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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

I hereby appoint the Honorable JIMMY GOMEZ to act as Speaker pro tempore on this

> NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

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

We thank You once again that we can come before You and ask guidance for the men and women of this assembly. Send Your spirit of peace, honesty, and fairness during this week that the House has returned.

Bless the people of this great Nation with wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, that they might reasonably participate in our American democ-

Please keep all who work for the people's House in good health. We thank You for their generosity, and the tremendous job so many did so that millions of Americans could enjoy a wonderful Capitol concert celebrating Memorial Day.

Bless us this day and every day. May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. WILSON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina 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.

CONGRATULATIONS, PRIME MINISTER MODI

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his landslide victory on May 23, as 600 million Indians went to the polls.

After the elections, Prime Minister Modi called for a "strong and inclusive India." According to The Washington Times, Modi said, "This election has become a movement of social unity, and that his government would work to earn the trust of all Indians, including religious minorities such as Muslims and Christians.

India's rising global standing is due in large part to the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, who has promoted free enterprise to create jobs. His reelection reinforces the strategic partnership between India and the United States.

Best wishes to Prime Minister Modi on his next term. India is appreciated as the world's largest democracy by America, which is the oldest democracy. India is well represented in Washington by Ambassador Harsh Vardhan

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by Speaker pro tempore RASKIN on Thursday, May 30. 2019:

S. 1693, to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 3 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CUELLAR) at 3 p.m.

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