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House of Representatives

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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 15, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable TERRI A. SEWELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Everlasting God, hear our prayer as we make our requests, spoken and unspoken, known to You.

Relieve us from any anxiety that prevents us from believing in and living into Your gracious plan for these days.

Remind us to look not to our own interests but to the good of this country and its people as we move forward.

Reveal to us that which is true, honorable, just, and pure. And may we, in all that we say and do, be guided by these things in serving Your people.

This is the day that You have made, and we lay before You all our plans and purposes. May our lives today and always reflect both the joy and the hope we find, not in our own accomplishments, but only in You, that all will know Your forbearance with us and Your sacrificial love for us.

We pray these things in the strength of Your holy name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Reso-

lution 8, 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.

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, January 5, 2020.

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

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Growing up in New Orleans East playing little league it never occurred to me that I would one day represent Louisiana's Second Congressional District. After graduating from Benjamin Franklin High School, I left New Orleans briefly to attend Morehouse College before returning home to attend Tulane University Law School. Never leaving those same little league fields as a volunteer coach I saw the needs of my community and hoped that I could make a difference.

Twenty years ago, I was first elected to represent New Orleans and every day since I strived to live up to the trust my friends, family, and community have placed in me. During that time, I have started my own family, stood side by side with my constituents through multiple disasters, and experienced joy and sorrow. Through it all, it has been an honor and a privilege to represent my home. I am eternally grateful to my constituents for giving me this opportunity.

New Orleans will always be home, but it is time to represent my community in a different way. I am writing to resign my seat in

the United States House of Representatives effective January 15, 2021. I would like to thank you and all my colleagues for working together to try and improve the lives of our constituents and make our country a more perfect union.

Sincerely,

CEDRIC L. RICHMOND.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, January 5, 2020.

Hon. R. KYLE ARDOIN,
Secretary of State, State of Louisiana,
Baton Rouge, LA.

DEAR SECRETARY ARDOIN: Attached is my letter to Speaker Pelosi resigning my seat in the United States House of Representatives and my letter requesting Governor Edwards to call a special election to fill the seat as soon as possible. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

CEDRIC L. RICHMOND.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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 Louisiana (Mr. RICHMOND) the whole number of the House is 432.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(B) of House Resolution 8, the House stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 1 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

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EC-4. A letter from the President of the United States, transmitting a report of 73 rescissions of budget authority, totaling \$27.4 billion, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 683(a)(1); Public Law 93-344, Sec. 1012(a); (88 Stat. 333) (H. Doc. No. 117—7); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

EC-5. A letter from the President of the United States, transmitting an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13959 of November 12, 2020, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1627) and 50 U.S.C. 1641(b); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 117—8); jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Financial Services, and ordered to be printed.

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. BANKS (for himself, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. HERN, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. PFLUGER, Ms. HERRELL, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. BARR, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. GOODEN of Texas, Mr. BABIN, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. WALTZ, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. RESCHENTHALER):

H.R. 322. A bill to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 and the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to promote integrity in voter registration, the casting of ballots, and the tabulation of ballots in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. BASS:

H.R. 323. A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Carrie Beatrice “Mudear” Sager, in recognition of her service to her community and nation, for peace, racial justice, and human rights; 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 Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself and Mr. RYAN):

H.R. 324. A bill to specify the Federal share of the costs of certain duty of the National Guard in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 325. A bill to provide for increases in the Federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. BEYER, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. HOYER, Mr. TRONE, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, and Ms. WEXTON):

H.R. 326. A bill to nullify the Executive Order 13957 entitled “Executive Order on Creating Schedule F In The Excepted Service”, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. LIEU, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. PORTER):

H.R. 327. A bill to repeal the restriction on the use of funds by the Internal Revenue

Service to bring transparency to the political activity of certain nonprofit organizations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. WELCH, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. RYAN, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. KHANNA, and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois):

H.R. 328. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on certain trading transactions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN:

H.R. 329. A bill to authorize an additional district judge for the district of Puerto Rico and to convert to permanent status the temporary office of bankruptcy judge for the district of Puerto Rico; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. JONES):

H.R. 330. A bill to direct the Federal Emergency Management Agency to assist States and local governments with the distribution and tracking of vaccines for COVID-19, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a national program to oversee the collection and maintenance of all Federal and State data on vaccinations of individuals in the United States for COVID-19 to achieve mass vaccination saturation immunity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. KELLER (for himself and Ms. WILD):

H.R. 331. A bill to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to provide flexibility in training and competency requirements for skilled nursing facility and nursing facility nursing aides under the Medicare and Medicaid programs; 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 Mr. KINZINGER (for himself and Ms. KELLY of Illinois):

H.R. 332. A bill to amend the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 to encourage a victim-centered approach to combating human trafficking, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BISHOP of Georgia:

H.R. 333. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated less than 50 percent to receive concurrent payment of both retired pay and veterans disability compensation, to extend eligibility for concurrent receipt to chapter 61 disability retirees with less than 20 years of service, and for other purposes; 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. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. COOPER, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CASTEN, Ms. DEAN, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. LYNCH, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. HIMES, Mrs. LURIA, Mr. GREEN of

Texas, Mr. JONES, Mr. VARGAS, and Mr. BOWMAN):

H.R. 334. A bill to provide law enforcement agencies investigating the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol with the authority to require a company to disclose the beneficial owners of the company, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of Washington:

H.R. 335. A bill to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SPANBERGER (for herself, Mr. ROY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. JONES, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. PERRY, Mr. KELLER, and Mr. WRIGHT):

H.R. 336. A bill to require Members of Congress and their spouses and dependent children to place certain assets into blind trusts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. SPANBERGER (for herself and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 337. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to clarify the application to informational materials posted on online platforms by agents of foreign principals of the disclaimer requirements applicable under such Act to informational materials transmitted by agents of foreign principals through the United States mails, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TORRES of New York (for himself and Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin):

