The House met at 10:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. TRONE).

**DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE**

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

WASHINGTON, DC, March 12, 2021.
I hereby appoint the Honorable DAVID J. TRONE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**PRAYER**

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

Almighty God, humbly I beseech You to receive each and every prayer I offer as one grounded in love for You and Your truth. In submitting myself to Your will to serve in these hallowed Halls, may the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable to You.

Search my heart and forgive my hidden faults. Convict me for any malice or offense that I may inadvertently inflict on those whom You have called me to serve.

Instead, allow my prayers to reflect a deep yearning for the welfare and wisdom of all for whom I am privileged to serve alongside. Intercede in the fallibility of my speech, through the power of Your spirit that what is given in love may be received with grace. And when my words are misconstrued, may Your spirit bring clarity. And should truth cause hurt, may Your spirit be the mediator of our reconciliation in accordance with Your will.

O Lord, our rock and our Redeemer, may this prayer reflect the desires of all those who pray with me. And we offer this prayer to You in the strength of Your name.

Amen.

**THE JOURNAL**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. MOONEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MOONEY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE**

The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

WASHINGTON, DC, March 11, 2021.
Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on March 11, 2021, at 3:27 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 320.
That the Senate passed S. 415.
Appointments:
Commission on the Naming of Items of the Department of Defense that Commemorate the Confederate States of America or Any Person Who Served Voluntarily with the Confederate States of America

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,
GLORIA J. LETT,
Deputy Clerk.

**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE**

The Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), and the order of the House on January 4, 2021, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee:

Mr. TRONE, Maryland
Mrs. BEATTY, Ohio
Mr. POCAN, Wisconsin
Mr. PETERS, California
Ms. DAVIDS, Kansas
Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois
Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Washington
Mr. ESTES, Kansas

This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, notwithstanding the requirement of clause 11(a)(1) of rule X, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence shall be composed of not more than 23 Members, Delegates, or the Resident Commissioner; and the Chair announces the Speaker’s appointment, pursuant to clause 11 of rule X, clause 11 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, and notwithstanding the requirement of clause 11(a)(4)(A) of rule X, of the following Members of the House to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:

Mr. Himes, Connecticut
Mr. Carson, Indiana
Ms. Speier, California
Mr. Quigley, Illinois
Mr. Swalwell, California
Mr. Castro, Texas
Mr. Welch, Vermont
Mr. Sean Patrick Maloney, New York

Mrs. Demings, Florida
Mr. Krishnamoorthi, Illinois
Mr. Cooper, Tennessee
Mr. Crow, Colorado
Mr. Turner, Ohio
Mr. Wenstrup, Ohio
Mr. Stewart, Utah
Mr. Crawford, Arkansas
Ms. Stefanik, New York
Mr. Mullin, Oklahoma
Mr. Kelly, Mississippi
Mr. LaHood, Illinois
Mr. Fitzpatrick, Pennsylvania

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(B) of House Resolution 8, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 10 o’clock and 40 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the fourth quarter of 2020, pursuant to Public Law 95–384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2020

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REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2020

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-581. A letter from the OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Property Loss Reporting in the Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (DFARS Case 2020-D005) (Docket: DARS-2020-0025) (RIN: 0750-AK91) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-582. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s final rule — TRICARE Coverage of National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease Coronavirus Disease 2019 Clinical Trials (Docket: ID: DOD-2020-HA-0050) (RIN: 0720-AD83) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-583. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s interim final rule — TRICARE: Referring of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy by Doctors of Podiatric Medicine Acting Within the Scope of their Practice (Docket: DOD-2018-HA-0112) (RIN: 0720-AD90) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-584. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s final rule — TRICARE: Referring of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy by Doctors of Podiatric Medicine Acting Within the Scope of their Practice (Docket: DOD-2018-HA-0112) (RIN: 0720-AD90) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-585. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s interim final rule — TRICARE: Referring of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy by Doctors of Podiatric Medicine Acting Within the Scope of their Practice (Docket: DOD-2018-HA-0112) (RIN: 0720-AD90) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-586. A letter from the OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s interim final rule — TRICARE: Referring of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy by Doctors of Podiatric Medicine Acting Within the Scope of their Practice (Docket: DOD-2018-HA-0112) (RIN: 0720-AD90) received February 25, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-587. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final evaluation of vendor submittal — “BWR Vessel and Internals Project, Plan for Extension of the BWR Integrated Surveillance System (ISP) Through the Second License Renewal (SLR), (BWRVIP-321)” received February 23, 2021, 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.

