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## House of Representatives

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

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
April 3, 2025.

I hereby appoint the Honorable RUDY YAKYM III to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

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

Faithful God, we trust in Your steadfast love. Though there are times we fear You have turned Your back on us and You have left us to our own devices, nevertheless we trust in Your steadfast love.

Though our bodies are burdened with the weight of our troubles, our stomachs in knots worrying for a future we cannot imagine, we trust in Your steadfast love.

When our adversaries' arrogance becomes a stumbling block to both our faith and our self-confidence, when their efforts, fueled with contempt and malice undermine our best intentions, we trust in Your steadfast love.

We trust, for You have always been our source of strength, our hope for salvation. We trust, for You are working Your purposes out, even in the throes of our turmoil. We trust, for You are the same yesterday, today, and always, and Your steadfast love will abide with us forever.

In the power to be found in Your eternal name, we pray.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

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

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, April 3, 2025.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. 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 April 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S.J. Res. 37.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Clerk.*

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 13 of rule I, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday next for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, April 7, 2025, at noon for morning-hour debate.

### OATH FOR ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

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

Jimmy Patronis.

Randy Fine.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-663. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Connecticut; Approval of State Implementation Plan Requirements for the 2008 Ozone Standard [EPA-R01-OAR-2024-0051; FRL-12403-02-R1] received April 1, 2025, 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-664. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Source-Specific Air Quality Implementation Plan; New York; Lehigh Cement Company LLC [EPA-R02-OAR-2023-0242; FRL-12441-02-R2] received April 1, 2025, 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-665. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's interim final determination — Interim Final Determination to Defer Sanctions, Placer County Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2024-0620; FRL-12530-02-R9] received April 1, 2025, 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-666. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear

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

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