H.R. 338. A bill to clarify the counting of electoral votes in Congress to be a National Special Security Event; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 339. A bill to direct the Architect of the Capitol to design and install an appropriate fence around the perimeter of the United States Capitol, including the East Front and the West Front; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. VEASEY (for himself, Mr. ALLRED, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CARSON, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COOPER, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. KIND, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. POCAN, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. VELA, Ms. WILD, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Mr. LEVIN of California):

H.R. 340. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide the same level of Federal matching assistance for every State that chooses to expand Medicaid coverage to newly eligible individuals, regardless of when such expansion takes place; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas:

H.R. 341. A bill to make permanent certain telehealth flexibilities established in response to COVID-19; 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 Mr. ZELDIN (for himself, Miss RICE of New York, and Ms. MENG):

H.R. 342. A bill to provide for the issuance of a PFC Garfield M. Langhorn Memorial Semipostal Stamp to Benefit our Veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, 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 Mr. MEEKS (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. LIEU, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. LEE of California, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.J. Res. 15. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of certain defense articles and services; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. MEEKS (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. LIEU, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. LEE of California, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.J. Res. 16. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed transfer to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Kingdom of Spain, and the Italian Republic of certain defense articles and services; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. ADAMS (for herself, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Ms. JACKSON LEE):

H. Res. 48. A resolution recognizing the 113th anniversary of the founding of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

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. BANKS:

H.R. 322.

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

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 4, clause I of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. BASS:

H.R. 323.

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

Article 1, Section 1 of the United States Constitution, providing—"All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."

By Mrs. BUSTOS:

H.R. 324.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. COHEN:

H.R. 325.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 326.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 327.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3: The Congress shall have the Power to regulate Commerce

with foreign Nations, and among the several states, and with Indian Tribes.

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 328.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress)

By Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN:

H.R. 329.

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

Article I, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution

"All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."

Article III, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution

"The judicial Power of the United States, shall be vested in one supreme Court, and in such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish. The Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and shall, at stated Times, receive for their Services, a Compensation, which shall not be diminished during their Continuance in Office."

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:

H.R. 330.

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, Clauses 1 and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. KELLER:

H.R. 331.

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

Article 1, Section 2, Clause 18

By Mr. KINZINGER:

H.R. 332.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution which states that Congress has the 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. BISHOP of Georgia:

H.R. 333.

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

Art. I, Sect. 8, Clause I: to provide for the common defense and general welfare.

Art. I, Sect. 8, Clause 12: to raise and support armies.

Art I., Sect. 8, Clause 14: The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces, as enumerated in Art. I, Sect. 8, Clause 14 of the United States Constitution.

Art. I, Sect. 8, Clause 16: to provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress.

Art. I, Sect. 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 the Constitution in the Government of the United States or in any Department or Officer thereof

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 334.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. SMITH of Washington:

H.R. 335.

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

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress "to provide for the common Defence", "to raise and support Armies", "to provide and maintain a Navy" and "to make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces" as enumerated in Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. SPANBERGER:

H.R. 336.

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

U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. SPANBERGER:

H.R. 337.

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

U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 338.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 339.

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

Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. VEASEY:

H.R. 340.

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

Article 1, Section 8 (relating to interstate commerce)

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas:

H.R. 341.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. ZELDIN:

H.R. 342.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. MEEKS:

H.J. Res. 15.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.

By Mr. MEEKS:

H.J. Res. 16.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 28: Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, and Mr. WALTZ.

H.R. 40: Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. NEWMAN, and Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 151: Mr. CARSON, Mr. TAKANO, and Ms. WILD.

H.R. 152: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Mr. MCNERNEY.

H.R. 153: Mr. WELCH, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mr. TRONE.

H.R. 157: Ms. CHU.

H.R. 217: Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. KELLER, Mr. STEWART, and Mr. BUDD.

H.R. 243: Mr. KELLER, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, and Mr. BALDERSON.

H.R. 262: Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia and Mr. MCEACHIN.

H.R. 263: Mr. BUCK, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. MENG, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mrs. LURIA, and Mr. GALLEGRO.

H.R. 265: Mr. GALLEGRO and Mr. KAHELE.

H.R. 279: Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. SOTO, Mr. LIEU, and Mr. MCEACHIN.

H.R. 287: Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida and Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.

H.R. 289: Mr. BROOKS.

H.R. 301: Ms. BUSH.

H.R. 302: Ms. NORTON, Mr. BEYER, Mr. HOYER, Mr. BROWN, and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.

H.J. Res. 7: Mr. ROSENDALE.

H. Res. 39: Mr. ALLEN, Mr. LATTA, Ms. FOXX, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. CROW, Mr. BABIN, Mr.

LOUDERMILK, Ms. CHENEY, Mr. CASE, Mr. FOSTER, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. BARR, Mr. BRADY, Mr. BUDD, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. EMMER, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. ISSA, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. OBERNOLTE, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. STAUBER, and Mrs. WALORSKI.

H. Res. 42: Mr. MCEACHIN.



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Senate

The Senate met at 10 and 8 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable BEN SASSE, a Senator from the State of Nebraska.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 15, 2021.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable BEN SASSE, a Senator from the State of Nebraska, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,
JANUARY 19, 2021, AT 12 NOON

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 12 noon on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 42 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 12 noon.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

REMEMBERING WARNER TIMMONS

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Warner Timmons, another beloved husband, father and grandfather lost suddenly and senselessly to COVID-19 on December 15.