EC-588. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final evaluation of industry proposal — Amendment of the Commission’s Rules Governing Standards for Hearing Aid-Compatible Hearing Instruments — “Technical and Regulatory Compliance Program (TCP) for Hearing Aid-Compliant Hearing Instruments” received February 23, 2021, 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.


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EC-591. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Updated Aging Management Criteria for Mechanical Portions of Subsequent License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance [SLR-ISO-2021-03-STRUCTURES] received February 26, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 668); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-592. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Updated Aging Management Criteria for Structures Portions of Subsequent License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance [SLR-ISO-2021-03-STRUCTURES] received February 26, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 668); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-593. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Updated Aging Management Criteria for Electical Portions of Subsequent License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance [SLR-ISO-2021-04-ELECTRICAL] received February 26, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 668); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-594. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission’s final rule — Updated Aging Management Criteria for Mechanical Portions of Subsequent License Renewal Interim Staff Guidance [SLR-ISO-2021-03-STRUCTURES] received February 26, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 668); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.


EC-596. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Amendment to the Interim Staff Guidance Due to Landscape and Weather Defects in Digital Safety Systems (NUREG-0800, Chapter 7) received March 8, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 668); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
By Mr. REED (for himself and Ms. SENEWELL):
H.R. 1870. A bill to amend the Federal Energy and Commerce Act to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to promulgate rules to ensure that the Commission does not impose a retroactive rate increase on an electric utility.

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By Mr. RUIZ:
H.R. 1883. A bill to amend the Consumer Protection Act of 1966 to require the Federal Trade Commission to promulgate rules to ensure that the Commission does not impose a retroactive rate increase on an electric utility.

H.R. 1884. A bill to amend the Consumer Protection Act of 1966 to require the Federal Trade Commission to promulgate rules to ensure that the Commission does not impose a retroactive rate increase on an electric utility.

By Ms. STEFANIK (for herself, Mr. BARR, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. BACON, Mr. HILL, Mr. WOAMACK, Mr. BARRAGÁN, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. MILLER-MEeks, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. BARR, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. VALADAR, Ms. HERRERA BRUTLER, Mr. DING, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. DIAZ-BALART):
H.R. 1885. A bill to amend the Transportation Security Administration Act of 2002 to require the Transportation Security Administration to carry out certain programs relating to environmental justice, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SCHAKOWSKY:
H.R. 1886. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to require Exchanges to establish network adequacy standards for qualified health plans and amend the Public Health Service Act to provide protections for consumers against excessive, unjustified, or unfairly discriminatory increases in premium rates; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SCHRADER (for himself, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):
H.R. 1891. A bill to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. STEFANIK (for herself, Mr. McCaul, Mr. Wittman, Mr. Johnson of Ohio, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. Graves of Louisiana, Mr. Custin, Mr. Newhouse, Mr. Smucker, Mr. Cartier of Georgia, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Kelly of Pennsylvania, Mr. Burgess, Mrs. Steel, Mr. Fierce, Mr. Mulder, Mr. Smith of Nebraska, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Fortenberry, Mr. Waltz, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. Meuser, Mrs. Walorski, Mr. Conyers, Miss Gonzalez-Colón, Mr. Bost, Mr. Garbarino, Mr. Joyce of Ohio, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Frentzra, Mr. Rieschenthaler, Mrs. Eshoo, Mr. Drost, Mrs. Hinson, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Hill, Mr. Womack, Mr. McHenry, Mrs. Miller-Meeks, Mr. Balderston, Mr. Williams of Texas, Mr. C. Scott Franklin of Florida, Mr. Barr, Mrs. Fischbach, Mr. Valada, Ms. Herrera Brutler, Mr. Ding, Mrs. Wagner, Mr. LaHood, and Mr. Díaz-Balart):
H.R. 1892. A bill to reauthorize Department of Justice programs that combat violence against women, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. WATSON COLEMAN (for herself, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. THOMPSON of Florida, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. KELLY of Louisiana, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Texas, Mr. C. Scott Franklin of Florida, Mr. BARR, Mr. FISCHBACH, Mr. VALADAR, Ms. HERRERA BRUTLER, Mr. DING, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. DIAZ-BALART):
H.R. 1893. A bill to direct the Transportation Security Administration to develop a transportation security preparedness plan in the event of a communicable disease outbreak, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself and Ms. JOHNSON of Texas):
H. Res. 230. A resolution supporting the designation of the month of March 2021 as “Eddie Bernice Johnson Black Women in Science and Technology Month”; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (for herself, Ms. Scanlon, Mrs. C Available for download, including images, and more. Please let me know if you need assistance with any other questions.
By Mr. Ruiz:

H.R. 1890.

