

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's designation on May 20, 2020, of a "covered period" pursuant to section 1(a) of House Resolution 965.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, if a veto message on H.J. Res. 76 is laid before the House, then after the message is read and the objections of the President are spread at large upon the Journal, further consideration of the veto message and the joint resolution shall be postponed until the legislative day of Thursday, May 28, 2020; and that on that legislative day, the House will proceed to the constitutional question of reconsideration and dispose of such question without intervening motion.

There was no objection.

REAPPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL
TO HEALTH INFORMATION TECH-
NOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment, pursuant to section 4003(e) of the 21st Century Cures Act (Pub. L. 114-255), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individual on the part of the House to the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee:

Dr. Steven Lane, Palo Alto, California

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL
RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2022:

Mr. Nury Turkel, Alexandria, Virginia, to succeed Dr. Tenzin Dorjee

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, May 19, 2020.

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

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER, Pursuant to 42 USC §300jj-12, I am pleased to appoint the following member to the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee, effective May 22, 2020:

Dr. Jim Jirjis, Nashville, Tennessee.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

KEVIN MCCARTHY,
Republican Leader.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 22, 2020.

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

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER, As I prepare to assume my duties as Director of National Intelligence, I hereby make official my resignation from the U.S. House of Representatives, effective Friday, May 22, 2020. I have also submitted my notice to Governor Abbott to advise him on my resignation. I have attached that letter to this notice.

The Ineligibility Clause of the Constitution of the United States precludes concurrent service in different branches of the federal government. In dedicating myself to the duties and responsibilities of my new office in the Executive branch, I must therefore yield my office in the Legislative branch.

It has been my honor to be a Member of this Chamber and to serve the people of the great state of Texas and the constituents of the 4th District of Texas. I will forever be grateful for the opportunity. I look forward to continuing to work with you and your colleagues in the House serving the nation in my new position.

Sincerely,

JOHN RATCLIFFE,
Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 22, 2020.

Hon. GREG ABBOTT,
Governor, State of Texas
Austin, TX.

DEAR GOVERNOR ABBOTT, I hereby submit my resignation as United States Representative of the 4th District of Texas effective Friday, May 22, 2020.

I am also on the ballot for reelection to this same office in November. The Constitution of the United States precludes concurrent service in the Executive and Legislative branches of the federal government. Therefore, I will be ineligible to serve as United States Representative of the 4th District of Texas if reelected.

It has been my honor to represent the great state of Texas and the constituents of the 4th District of Texas. I will be forever grateful for the opportunity to serve the people of Northeast Texas.

Sincerely,

JOHN RATCLIFFE.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Texas (Mr. RATCLIFFE), the whole number of the House is 431.

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT
RESOLUTION SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill and joint resolution of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker on Tuesday, May 19, 2020:

H.R. 943. An act to authorize the Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum to support Holocaust education programs, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 76. Joint Resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to "Borrower Defense Institutional Accountability".

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE
PRESIDENT

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported that on April 23, 2020, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 266. Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6322. To make certain improvements in the educational assistance benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of changes to courses of education by reason of emergency situations, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 8 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.

OATH FOR ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED
INFORMATION

Under clause 13 of rule XXIII, the following Members executed the oath for access to classified information.

Mike Garcia.
Thomas P. Tiffany.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

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

4351. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — American Society of Mechanical Engineers 2015-2017 Code Editions Incorporation by Reference [NRC-2016-0082] (RIN: 3150-AJ74) received May 19, 2020, 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.

4352. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency, with respect to the stabilization of Iraq, originally declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, is to continue in effect beyond May 22,

2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116—130); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4353. A letter from the Biologist, Branch of Delisting & Foreign Species, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassifying the Golden Conure From Endangered to Threatened With a Section 4(d) Rule [Docket No.: FWS-HQ-ES-2015-0019; 4500090024] (RIN: 1018-BC78) received May 19, 2020, 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 or rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. S. 209. An act to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian Tribes, and for other purposes (Rept. 116-422). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRIVATE 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. NADLER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 1548. A bill for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas (Rept. 116-423). Referred to the Private Calendar.