I would like to use my personal privilege to share the words of his son, Jay Timmons, on the event of his father's passing:

I am proud and blessed to be Warner Timmons' son. I share his name, as does my own son. I inherited his sarcastic chuckle and his devious laugh, as well as his love of practical jokes—and there has never been someone as good at them as him. His timing was perfect right until the end. He always looked out for those less fortunate and was always rooting for the underdog—traits that he impressed on me to carry with me throughout my career. He passed on his love of animals, especially rescued dogs and cats, of which there were many in our family. Dad taught me how to tie a tie perfectly as I entered the working world—a full Windsor knot with a dimple in the center, even though I was applying to work at a fast-food restaurant.

He taught me to be respectful to every other human being I encountered and to always have confidence in myself. Even though he was raised in difficult economic conditions during the Great Depression, he coached me on the importance of table manners, of extending courtesy toward others and of maintaining a firm handshake. He taught me to work hard and to take pride in that work. His own work ethic was strengthened during his time in the U.S. Air Force, where he was an airman first class—and was also first chair trumpet in the Air Force Band on his last tour of duty in the former French Morocco in the 1950s. He enjoyed passing along his love of music to his grandkids.

Maybe the most important thing I learned from my Dad is to never back down from a fight. So, Dad, I promise you one more time that I won't stop now. I'll keep fighting, in every way I can, to help others and to get our country that you loved so much to the other side of this nightmare that was so preventable. And I will hope and pray that doing so will protect other families from enduring the searing pain that we feel right now.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANDY HARRIS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. HARRIS. Madam Speaker, I regret to inform you that I was unable to vote on January 13, 2021, due to an unavoidable conflict. Had I been present, I would have voted NO on Roll Call No. 17.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Mr. KEATING. Madam Speaker, opponents of this resolution cite the need for unity as a basis of their opposition to impeach the President. The key question, though, is what are we united around. Is it to support a President who summoned, assembled, and lit the flame of this attack—in the words of the Republican Minority Whip—or is it to unite around free and fair elections, a constitutional transfer of power, and our core democratic beliefs. Those members on the other side of the aisle joining us in supporting this resolution are true uniters. The way to unite—and ultimately protect—our country is to hold responsible the person who incited this insurrection.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I strongly support the impeachment of President Donald J. Trump, who has violated his oath of office by calling for and causing an insurrection at the Capitol. This House would be complicit if it did nothing with the available responses. One, however, has been taken off the table. Vice President Pence has said he will not call the Cabinet together to remove the president on the grounds of disability. Besides, the use of the 25th Amendment would raise its own set of questions for most, such as whether Trump is disabled. That amendment is usually invoked when a President is hospitalized. Many would argue that Trump's actions show himself in true form.

Impeachment is not without its problems, especially with only seven days left before Trump is out of office. The proposal to delay the Senate trial when President-elect Biden hopes to reinvigorate the urgently needed program to vaccinate Americans against the coronavirus and focus on other priorities is also problematic. There is also no precedent of an impeachment trial for a former president.

There are issues surrounding the most discussed remedies. I say this not because I do not support these remedies, but to draw attention to the need for Congress to go on record—to go on record immediately against the insurrection of January 6, 2021. The only

way to do that before Biden takes office is to pass my concurrent resolution censuring the President for his attempted coup, even after votes had been counted and recounted and had been certified for Biden, and for inciting an insurrection at the Capitol. Moreover, my resolution, which, unlike impeachment and conviction, would require only a majority vote of the House and Senate, and, under the 14th Amendment, would prohibit Trump from holding office again, unless a supermajority of both chambers voted to allow him to serve again. My resolution, therefore, to censure the President has the possibility of being accepted in both Houses since it does not have the high vote threshold in the Senate as conviction after impeachment does. It also points to the President's admonition to Georgia's Secretary of State, Brad Raffensperger, to find 11,779 votes.

I believe my resolution can obtain bipartisan and bicameral support given the strongly expressed views of Members of the House and Senate about the incitement. My resolution is not all that the President deserves. This resolution, however, will put the Congress on record against the Trump-inspired insurrection before the next President takes office.

HONORING SHARON PAPO

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Sharon Esther Papo, a community activist in the Santa Cruz County community on the central coast of California, for over fifteen years of work standing for justice and lived equality for the LGBTQ+ community.

It is my honor to recognize her as she leaves her role as Executive Director of the Diversity Center of Santa Cruz County to spend more time with her family. Her leadership over the past eight years has allowed the organization to excel through funding, policy, and COVID-19 pandemic challenges.

Sharon's activism and professional career have followed her educational journey, where she earned a B.A. in Feminist Studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz and a Master's Degree in Social Welfare from the University of California, Berkeley, and soon became a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

Sharon has worked with the LGBTQ+ community for more than 15 years, beginning with her time as Program Coordinator for the STRANGE youth program at the Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center.

During her time as Executive Director, Sharon has led the Diversity Center to put a more specific focus on the needs of the most vulnerable segments of our the LGBTQ+ population on the Central Coast, including youth, seniors, queer people of color, and people who identify as transgender or gender neutral. Sharon has also collaborated with key local

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health organizations to train hundreds of clinicians and frontline medical staff in providing culturally appropriate services to the LGBTQ+ community.

Sharon's strong strategic partnerships with social service organizations in our community have ensured a visible queer presence and access to necessary services throughout Santa Cruz County. She has led the Diversity Center to steady financial footing, tripling its financial support from community members, governmental agencies, and foundations, allowing for an expanded offering of services for the LGBTQ+ community on the Central Coast in a permanent setting.

Sharon's positive attitude, graciousness, and dedication have served her well as she represented the challenges faced by LGBTQ+ people in her work with community leaders. She has been a thoughtful and strong advocate for creating anti-racist awareness and action as a primary element of the Diversity Center's mission in its community. Madam Speaker, the people of the Central Coast are proud of Sharon Papo and her tireless work on behalf of the LGBTQ+ community. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating her dedication and wishing her the best wherever the future may take her.

