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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. UPTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 14, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRED UPTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend William Gurnee, John Paul II Seminary, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

All powerful Lord, as our Nation struggles through the difficulty of winter, we realize that there are forces greater than ourselves. In all things, we are more successful when we humble ourselves before You and each other.

Bless those who have been adversely affected by ice, snow, and cold. May the kindness of strangers and goodness of all Americans quickly restore our Nation to wholeness and holiness.

Bless the Members of this Chamber. May those who serve in this body continue to do so with honor, patience, and genuine care for all Members. Give them wisdom, give them joy in their office, and give them the lasting memory that they have served their country well.

We ask all this in Your Holy Name.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 475, 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, February 12, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House,
Washington, DC.

SPEAKER BOEHNER: Nearly twenty four years ago, the people of New Jersey's First Congressional District afforded me the opportunity, responsibility and honor of serving as their Representative in the United States House of Representatives. I am profoundly thankful and forever humbled by the trust they have placed in me.

I am writing to inform you that, effective February 18, 2014, I will be resigning as a Member of the United States Congress.

The House has always been a place of high energy and healthy division, and it remains so today. But we have always shared the common belief that it is the spirit of the American people and Constitution we live by that makes our country great.

I am proud to have served with members of both parties, Democratic and Republican, liberal and conservative in what has been one of the greatest honors of my lifetime.

Sincerely,

ROBERT E. ANDREWS,
Member of Congress.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following commu-

nication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 12, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 4(d) of House Resolution 5, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, and section 1(k)(2) of House Resolution 895, One Hundred Tenth Congress, I transmit to you notification that Bryson Morgan has signed an agreement not to be a candidate for the office of Senator or Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress for the purpose of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 until at least three years after he is no longer a member of the board or staff of the Office of Congressional Ethics.

A copy of the signed agreement shall be retained by the Office of the Clerk as part of the records of the House.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk of the House.

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, February 12, 2014.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
The 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 February 12, 2014 at 4:03 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to House amendment to the text of the bill S. 540

That the Senate agreed to House amendment to the text of the bill S. 25

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

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

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