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

Article I, section 8, Clauses 3 and 18 of the United States Constitution, to provide for the general welfare and make all laws necessary and proper to carry out the powers of Congress.

By Mrs. Watson Coleman:

H.R. 1891.

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

Article I, section 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 this Constitution in the Government of the United States.

By Ms. Schakowsky:

H.R. 1892.

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

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mrs. Watson Coleman:

H.R. 1893.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1 and 18.

The Congress shall have Power . . . To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

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.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 6: Miss Rice of New York, Ms. Watters, Mr. Pocan, Mr. Cartwright, Ms. Blunt Rochester, Mr. Bourdeaux, Mr. Ruppersberger, and Mr. Moulton.

H.R. 55: Mr. Donalds.

H.R. 279: Ms. Blunt Rochester and Mr. Levin of California.

H.R. 365: Ms. Dean, Mr. Schrader, and Mr. Casten.

H.R. 535: Mr. Foster.

H.R. 566: Mrs. Kim of California.

H.R. 622: Mr. Harder of California.

H.R. 667: Mr. Thompson of California.

H.R. 682: Mr. C. Scott Franklin of Florida.

H.R. 798: Mr. Khanna and Ms. Strickland.

H.R. 1355: Ms. Tittus.

H.R. 1132: Mr. Steube.

H.R. 1230: Mr. Rutherford.

H.R. 1284: Mr. Timmons.

H.R. 1361: Mr. Rutherford.

H.R. 1379: Ms. Schakowsky and Mr. Khanna.

H.R. 1393: Ms. Pingree, Ms. Blunt Rochester, Mr. Welch, Mr. Pocan, Ms. Omar, and Mr. Sires.

H.R. 1480: Ms. Craig, Mr. Lawson of Florida, and Mr. Lamb.

H.R. 1527: Mr. C. Scott Franklin of Florida.

H.R. 1611: Mr. Galloway.

H.R. 1631: Mr. Thompson of California and Ms. Williams of Georgia.

H.R. 1670: Mr. Evans, Mr. Jeffries, and Ms. Waters.

H.R. 1680: Mrs. Loebs.

H.R. 1693: Ms. Mace.

H.R. 1696: Mr. Fisch and Mr. Burgess.

H.R. 1729: Mr. McKinley.

H.R. 1738: Ms. Jayapal and Mr. Johnson of Georgia.

H.R. 1769: Mr. Suozzi, Mr. Gabbardino, and Mrs. Carolyn B. Maloney of New York.

H.R. 1792: Mr. Carrajal.

H.R. 1798: Mr. Phillips, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Ms. Newman, Ms. Tenney, Ms. Craig, Mr. McKinley, Mr. Chabot, Mr. Walberg, Mr. Budd, Mr. Musher, Mr. Murphy of North Carolina, Mr. Walitz, and Mr. Evans.

H.R. 1814: Mr. Larson of Connecticut, Mrs. Alcee, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Ms. Scanlon, Mr. Raskin, and Mr. Carsons.

H.R. 1815: Mr. Cohen, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Pocan, and Mr. Bishop of Georgia.

H.R. 1827: Mr. C. Scott Franklin of Florida.

H.J. Res. 3: Mr. Turner.

H.J. Res. 29: Mrs. Watson Coleman, Mr. Welch, Mr. Espaillat, Ms. Norton, and Mr. Danny K. Davis of Illinois.

R. Res. 104: Mr. Levin of Michigan.

CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIMITED TAX BENEFITS, OR LIMITED TARIFF BENEFITS

Under clause 9 of rule XXI, lists or statements on congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits were submitted as follows:

OFFERED BY MR. NADLER

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on the Judiciary in H.R. 6 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. NADLER

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on the Judiciary in H.R. 1603 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. NADLER

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on the Judiciary in H.R. 1620 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.

OFFERED BY MR. NADLER

The provisions that warranted a referral to the Committee on the Judiciary in H.R. 1627 do not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9 of rule XXI.
Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased that the Senate has passed and the House is now expected to re-pass the “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” (H.R. 1319), for President Biden to sign into law.

This critical legislation provides federal relief totaling more than $2 trillion in state governments and more than $140 billion to county and municipal governments. State and local governments will use this federal relief to continue providing essential services to the American public. With this soon-to-be law, Congress has answered President Biden’s call to defeat the COVID–19 pandemic, rebuild our economy, and help Americans return to normal life once we have widespread vaccination.