RECOGNIZING ALTOMONTE'S
ITALIAN MARKET AND DELI FOR
THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a staple of my district, Altomonte's Italian Market and Deli. Altomonte's was originally founded as Mike's Meat Shop in 1971 by 2 Italian immigrants, Mike and Frances Grispingo. In honor of their Italian hometown, Altomonte, they elected to change the name of the establishment to Altomonte's. Through much commitment and hard work, this family owned business has grown from a small butcher shop to a full-scale market and deli with 2 locations in Bucks County.

Altomonte's prides themselves in having a friendly, hard-working, and knowledgeable staff. In addition to serving fine Italian cuisine, Altomonte's plays an active role enriching the community they live in. As our Nation continues to deal with the realities of COVID-19, they have been a shining example for both customer and employee safety. This year, 2021, Altomonte's will celebrate its 50th anniversary. We are extremely grateful for the impact Altomonte's has had on our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR.
GENEROSO "HENI" GUTIERREZ
GASCON

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. KEATING. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the life of Dr. Generoso "Henri" Gutierrez Gascon, who led a life committed to serving others.

Henri was born in Honolulu, Hawaii in 1936 to Filipino parents who had emigrated to work on the islands' sugarcane and pineapple plantations. Raised in rural Kahuku, Henri attended the Punahou school in Honolulu and, after graduation, moved to New York to attend Columbia University, followed by medical school at Boston University. He had a lifelong passion for education, believing that his life's course was made possible by the opportunity afforded him through academic scholarships and teachers who inspired him.

Henri would serve as a Captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during the Vietnam War before pursuing an illustrious career in academic medicine that spanned from Boston to North Dakota to Saudi Arabia, and, at last, to his cherished home on beautiful Cape Cod. He was a renowned pediatric neurologist and researcher, founding the Learning Disabilities Clinic at Boston Children's Hospital and pioneering new treatments and pediatric neurology programs.

Throughout his life, Henri never tired of exploration, bringing his family to Greece, Egypt, Turkey, Kenya and Germany, among other locations. He was also an active sports enthusiast, establishing youth sports programs in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and was often found playing golf and tennis with family and friends.

Dr. Gascon left us on December 8th, 2020, at the age of 84. His commitment to his work and to the people around him will long be remembered and cherished by his family, friends, colleagues, and greater community. He is survived by his beloved friend, partner and wife Susan, four children, seven grandchildren, and countless others across the nation.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Dr. Generoso "Henri" Gutierrez Gascon. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his life's commitment to serving and caring for others within his community.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 24, a resolution of impeachment against the President of the United States. Our institution of representative democracy is a beacon of hope for millions of people around the world and has been for nearly 250 years. Last week, the President changed all that when he incited domestic terrorists to tear that beacon down. He put the lives of every person in our Capitol at risk, including those in the presidential line of succession, Members of Congress, congressional employees and staff, and the men and women of the U.S. Capitol Police. The insurrectionists wanted to hang the Vice President, kill the Speaker and take Members of Congress hostage. They came frighteningly close to achieving their objective.

Make no mistake, the attack the President incited on January 6, 2021, was an illegal power grab. It was a criminal attempt to dis-

rupt the certification of the Electoral College vote, to overturn the result of our Presidential election and to decimate our democracy. The President knew what he was doing. He knew the lies he spewed on Twitter, at his rally on the Ellipse and through his surrogates had the potential to inspire violence. He did not care. In fact, the President was reportedly delighted by the mayhem he unleashed. There has never been a more unconscionable act of sedition from a public servant, let alone a President of the United States.

This seditious act must have consequences. That's why, today, I am voting for the Article of Impeachment charging the President with inciting the January 6 insurrection. He must be held accountable. The Senate must swiftly convict and remove the President from office. He is too dangerous to remain another week.

HONORING UNITED STATES CAPITOL
POLICE OFFICER EUGENE
GOODMAN

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, as we move forward and heal from the January 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol, I rise to honor U.S. Capitol Police Officer Eugene Goodman. An Iraq combat veteran and former member of the XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, Officer Goodman was an American hero long before he valiantly protected this body.

Officer Goodman risked his life on January 6, 2021, as he lured a violent mob away from an unguarded entrance to the U.S. Senate Chamber. His courageous actions that day protected our colleagues, their staff, and our democracy. Officer Goodman represents the very best of law enforcement, and to him our nation owes an immeasurable debt.

As Fort Bragg's Congressman, I extend my most heartfelt appreciation to Officer Goodman on behalf of North Carolina and our entire country.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring U.S. Capitol Police Officer Eugene Goodman.

IN RESPONSE TO INSURRECTION
AT OUR NATION'S CAPITOL

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in response to the violent insurrection we bore witness to at the helm of our Republic on January 6, 2021.

We will never forget the destruction, desecration, and loss of human life that now haunts these revered halls.

I am heartbroken that some of those occupying the highest offices of our land have engaged in seditious speech and conduct that has threatened the safety and honor of our most vital democratic institutions. I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in demanding accountability for all

those who stood against the American way on that dreadful day, and those who failed in their duty to protect and preserve this sacred democracy.

May this body return to our critical work unafraid of the challenges that lie before us, grounded in the principles of truth, respect, and justice that our role requires. I love our country, and I vow to safeguard our Republic so long as I have the privilege of holding this office.

I wish to thank the brave Capitol Police officers and other law enforcement on the scene who put themselves in harm's way to protect Members of Congress, congressional staff, and members of the Capitol Hill press corps. I also want to extend my profound condolences to the families of those that we lost amid the chaos. We will not be deterred in our mission to deliver for the American people.

