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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 28, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JENNIFER WEXTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

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

God of love, as we return to work after Memorial Day, help us remember these words of Jesus saying: "This is my commandment that you love one another. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Thank You, Lord, for all American soldiers who put the welfare of others ahead of their own and literally laid down their lives for us. Comfort the Gold Star families. Help us care for them, for all soldiers who return wounded by war's traumas, and all innocent civilians caught in war's way.

Thank You, Lord, also for each civil servant, Members of this House, their staffs, the Clerk's office, the Chaplain, the custodians, and all who make the work of the people's House possible.

Help each of us lay down our fears, pride, cynicism, and any sin keeping us from the work You have for us, the hard work of forging peace rather than accepting war—be that battles across the aisle, within our communities, or around Your world.

Today, Lord, in all we do, help us live Your commandment to love one another.

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 gentleman from Georgia (Mr. BISHOP) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia 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 28, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
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 28, 2019, at 10:17 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1693.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 3.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

ROBERT F. REEVES.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam 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.

Mr. MASSIE. Madam Speaker, I object.

Mr. HOYER. Reserving the right to object, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

Mr. HOYER. I was seeking recognition.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I asked to be recognized before the gentleman objected. Do I not have precedence of recognition?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Kentucky objected to the request.

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The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, reserving the right to object. I, of course, will not object, and I urge my friends in this body not to object.

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I urge them not to object because millions of people are at risk. This bill, passed in January to the Senate, which we passed some 3 or 4 weeks ago, needs to be passed as soon as possible for the welfare of our people in this country who have been attacked by natural disasters.

Madam Speaker, I urge my friends on the other side of the aisle not to object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The reservation is withdrawn.

Mr. MASSIE. Madam Speaker, reserving the right to object, if the Speaker of this House felt that this was must-pass legislation, the Speaker of this House should have called for a vote on this bill before sending every Member of Congress on recess for 10 days, and I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM EXTENSION ACT OF 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (S. 1693) to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

Mr. MASSIE. Madam Speaker, I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

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

S. Con. Res. 3. Concurrent resolution recognizing the rich history, heritage, and strategic importance of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Marshallese population residing in the United States; to the Committee on Natural Resources; in addition, to the Committee on Oversight and Reform; to the Committee on Armed Services; and to the Committee on Foreign 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 389, the House stands adjourned until Thursday, May 30, 2019, at 4:30 p.m.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, May 30, 2019, at 4:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1106. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of

State, transmitting reports concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1(a) (as amended by Public Law 108-458, Sec. 7121(b)); (118 Stat. 3807); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1107. A letter from the Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting the Commission's semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019, pursuant to the Sec. 5(b) of the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1108. 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 Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Integrating Electronic Monitoring Into the North Pacific Observer Program [Docket No.: 161219999-7708-02] (RIN: 0648-BG54) 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.

1109. 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 — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Regulatory Amendment 6 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands [Docket No.: 170510477-7999-02] (RIN: 0648-BG88) 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.

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:

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 1237. A bill to amend the Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009 to establish an Ocean Acidification Advisory Board, to expand and improve the research on Ocean Acidification and Coastal Acidification, to establish and maintain a data archive system for Ocean Acidification data and Coastal Acidification data, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-86). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 542. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory, and for other purposes (Rept. 116-87). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 2621. A bill to direct the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and disseminate a threat assessment regarding terrorist use of ghost guns, and for other purposes (Rept. 116-88). 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. BYRNE:

H.R. 3028. A bill to require the Inspector General for the Department of Justice to conduct oversight of investigations of certain political officials, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OLSON (for himself, Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. MARCHANT, and Mr. LEWIS):

H.R. 3029. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide transitional coverage and retroactive Medicare part D coverage for certain low-income beneficiaries; 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 Ms. DEGETTE (for herself and Mr. BEYER):

H.R. 3030. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and title XI of the Social Security Act to extend appropriations and transfers to the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund and to extend certain health insurance fees for such transfers; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California (for herself, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. CARTER of Georgia):

H.R. 3031. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend funding for quality measure endorsement, input, and selection under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Mrs. BEATTY (for herself, Ms. BASS, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. COHEN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. NORTON, Ms. OMAR, Mr. RUSH, Mr. STIVERS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. MEEKS, and Mr. LOWENTHAL):

H.R. 3032. A bill to posthumously award a Congressional gold medal to Maya Angelou in recognition of her achievements and contributions to American culture and the civil rights movement; to the Committee on Financial Services, 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 Ms. ESHOO (for herself, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mr. KHANNA):

H.R. 3033. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to continue to apply the rule entitled "Allowing Certain H-4 Dependent Spouses to Apply for Employment Authorization", and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER:

H.R. 3034. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of a military department to retain a reserve officer in a medical specialty beyond the date that such individual turns 68 years old, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself and Ms. STEFANIK):