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The Senate met at 8:45 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable TINA SMITH, a Senator from the State of Minnesota.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mrs. Murray).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 12, 2024.
To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule 1, paragraph 3, of the standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable TINA SMITH, a Senator from the State of Minnesota, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY, President pro tempore.

Ms. SMITH thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024, AT 3 PM

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8:45 and 29 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 3 p.m.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