HONORING JUDGE STEVEN R.
SANDERS

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Presiding Judge Steven R. Sanders for his legal career spanning 37 years as well as his nearly 34 years in public service. His professional accomplishments and leadership in the community of San Benito County have greatly improved the lives of those living on the central coast of California, and I congratulate him on his retirement.

Judge Sanders is a Salinas native and has always felt he had an affinity for advocacy. This affinity would motivate Judge Sanders to put himself through college, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications at the University of California, Davis. After graduation, he attended the University of the Pacific's McGeorge School of Law while working as a clerk at a Sacramento law firm. Judge Sanders said that the law was a natural direction for him to take.

Upon returning to the Central Coast, Judge Sanders became a member of the San Benito County Counsel from 1987 to 2000, including six months as County Administrative Officer. He later became a Superior Court Judge from 2001 to 2021, which included 10 years as Presiding Judge. During his 20 years on the bench, Judge Sanders integrated a consolidated jury trial schedule to improve efficiency, founded a drug calendar for DEJP and Prop 36, created a library literacy program for the children of felony probationers to reduce recidivism, served as the Juvenile Dependency Court Judge for 14 years, and was a Professor of Law at Monterey College of Law for over 10 years where he taught Civil Procedure. Further, he established in-chambers discussion to manage increasing caseload, designed vertically integrated calendars, and formed collaborative courts including Drug Court, Behavioral Health Court, and Parental Responsibility and Truancy Court. In addition, Judge Sanders presided over the approval and construction of a new courthouse and the Veteran's Diversion and Mental Health Diversion calendars.

Judge Sanders recently stated, "I am proud of the fact that the Superior Court has contin-

ued to increase the public's access to justice, while maintaining the highest standards of fairness and impartiality to all. I am honored to have served all the people of San Benito County." We, on the Central Coast, are grateful for Judge Sanders' dedication to justice and his service to San Benito County. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in honoring and congratulating Presiding Judge Steven R. Sanders on his retirement.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, as an elected Member of Congress, I take the same oath as the President of the United States: "I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic." I believe President Donald Trump violated that oath of office on and before January 6, 2021. So, it is with heavy heart that I vote, for the second time, to impeach.

This decision was not done rashly. I have listened to my constituents, who overwhelmingly support impeachment, and consulted with Republicans, Independents and Democrats. It is my firm resolve that in America no person is above the law. We must hold the President accountable for his actions. The President violated his oath of office when he worked to invalidate the votes of American citizens with false and unproven accusations of voter fraud over the last three months. He took it further by inciting a violent mob to attack the Capitol on January 6, 2021. In a well-documented public address, he urged his supporters to march on the Capitol and to do everything they could to stop "a fraudulent election" that the Congress was voting to certify, as we are required to do under the constitution. The result was an attack on our Nation's Capitol, our symbol of democracy here in the United States and around the world. This group of thugs, took over the Senate chamber, desecrated the Speaker's office, paraded the Confederate battle flag in the rotunda and killed a Capitol Police officer.

The President has blood on his hands.

We cannot let his action go unchecked. If we do not act, we send the message that our oath does not matter, and we will erode the very principles this great country was founded on.

It didn't have to be this way. The President could have adhered to the norms that all his predecessors followed by acknowledging that he lost the election fair and square. A transfer of power from a defeated incumbent to a victor of a different party has happened throughout our history starting with John Adams conceding to Thomas Jefferson. As his predecessors did, the President could have committed to a peaceful transfer of power. He could have avoided putting our country through this traumatic and frightful confrontation by speaking the truth.

No person is above the law. President Donald Trump lied to the American people and

then urged a violent group of traitors to overthrow our legislative branch of government and overturn an election. For these reasons I sadly voted to impeach the President of the United States.

HONORING DIANA BISHOP

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Diana Bishop as she retires from a distinguished career in law enforcement spanning more than three decades and culminating in her role as Chief of the San Rafael Police Department.

Chief Bishop grew up in Los Altos, CA. She earned a bachelor's degree in public administration from the University of San Francisco followed by an executive master's degree in public administration from Golden Gate University. She went on to graduate from the 219th Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy. Her career in law enforcement began with the Santa Clara Police Department where she served for 26 years and rose to the rank of Captain. She was selected to serve as Chief of the San Rafael Police Department on January 4, 2012. Notably, she was the first woman to lead the organization since its creation in 1915.

Chief Bishop developed a reputation for her hands-on approach to leadership, accessibility to the local community, and penchant for innovation. Under her leadership, the Department adopted numerous reforms and initiatives including being the first agency in Marin County to implement body-worn cameras across its entire force. She launched a unique Spanish-language citizens academy to increase transparency and foster community relations. Chief Bishop also strengthened the Department's focus on social services by hiring a Mental Health Outreach Provider to support those suffering from behavioral issues, substance abuse, or experiencing homelessness, among others.

Diversity and racial equality were key priorities for Chief Bishop. She joined the community in voicing strong support for efforts to combat racial injustice, and her mentorship increased diversity among the Department's ranks. Chief Bishop's emphasis on de-escalation and implicit bias training helped ensure the Department delivered a higher standard of service.

Through good times and difficult moments, Chief Bishop never wavered from her core mission of serving San Rafael residents, and the City is better because of her dedication to its people and places. Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in honoring Chief Bishop for her many years of selfless service to San Rafael and extending to her best wishes on her next endeavors.

RECOGNIZING MAYOR DANIELLA
LEVINE CAVA

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commend Mayor Daniella Levine Cava on the occasion of her historic election as the first female Mayor of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Daniella Levine Cava was sworn in as Mayor of Miami-Dade County on Tuesday, November 17, 2020, making history as the first woman to do so. Prior to her historic election, she served as the Miami-Dade County Commissioner representing District 8, first elected in 2014, and reelected in 2018. Her district included Palmetto Bay, Cutler Bay, Homestead, and unincorporated areas of South Miami-Dade including Redland, Falls, Princeton, Naranja, Leisure City and parts of West Kendall.

