of community for its members.

Post 200's exemplary commitment to veterans and the community is truly inspiring. Their annual Memorial Day parade in Hastings is a staple of the community that year after year does a beautiful job of honoring our service members. The event brings veterans, friends, families, and community members together from across my district to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation.

Members of James Daly Post 200 risked their lives to serve our country overseas. I am thankful for their service, and the vital role Post 200 plays in connecting veterans throughout my district. It is my absolute honor to commemorate their centennial anniversary.

NATIONAL STOP THE BLEED DAY

#### HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mark National Stop the Bleed Day. More than 200,000 Americans lose their lives every year from traumatic incidents, including shootings, vehicular crashes, and workplace accidents When injuries involve traumatic blood loss, death can occur in as little as five minutes. These deaths, however, are oftentimes preventable.

National Stop the Bleed Day is a day to raise awareness of how to respond to severe bleeding incidents. Just as people learn CPR so that they can help a person having a heart attach, or the Heimlich maneuver for when someone is choking, learning how to respond to a traumatic bleeding incident can be the difference between life and death while waiting for professional help to arrive.

This month, my colleague Dr. BRAD WENSTRUP (R-OH) and I introduced H.R. 2550, the Prevent Blood Loss with Emergency Equipment Devices Act of 2019 (the Prevent BLEEDing Act), to provide this lifesaving training and expand access to Bleeding Control Kits (BCKs). This legislation will help place tens of thousands of emergency blood loss prevention materials in schools, places of worship, and other public gathering places across the country, so that if disaster strikes, bystanders can be better equipped to respond. I ask my colleagues to support this effort and work with me to ensure its speedy passage.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Fridau. May 24, 2019

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, on H.R. 1994, the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement (SECURE) Act, unfortunately, due to an error in the voting process my "Yea" vote was not officially recorded when I cast my vote and was unable to return to the floor in time before the vote closed.

Had I been present, I would have voted: Yea on Roll Call No. 231.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I missed votes on Monday, May 20 and Wednesday, May 22. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: Roll Call Vote Number 218 (Passage of H.R. 1952, the Intercountry Adoption Information Act): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 219 (Passage of H. Res. 106): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 220 (Ordering the Previous Question): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 221 (Passage of H. Res. 389): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 222 (Passage of H. AMDT, 248 to H.R. 1500 offered by Rep. BRYAN STEIL): no; Roll Call Vote Number 223 (Passage of H. AMDT, 252 to H.R. 1500 offered by Rep. MICHAEL BURGESS): no; Roll Call Vote Number 224 (Passage of H. AMDT. 253 to H.R. 1500 offered by Rep. MICHAEL BUR-GESS): no; Roll Call Vote Number 225 (Passage of H. AMDT. 260 to H.R. 1500 offered by Rep. HALEY STEVENS): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 226 (Passage of H. AMDT. 263 to H.R. 1500 offered by Rep. AL GREEN): yes; Roll Call Vote Number 227 (Adoption of Motion to Recommit to H.R. 1500): no; and Roll Call Vote Number 228 (Passage of H.R. 1500, the Consumers First Act): yes.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, had I been present on Tuesday May 21, 2019 and Wednesday May 22, 2019, I would have voted in the following way: Yes on the Motion on Ordering the Previous Question on the Rule H. Res. 389, Yes on H. Res. 389 Rule Providing for Consideration of both H.R. 1500-Consumers First Act and H.R. 1994—Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019, No on the Steil Amendment to H.R. 1500, No on the Burgess #6 Amendment to H.R. 1500, No on the Burgess #7 Amendment to H.R. 1500, Yes on the Stevens Amendment to H.R. 1500, Yes on the Green Amendment to H.R. 1500, No on the Republican Motion to Recommit on H.R. 1500 and Yes on Final Passage of H.R. 1500.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ADAM KINZINGER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. KINZINGER. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present to cast votes on May 23. Had I been present, I would have voted: yea on Roll Call No. 222, yea on Roll Call No. 223, yea on Roll Call No. 224, yea on Roll Call No. 225, nay on Roll Call No. 226, yea on Roll Call No. 227, nay on Roll Call No. 228, yea on Roll Call No. 229, yea on Roll Call No. 230 and yea on Roll Call No. 231.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 24, 2019

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, on Monday, May 20, 2019, I was not present

for recorded votes due to air travel delays coming to Washington, D.C. I would have voted: yes on roll call vote No. 218 (on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 1952, as amended), and yes on roll call vote No. 219 (on the motion to suspend the rules and agree H. Res. 106).

GLOBAL ELECTORAL EXCHANGE ACT OF 2019

SPEECH OF

#### HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 20, 2019

Mr. MEADOWS. Madam Speaker, fair, trustworthy, and accountable elections are critical to defending freedom among our international partners and are fundamental to our identity as a nation. The professionalism of election administrators globally is essential for preserving democracy across the world. The Global Electoral Exchange Act gives America a new tool to use in this important work by sending election administrators and officials, including government officials, polling workers, civil society representatives, members of the judiciary, and others who participate in the organization and administration of an election and other American experts abroad to strengthen new democracies and share best practices.

Under our bill, those responsible for administering elections outside of the United States could also come here, observing our own processes and taking valuable lessons back home. By keeping the world safe for our basic values we also help stave off the violence in at-risk democracies that all too often follows poorly-run, unfree elections and that often benefits those would do our nation harm. Put simply, American citizens and businesses are safer when we strengthen good governance and freedom in the world's democracies.

I want to thank my friend and colleague JOAQUIN CASTRO for working with me on this bill in both the 115th and the 116th Congresses, and I applaud his bipartisan leadership and hard work on this important issue.

# Daily Digest

# Senate

#### Chamber Action

The Senate met at 9:45:01 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 9:45:33 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 28, 2019.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

#### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 3021–27; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 44; and H. Res. 409, were introduced.

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#### Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 1322, to require a report on the effects of climate change on the Coast Guard, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–85).

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

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**Senate Referral:** S. 151 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Page H4170** 

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4169.

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 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

session.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Tuesday, May 28

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma

#### House Chamber

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