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. PANETTA (for himself, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. LAMB, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. TITUS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. COX of California, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. COSTA, Mr. PAPPAS, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CORREA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CROW, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. KILMER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. COHEN, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. CISNEROS, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. MEEKS, and Mr. VELA):

H.R. 6957. A bill to direct the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs to treat a period of full-time National Guard duty, performed in response to the national emergency declared on March 13, 2020, by the President with respect to COVID-19, as not shorter than 90 days; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on 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 Mrs. AXNE (for herself and Mr. STAUBER):

H.R. 6958. A bill to provide that the unused balance of a dependent care flexible spending arrangement at the end of plan year 2020 may be rolled over to the following plan year; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. BASS (for herself, Ms. MOORE, and Mr. TRONE):

H.R. 6959. A bill to amend the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act to provide for immediate eligibility for former foster youth under Medicaid; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER):

H.R. 6960. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration reserve amounts appropriated under the paycheck protection program for small entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. BROWN of Maryland:

H.R. 6961. A bill to authorize the posthumous honorary promotion to general of Lieutenant General Frank Maxwell Andrews, United States Army; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself and Mr. YOUNG):

H.R. 6962. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to expand the use of global payments to hospitals in rural areas; 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. CASTEN of Illinois (for himself, Mr. MALINOWSKI, and Mr. KENNEDY):

H.R. 6963. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act with respect to the rehearing process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Ms. DAVIS of Kansas, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. WATKINS, and Mr. BACON):

H.R. 6964. A bill to establish a lower Missouri River flood prevention program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. COHEN (for himself, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. RUSH, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. NORTON, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. CISNEROS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CORREA, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. TONKO, Mr. WELCH, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. RYAN, and Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois):

H.R. 6965. A bill to provide for cash refunds for canceled airline flights and tickets during the COVID-19 emergency; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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. CROW (for himself, Ms. STEFANIK, and Ms. JACKSON LEE):

H.R. 6966. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in cooperation with the Biodefense Steering Committee, to clarify the national biodefense strategy and associated implementation plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CUNNINGHAM (for himself, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. RYAN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. KIM, and Mr. COHEN):

H.R. 6967. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to provide to certain members of the National Guard serving on active service in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) the transitional health benefits provided to members of the reserve components separating from active duty; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois (for himself, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. HURD of Texas, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. TRONE, Mr. McCAUL, Mr. RUSH, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. KINZINGER, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. VARGAS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CROW, Mr. SOTO, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. ALLRED):

H.R. 6968. A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants to carry out a food service delivery pilot program for children during the non-school summer months, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. DUNCAN (for himself, Mr. BABIN, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. PERRY):

H.R. 6969. A bill to require that any person that maintains an Internet website or that sells or distributes a mobile application that maintains and stores information collected from such website or application in China to disclose that such information is stored and maintained in China and whether the Chinese Communist Party or a Chinese state-owned entity has access to such information; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DESJARLAIS:

H.R. 6970. A bill to prevent States from receiving Federal financial assistance if such States tax the income of an out-of-State volunteer providing assistance during a disaster or emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. ENGEL (for himself and Mr. KING of New York):

H.R. 6971. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the availability of medical nutrition therapy services 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 Ms. ESHOO (for herself, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SHALALA, Ms. DEAN, and Mr. MOULTON):

H.R. 6972. A bill to protect older adults and people with disabilities living in nursing homes, intermediate care facilities, and psychiatric hospitals from COVID-19; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. FINKENAUER (for herself and Mrs. RADEWAGEN):

H.R. 6973. A bill to amend the paycheck protection program of the Small Business Administration to include costs related to the provision of personal protective equipment as an allowable use of a covered loan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio:

H.R. 6974. A bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to pursue more equitable treatment of Taiwan at the international financial institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. SOTO, and Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ):

H.R. 6975. A bill to amend the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act or "PROMESA", and for other