While a member of the Miami-Dade County Commission, she served on the following Committees: Transportation and Finance; Infrastructure and Capital Improvements; Public Safety and Rehabilitation; and the Community Disparities Subcommittee of the Chair's Policy Council. She also served on the Transportation Planning Organization and the Executive Board of the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

Additionally as a Commissioner, her efforts focused on delivering on a variety of issues like: Fighting for a fair share of resources for South Miami-Dade, increasing the County police force by 80 officers, expanding economic opportunity, championing parks and the environment, advocating for transit improvements and better planning, and hosting the annual South Dade Solutions Summit. She secured over \$30 million in funds for infrastructure projects in South Miami-Dade.

Mayor Levine Cava came to elected office after having served as an advocate for South Florida families for over 30 years. She served special needs children and immigrants at Legal Services of Greater Miami, and then represented children in the child welfare system as Associate and Legal Director for the Guardian Ad Litem Program.

Madam Speaker, in the aftermath of devastating Hurricane Andrew, she was recruited to create a new intake system for child abuse cases with the Florida Department of Children and Families. Her efforts were concentrated on the neighborhoods of Miami-Dade County's District 8, where she helped restore the lives and homes of those devastated by the storm.

In 1996, Mayor Levine Cava founded the social service organization Catalyst Miami, to help low- and middle-income families through education and advocacy. Catalyst helps approximately 5,000 people each year to become more self-sufficient.

The passionate work that Mayor Levine Cava has done in the community also includes service with notable organizations like the Florida Bar Committee on Legal Needs of Children; the boards of League of Women Voters, Orange Bowl Foundation, North Dade Medical Foundation, South Florida Health Information Initiative, and several national boards.

She has been recognized and awarded for her impact on the community by numerous or-

ganizations including: the Commission on Ethics, Red Cross, American Society for Public Administration, ACLU, National Council of Jewish Women and AAUW, among others.

Born in New York and raised partly in Latin America, Mayor Daniella received her bachelor's degree in psychology with honors from Yale University and graduate degrees in law and social work from Columbia University.

She came to South Florida in 1980 to join her husband, Dr. Robert Cava, a Miami native, who returned home to join his father in medical practice. Mayor Levine Cava and her husband raised two children, Eliza and Edward Cava.

Madam Speaker, I urge you, my colleagues in Congress, and all Americans to join me in honoring Mayor Daniella Levine Cava for her historic election as the first female Mayor of Miami-Dade County, Florida and her dedication and commitment to her community and our great Nation.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of impeaching the President of the United States of America, Donald, J. Trump for high crimes and misdemeanors.

One week ago, in this Capitol Building, there was an armed insurrection orchestrated and incited by the President of the United States himself.

Think about that for a moment—led and encouraged by the President of the United States. This threat to our democracy can never be overstated; the trauma experienced, and loss of life, can never be erased from our collective memory or minimized in our history books.

Look at this room, look at this building, the scars of bullet holes and mob attack remain. We are working within a crime scene. Many of my friends and colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, were only moments away from being overrun by this mob—that was armed with guns, handcuffs, chemical weapons, and other objects of death and destruction.

The mob violently smashed its way into the Capitol. They sought the Speaker of the House to cause her harm. They sought the Vice President of the United States to cause him harm. Their goal was to overturn the most important element of our electoral democracy—a free and fair election.

Madam Speaker, President Trump has declared war on democracy. He lied to our country for weeks regarding the results of our Presidential election. He charged up the white supremacist mob that attacked this Congress. He did nothing as police were attacked, and killed, and hundreds of Members and staff hid under tables and behind doors to preserve their lives. He is a clear and present danger to this country and our democracy and he must be removed from office.

Were it not for the bravery of law enforcement, I'm afraid of what may have happened one week ago.

What we do today will be studied by our children and grandchildren. Nobody is above the law. A President's primary job requirement is to protect and preserve the Constitution of the United States, and the lives of the American people. He has demonstrably failed at both.

I implore my colleagues to consider this. If we are not going to use the tool of impeachment provided by the U.S. constitution to hold those accountable for violent sedition against the United States, then what should it be used for?

When our time comes to vote in only a matter of moments, I call on all members in this chamber to honor their oaths, an oath we signed only 10 days ago: "I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I'm about to enter. So help me God."

History demands that we hold Donald Trump accountable for dangerously failing to abide by this sacred oath.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN
TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH
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SPEECH OF

HON. LUCILE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, last week, we experienced a tragic day in American history when President Donald Trump incited insurrection with irresponsible aggressive rhetoric that encouraged and incited a mob of his supporters to violently breach and defile the United States Capitol Building. This attack was a supreme act of domestic terrorism that ultimately led to bloodshed and death in the sacred temple of our democracy.

I take no joy in voting to impeach President Trump, but the president has blood on his hands in the wake of this attempted coup. The fact remains no one, including the president of the United States, is above the law. And this president has sadly violated his oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic. As members of Congress who have taken that same pledge, it is our duty to take this action.

His constant bombardment of false information alleging widespread voter fraud and his repeated attempts to delegitimize the 2020 presidential election has deeply divided an already fractured nation and has violently turned American against American. As this unprecedented attack on American democracy and our Constitution transpired, President Trump was reported to gleefully watch on television the attempted destruction to our nation's capitol while ignoring repeated pleas for him to call on his supporters to stand down.

Trump continues to reject any responsibility for the violence and has shown no remorse or

concern for those who have died because of his insurrection. A heartbreaking example was his initial failure to honor the fallen Capitol Police officers by lowering the White House flag to half-staff.