While this soon-to-be law does not include my “Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act” (H.R. 535), I hope that states will use the flexibility provided under the “American Rescue Plan Act” to pass through some federal relief to the 2,700 special districts in California and 30,000 special districts nationwide providing essential public services cities and counties do not provide to residents. Those services include first responders, police, firefighting, public health, and more, making special districts indeed critical to the communities they serve. Special districts must now make their case directly to each state’s Governor.

I want to thank my colleagues who cosponsored H.R. 535 and U.S. Senator KYRSTEN SINEMA (D–AZ) for sponsoring the companion legislation.

I plan to continue working to ensure that special districts can access the Federal Reserve’s Municipal Liquidity Facility in the future, as called for in my “Special Districts Provide Essential Services Act.” Like states, counties, and cities, many special districts serve large populations and have the legal authority to issue short-term tax and revenue anticipation notes. However, special districts are not currently guaranteed access to the Municipal Liquidity Facility, even to offset revenue shortfalls caused by this ongoing pandemic or similar emergencies.

Congress must ensure that local governments including special districts have the federal support needed to deliver crucial quality-of-life services to communities during this global pandemic and future national emergencies.

Mr. Speaker, I am so privileged to join the Congressional Black Caucus in its First Annual John Lewis Special Order Hour. Please join me in commemorating his leadership and bravery on the Edmund Pettus Bridge fifty-six years ago. May he Rest in Power, a well-earned peace, and may his memory be a blessing to all of us who loved him.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN WILLIAMS’ 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, March 12, 2021

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Williams of Allen Park on the occasion of his 100th Birthday. His contributions to our community and to our nation are worthy of commendation.

Mr. Williams was born in Emporia, Kansas and moved to Detroit, Michigan as the eldest of nine children when he was only three years old. Growing up in Detroit, he was an active athlete, playing both baseball and football. He proudly cast his very first vote on election day for President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

As a young man, he volunteered to serve his country in the United States Navy, stationed in the Pacific, he survived the attacks on Pearl Harbor on that infamous day, December 7, 1941. After the death of his first wife while she was pregnant with their third child in California, Mr. Williams returned to Detroit with his two children. It was here where he later met his late wife Ola. Mr. Williams worked for Great Lakes Steel in Ecorse, Michigan for nearly 35 years.

A man of faith, Mr. Williams has served as a deacon at Whittier Memorial Church of God in Christ in Detroit for over 63 years. These days, he continues to attend bible study and still makes time to attend church services. Friends and family know him as someone with a big smile, a love of people, and most importantly, someone who always has time to impart his wisdom or share a joke.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring John Williams on his 100th Birthday. He has honorably served this country through his service in the United States Navy during World War II. I join with Mr. Williams’ family, including his two granddaughters, four great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, and friends in extending my best wishes to him on his birthday, in celebration of another exemplary year of life.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS SPECIAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO FINE NOTIFICATIONS AND APPEALS

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH
OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, March 12, 2021

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to section 1(e) of House Resolution 73, 117th Congress, and clause 3(g)(4) of House Rule II, I hereby submit the following special policies and procedures adopted by the Committee on Ethics on March 9, 2021, for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Special Policies and Procedures Relating to Fine Notifications and Appeals

(Adopted by the Committee on Ethics—March 9, 2021)

1. Upon receipt of a fine notification under House Rule II or H. Res. 73, the Committee will send a letter to the Sergeant at Arms, U.S. Capitol Police, and the Chief Administrative Officer requesting that they preserve all records of any reviews, determinations, or decisions regarding the alleged violations(s) and any additional information, including

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video recordings of the alleged violation(s). Also, the Committee will send a letter to the Member notifying them of their right to appeal, the deadline by which to file an appeal, the Committee’s special policies and procedures, and noting that an appeal to the Committee shall include a response to the findings made by the Sergeant at Arms, and may include the basis for the appeal, a description of the occurrence precipitating the fine, any exculpatory information, any request for a response from the Sergeant at Arms, and any additional information that the appellant believes will assist the Committee in considering the appeal. In addition, for receipt of any fine notification under H. Res. 73, the Committee shall notify the Member of the Committee’s obligation to publish the fine notification.

2. For a fine notification received under H. Res. 73, the Chair and Ranking Member will make the notification public within two business days of receipt. The Committee will provide the subject of the fine with notice of publication one business day prior to release.

3. The Chair and Ranking Member may make redactions to the public fine notification received under H. Res. 73 as they deem necessary to protect certain personally identifiable information or other sensitive details.

