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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. TRONE).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 6, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DAVID J. TRONE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend Kenneth Nelson, Seneca Community Church, Germantown, Maryland, offered the following prayer:

We bless You, our gracious God, the creator of Heaven and Earth. We—the ancestors, the families, and friends of Seneca Community Church—cry out to You to bestow upon this body of Representatives the wisdom to address the needs of our time. May they bring about a transformation of our country and the world to provide grace, mercy, blessings, and love in the name of Jesus. May they work together with a liberating spirit to right wrongs, to alleviate poverty, and to prevent illness. May they have an indomitable will to prevent injustice and to release a new provision of blessings for our times. May they find every opportunity to achieve harmony and hope, and let them never be afraid to become better each day. We pray for God's power and presence in us now and forever.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a) of House Resolution 509, 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 REPUBLICAN LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable KEVIN MCCARTHY, Republican Leader:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 5, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House, U.S. Capitol,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 4 of the United States Semiquincentennial Commission Act of 2016 (Pub. L. 114-196), I have submitted the following member for appointment to the United States Semiquincentennial Commission:

Mr. Robert A. Brady, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

As previously agreed, because of the change in Congress and the presumed statutory intent of the Commission, I am appointing Mr. Brady on behalf of the Speaker. As such, I am pleased to make this appointment.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

KEVIN MCCARTHY,  
*Republican Leader.*

### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported that on July 30, 2019, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 1569. To amend title 28, United States Code, to add Flagstaff and Yuma to the list

of locations in which court shall be held in the judicial district for the State of Arizona.

H.R. 2196. To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce the credit hour requirement for the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, further reported that on August 1, 2019, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 3877. To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, to establish a congressional budget for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, to temporarily suspend the debt limit, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2695. To rename the Success Dam in Tulare County, California, as the Richard L. Schafer Dam.

H.R. 3253. To provide for certain extensions with respect to the Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(b) of House Resolution 509, the House stands adjourned until Monday, September 9, 2019, at 2 p.m.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, September 9, 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:

1973. A letter from the Acting Chief, Branch of Environmental Response and Restoration, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Marine Mammals; Incidental Take During Specified Activities: Cook Inlet, Alaska [Docket No.: FWS-R7-ES-2019-0012; FXES111607MRG01-190-FF07CAMM00] (RIN: 1018-BD63) received August 27, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110

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