At a time when thousands of Americans are dying of an insidious virus, which demands effective presidential leadership and unity of purpose to defeat, the president continues to be focused solely on himself. Defeating this pandemic cannot be undertaken while we have a president who denies its existence and is actively encouraging violence to overturn a well-documented free and fair election.

Even after the tragedy of January 6th, Trump continues to fuel the fire of his supporters with his self-serving and dangerous rhetoric and to incite violence and distrust across America. He still refuses to denounce the insurrection and unequivocally call on his supporters to stand down from carrying out their armed threats against our nation's capitol and state capitols across the country.

This lack of leadership and concern for the lives of our countrymen and women is one more example that confirms Donald Trump is unfit for office and poses a true danger to America and American democracy. To protect our country and our democracy, he must be impeached and barred from holding federal office again.

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I cast my vote today for the safety of my constituents and all Americans nationwide, and for the survival of our democracy in the days, months, and years to come. In good conscience, I simply have no other choice.

HONORING PETE LOPEZ

HON. JENNIFFER GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN

OF PUERTO RICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN. Madam Speaker I rise today in recognition of the service of Pete Lopez, who is ending his term as Regional Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency for Region 2.

Region 2 includes New York, New Jersey, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico, and having someone with Puerto Rico roots in charge of this Region was especially important in these last 4 years.

Puerto Rico was already facing important challenges in the areas of solid waste management, brownfields, power plant emissions and Superfund sites, in a territory with very limited extension of lands and waters. Pete Lopez made a great effort to work together with the Island government, the municipalities, and my office, to move through bureaucratic hurdles, review prior decisions, and inform the stakeholders, in order to perform the necessary work to protect the environment and empower the economic recovery of our communities.

But it was the devastation created by Hurricanes Irma and Maria that resulted in the big-

gest challenge with damage to environmental control facilities, drinking and wastewater processing infrastructure, and the generation of prodigious amounts of debris that our overstretched solid waste management systems were in no position to handle. Puerto Rico found in Pete Lopez a tireless supporter committed to our recovery and to have our rebuilding proceed the right way. Prior to joining EPA Mr. Lopez served as a Member of the New York State Assembly for over 10 years and 6 terms. During this time, Mr. Lopez successfully addressed flood recovery issues; helped create jobs; and both supported and advocated for children, families, teachers, schools, businesses, family farms and more. This definitely prepared him for what he had to face during his tenure at EPA. He knows what constituents need and what are their concerns, and what local and state governments need from the federal agencies.

As he completes this stage in his career, I congratulate him on his achievements, recognize his great efforts and wish him every possible success on the road ahead. Thank you, gracias, Pete, for your collaboration and for being there for us.

IN RECOGNITION OF JESSE JAMES JACKSON

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. KEATING. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the extraordinary life of Jesse James Jackson, a Congressional Gold Medal recipient, a United States Marine veteran, and successful entrepreneur.

Jesse was born in Savannah, Georgia in 1921. As soon as he was able, Jesse enlisted with the United States Marine Corps at the age of 21. Jesse served prior to World War II training Black volunteers at Montford Point, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. After the outbreak of war, Jackson earned the rank of sergeant fighting valiantly in the Pacific Theater and was honorably discharged from service in 1946.

His service, and that of his fellow Marines at Montford Point, was recognized with the Congressional Gold Medal. I was proud to present the nation's highest civilian honor for distinguished achievement to Jesse personally. During World War Two, African American Marines served with courage and distinction, and they were instrumental in the integration of the United States armed forces. Their service extended to the greater civil rights movement, with many becoming mayors, lawyers, educators, doctors and in Jesse's case, successful entrepreneurs. Shortly after serving in the Marines, Jesse moved to Boston, Massachusetts. There, he ran a myriad of successful businesses and entrepreneurial ventures, including; Jesse's Fish and Chips, Jesse's Taxi and Slades Nightclub.

After a successful career, Jesse retired to Plymouth, Massachusetts. However, he by no means slowed down. Jesse was quite the jetsetter and was constantly on the move, continuing to live life to the fullest.

Jesse James Jackson passed away on December 13th, 2020, at the age of 99. His commitment to breaking racial barriers in order to

fight for our country will not be forgotten. Jackson's legacy will continue to be honored and cherished by our nation and the many people he touched throughout his life.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Jesse James Jackson. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his life's commitment to our country.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. ALMA S. ADAMS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Ms. ADAMS. Madam Speaker, last Wednesday, domestic terrorists breached the security of our Capitol, desecrated the temple of our democratic republic, and disrupted one of our most sacred duties: counting the people's votes for president.

This mob acted on baseless conspiracy theories under the direction and encouragement of Donald Trump.

While they did not stop us from fulfilling our constitutional duty, six people died, including two Capitol Police Officers.

Today, we gather to deliver accountability; and it starts with the President, whose actions and words led directly to the insurrection on January 6th.

Make no mistake, the choice is clear: we either stand as guardians of justice and democracy, or as appeasers of fascism, autocracy, and white supremacy.

We have an obligation to defend the sanctity of our Constitution and lead our country toward healing and unity.

That does not happen by brushing the President's actions under the rug. It requires speaking the truth and doing the right thing.

If my colleagues are supporters and champions of American democracy and the rule of law, they should vote YES on this resolution, and show that attacks against our most sacred institutions will not stand.

IMPEACHING DONALD JOHN TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

HON. KWEISI MFUME

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Mr. MFUME. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Ms. PELOSI and our House Democratic colleagues who moved swiftly to begin impeachment proceedings against President Donald J. Trump for his role in inciting the deadly January 6, 2021 attack on this United States Capitol.

This impeachment is not about politics. It is about the President's failed attempt to overturn a free and fair election, a violent insurrection, and the ongoing threat this President poses to our nation.