4. In appealing a fine to the Committee, the appellant may be represented by counsel at their own expense.

5. Upon receipt of an appeal of a fine, the Committee will send a letter confirming its receipt of the appeal and notifying the appellant that it will consider the appeal within 30 calendar days. Also, upon receipt of an appeal, the Committee will send a letter to the Sergeant at Arms, U.S. Capitol Police, and Chief Administrative Officer requesting that they provide the Committee with a copy of all records of any reviews, determinations, or decisions regarding the alleged violation(s) and any additional information, including video recordings of the alleged violation(s).

6. If the written appeal does not provide sufficient information to fully assess an appeal, the Chair and Ranking Member may jointly authorize staff to request additional information from the appellant.

7. If an appellant asserts there are factual errors with the findings and any supporting documentation, the Chair and Ranking Member will request a response from the Sergeant at Arms and the U.S. Capitol Police. The Chair and Ranking Member may also jointly seek additional information from other sources.

8. The Chair or Ranking Member, consistent with Committee Rule 5(b), may place consideration of an appeal on the agenda at any time. If no meeting of the Committee is scheduled to occur within 30 days of receipt of an appeal, the Chair will make reasonable efforts to convene a meeting during that time period.

9. Members of the Committee will provide any information needed for consideration of the appeal not later than three days prior to any meeting in which the appeal will be considered, whenever possible.

10. The Committee may agree to an appeal if it determines the fine is (a) arbitrary and capricious, an abuse of discretion, or otherwise not consistent with law or with principles of fairness; (b) not made consistent with required procedures; or (c) unsupported by substantial evidence.

11. The Chair and Ranking Member will notify the Speaker, the Sergeant at Arms, Chief Administrative Officer, and the public of the determination regarding a fine appeal (or that no appeal has been filed) two business days after such determination (or the expiration of the appeal period), and will also publish the written appeal if the appellant so chooses. The Committee will provide the subject of the fine with notice of publication one business day prior to release.
Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action
The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 3 p.m., on Monday, March 15, 2021.

Committee Meetings
No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action
Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 1868–1893; 1 private bill, H.R. 1894; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 230–231, were introduced.

Additional Cosponsors: Page H1365

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

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

Joint Economic Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representatives Trone, Beatty, Paean, Peters, Davids (KS), LaHood, Herrera Beutler, and Estes.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence—Appointment: The Chair announced, notwithstanding the requirement of clause 11 (a)(1) of rule 10, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence shall be composed of not more than 23 Members, Delegates, or the Resident Commissioner, the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Representatives Himes, Carson, Speier, Quigley, Swalwell, Castro (TX), Welch, Sean Patrick Maloney (NY), Demings, Krishnamoorthi, Cooper, Crow, Turner, Wenstrup, Stewart, Crawford, Stefanik, Mullin, Kelly (MS), LaHood, and Fitzpatrick.

Senate Referrals: S. 320 was held at the desk. S. 415 was held at the desk.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1361.

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 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Committee Meetings
VA SPECIALTY HEALTHCARE: OVERSIGHT OF WOMEN’S HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION, WHOLE HEALTH, AND HOMELESSNESS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “VA Specialty Healthcare: Oversight of Women’s Health, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, Whole Health, and Homelessness”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Veterans Affairs officials: David Carroll, Executive Director, Mental Health Operations, Veterans Health Administration; Laura Duke, Chief Financial Officer, Veterans Health Administration; Patricia M Hayes, Chief Consultant, Women’s Health Services, Veterans Health Administration; and Kameron Matthews, Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Clinical Services, Veterans Health Administration.
FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cyber, Innovative Technologies, and Information Systems; and Subcommittee on National Security of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform held a joint hearing entitled “Final Recommendations of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence”. Testimony was heard from the following National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence officials: Eric Schmidt, Chairman; Robert Work, Vice Chairman; Mignon Clyburn, Commissioner; and Gilman Louie, Commissioner.

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS ON HAITI FOR THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Policy Recommendations on Haiti for the Biden Administration”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COMMITTEE FUNDING FOR THE 117TH CONGRESS

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Committee Funding for the 117th Congress”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dean and Jordan.

REVIVING COMPETITION, PART 2: SAVING THE FREE AND DIVERSE PRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law held a hearing entitled “Reviving Competition, Part 2: Saving the Free and Diverse Press”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE SCIENCE BEHIND IMPACTS OF THE CLIMATE CRISIS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Science Behind Impacts of the Climate Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on the policy and legal rationale of U.S. airstrikes in Syria, 6 p.m., SVC–217.

House

No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
3 p.m., Monday, March 15

Senate Chamber
Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Debra Anne Haaland, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of the Interior, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon on at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Tuesday, March 16

House Chamber
Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

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