For months, President Trump knowingly spread falsehoods about a "stolen election" in

an effort to subvert the results and a peaceful transfer of power. Through an act of desperation, he called and threatened a government official demanding that he finds "lost votes" in Georgia or face criminal charges. As if this were not enough, the President went a step further, pressuring Vice President MICHAEL PENCE to unlawfully reject certification of Electoral College votes. Then, in a last-ditch effort to regain power, on the morning of January 6, 2021, President Trump urged his supporters to prevent Congress from certifying the election results.

The scenes from January 6th's deadly domestic terror attack will forever be etched in the hearts and minds of our families, neighbors, and colleagues. Mr. Trump has peddled vitriol, violent anger, and extremism for years. Since the day he was elected to serve this great nation as Commander in Chief, he has provided oxygen to the dangerous ideologies of white supremacy. That hate grew, festered, and eventually culminated into the chaos and siege of the U.S. Capitol. Five Americans died during this violent attack and more than 50 police officers were seriously injured.

President Trump, through his traitorous incitement of insurrection, broke his constitutional oath to preserve, protect, and defend our country. This offense warrants not only impeachment but immediate removal from office and permanent disqualification from holding any office of honor, trust, or profit in these United States.

While it is unfortunate that our nation has come to this place, it is incumbent upon Congress to act. I firmly believe history will judge the idle and the complicit. On the 13th day of January in the year 2021, I am standing with my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to perform my constitutional duty to protect American democracy and defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

I will vote to impeach Donald J. Trump.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS
OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH
OF CARONDELET FOR ESTABLISHING
ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the contributions of the Sisters of St. Jo-

seph of Carondelet for establishing St. Joseph's Hospital in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

History has shown us that communities are only able to flourish and succeed when they have health care providers that can help address the needs of the people. Nowhere is this more evident than the pivotal role the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet played in helping develop Saint Paul and the entire state of Minnesota.

Located in downtown Saint Paul, St. Joseph's Hospital was founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet as the first hospital in Minnesota. As the Sisters of St. Joseph saw the tragic effects of a cholera epidemic in 1853, they identified the urgent need for a health clinic and lobbied the community to help build what would become St. Joseph's Hospital. The ground-breaking facility on Exchange Street was completed in 1854. Since then, St. Joseph's Hospital has served the Saint Paul and East Metro community for nearly 170 years, providing quality and compassionate care for those who need it most.

This core mission of serving those most in need is what caused the Sisters of St. Joseph to focus on providing exceptional child and maternal health care. Whether at St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Joseph's Academy in Saint Paul, or one of the other institutions founded by these Sisters, orphans have always been welcomed with open arms. Moreover, St. Joseph's Hospital has served as a regional hub for providing women the care they need when delivering their child. On a personal level, St. Joseph's will always have a special place in my heart because it is where I delivered both of my children. Like countless other women before and after me, I was provided the maternal care I needed by the best health professionals. I will always be grateful for the tremendous staff that cared for me in my time of need at St. Joseph's.

This past year has largely mirrored the events which led to the creation of St. Joseph's Hospital—but rather than grappling with cholera, we face the challenges of COVID-19. During our current pandemic, St. Joseph's Hospital has acted as an essential hub of health care for my district, delivering urgent care to many, including those dealing with COVID-19. The doctors, nurses, and support staff of St. Joseph's have been serving on the front lines of this national emergency and continue to do so with tremendous selflessness. Whether addressing a cholera epidemic, the 1918 flu pandemic, or the current COVID-19 pandemic, St. Joseph's mission of delivering

care to those who need it most has not strayed from the principles set forth by the founding Sisters of St. Joseph.

As Saint Paul and its surrounding area has changed over the years, so has St. Joseph's Hospital, which has now become part of the M Health Fairview network. While I was saddened with the closure of the St. Joseph's labor and delivery center in 2017 and the recent closure of its emergency department, I understand the rapidly changing realities facing the health care industry. I am confident that while the method of delivering care to those who need it may continue to evolve, the commitment to service maintained by the Sisters will prevail for years to come.

Madam Speaker, I am pleased to recognize the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet in honor of their amazing contributions, and for their legacy of improving the health and well-being of Minnesotans.

COMMENDING THE LEADERSHIP
OF MARK MORGAN AT CUSTOMS
AND BORDER PROTECTION

HON. CHIP ROY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 15, 2021

Mr. ROY. Madam Speaker, today, I want to pay tribute to the members of the Customs and Border Protection who keep our nation safe, and in particular, their leader for the last 18 months, Commissioner Mark Morgan.

As a Texan, I have spent countless hours with the courageous men and women of the Border Patrol who have confronted often insurmountable odds on a southwest border forsaken by Washington politicians and left to be operationally controlled by dangerous Mexican cartels.

Mark has been an extraordinary leader of CBP—fearlessly standing up against those cartels, condemning reckless open border policies, guarding the American people from the various threats posed by China, and relentlessly fighting to defend our national security and with the patriotism and dedication appropriate for a career law enforcement officer.

America is a safer, stronger, and better country because of his service, and I am honored to call him a friend.

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Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 10:00:08 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:42 a.m. until 12 noon, on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 322–342; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 15–16; and H. Res. 48, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

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

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Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Richmond, wherein he resigned as Representative for the Second Congressional District of Louisiana, effective today, January 15, 2021.

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Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Louisiana, Mr. Richmond, the whole number of the House is 432.

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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 11:03 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Lloyd J. Austin III, to be Secretary of Defense, 3 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Antony J. Blinken, of New York, to be Secretary of State, 2 p.m., SR–301/VTC.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Alejandro N. Mayorkas, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–342/WEBEX.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Avril Haines, to be Director of National Intelligence; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in SH–219, 10 a.m., SD–215/WEBEX.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Tuesday, January 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 p.m., Tuesday, January 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 1 p.m.

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