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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 24, 2022.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JENNIFER WEXTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Rev. Gary Studniewski, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, from this, the people's House, we give You thanks for the many blessings that You have bestowed throughout our Nation's history. You have raised up generations of citizens who have enjoyed the freedoms upon which this country was established, the first of which is the freedom to worship You and to beseech Your favor upon our Union.

Lord, we ask You now to bless the Members of this House of Representatives and all who support its proceedings. Give them the wisdom to make decisions that would strengthen and prosper our Nation, make laws that are just, and serve with integrity and selflessness.

We continue to rely on Your good favors, dear Lord, as we pledge our devotion and our service.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, 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, May 24, 2022.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I hereby submit my resignation, effective May 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, as United States Representative of the 19th District of the State of New York.

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter I have submitted to New York State Secretary of State Robert J. Rodriguez.

Sincerely,

ANTONIO DELGADO.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 24, 2022.

Hon. ROBERT J. RODRIGUEZ,  
*Secretary of New York State,*  
Albany, NY.

DEAR SECRETARY RODRIGUEZ: I hereby submit my resignation, effective May 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, as United States Representative of the 19th District of the State of New York.

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter I have submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

ANTONIO DELGADO.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, May 27, 2022.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, May 27, 2022, at 9 a.m.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 6827. A bill to authorize appropriations to accelerate the procurement and deployment of computer tomography equipment to enhance detection capabilities for carry-on baggage, and for other purposes (Rept. 117-337). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 6826. A bill to require a pilot program on the participation of third-party logistics providers in the Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, and for other purposes (Rept. 117-338). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. DEUTCH: Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Madison Cawthorn (Rept. 117-339). Referred to the House Calendar.

### 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. CARTER of Louisiana:

H.R. 7863. A bill to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance with respect to natural disaster resilience, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. DELAURO:

H.R. 7864. A bill to authorize assistance to train and retain obstetrician-gynecologists

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

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and sub-specialists in urogynecology and to help improve the quality of care to meet the health care needs of women in least developed countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GARAMENDI (for himself and Mr. LAMALFA):

H.R. 7865. A bill to increase the availability of flood insurance for agricultural structures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H.R. 7866. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, and the Small Business Act to direct the Department of Transportation and the Small Business Administration to strengthen and advance certain disadvantaged businesses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business, 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. GOMEZ (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, and Mr. RASKIN):

H.R. 7867. A bill to eliminate employment-based visa caps on abused, abandoned, and neglected children eligible for humanitarian status, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KUSTOFF (for himself and Mr. HILL):

H.R. 7868. A bill to modernize the formulas for allocation of Community Development Block Grant Program grants for entitlement communities to more effectively target such amounts for community development needs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 7869. A bill to authorize assistance to aid in the prevention and treatment of obstetric fistula in foreign countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. MCCAUL (for himself, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. STEIL, and Ms. ROSS):

H.R. 7870. A bill to include certain computer-related projects in the Federal permitting program under title XLI of the FAST Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. McEACHIN (for himself, Mr. CASTEN, and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 7871. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal fossil fuel subsidies for oil companies, to establish gas price rebates to individuals for 2022, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MORELLE (for himself and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 7872. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the standard charitable mileage rate for delivery of meals to elderly, disabled, frail, and at-risk individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 7873. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 400 Southern Avenue Southeast in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "District of Columbia Servicemembers and Veterans Post Office"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. PHILLIPS (for himself and Mr. GREEN of Texas):

H.R. 7874. A bill to amend the State Small Business Credit Initiative Act of 2010 to mod-

ify allocations under the State Small Business Credit Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SHERMAN (for himself, Mr. BACON, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Ms. MANING, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. COHEN, and Mrs. DEMINGS):

H.R. 7875. A bill to provide for the expedited and duty-free importation of infant formula that may be lawfully marketed in the European Union, Canada, Japan, or the United Kingdom, and for other purposes; 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. SMITH of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. O'HALLERAN, and Mr. ARMSTRONG):

H.R. 7876. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect access to telehealth services under the Medicare program; 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 Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (for herself, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. ALLRED, and Mr. BURGESS):

H.R. 7877. A bill to reauthorize the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. WENSTRUP (for himself, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER):

H.R. 7878. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand the ability of renal dialysis facilities to serve as originating sites for telehealth services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Ms. BASS (for herself, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. EVANS):

H. Res. 1137. A resolution expressing concern for the drought and endemic food insecurity plaguing the Horn of Africa and calling for greater humanitarian and agricultural assistance to the region; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself, Ms. MENG, Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. CHU, Mr. NADLER, Ms. TITUS, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. JACOBS of California, and Ms. ADAMS):

H. Res. 1138. A resolution expressing support for the designation of September 2022 as "National Leading Entertainment and Arts through Diversity Month" or "National LEAD Month", and empowering underrepresented communities to take the lead within the entertainment industry; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama (for himself and Mr. LEVIN of California):

H. Res. 1139. A resolution commemorating the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the VetFran program at the International Franchise Association and IFA Foundation; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Ms. NORTON:

H. Res. 1140. A resolution recognizing on Memorial Day, May 30, 2022, the denial of full participation in their Government through statehood by active duty servicemembers, National Guard members, reservists, veterans, and their families who are residents of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. TRONE (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. TONKO, Ms. ADAMS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. MACE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. SEWELL, Ms. MENG, Ms. CHU, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. MOULTON):

H. Res. 1141. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of May 23 through 27, 2022, as "Educator Mental Health Awareness Week"; 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. CARTER of Louisiana:

H.R. 7863.

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

This bill is introduced pursuant to the powers granted to Congress under the General Welfare Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 1), the Commerce Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 3), and the Necessary and Proper Clause (Art. 1 Sec. 8 Cl. 18).

Further, this statement of constitutional authority is made for the sole purpose of compliance with clause 7 of Rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and shall have no bearing on judicial review of the accompanying bill.

By Ms. DELAURA:

H.R. 7864

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

Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Mr. GARAMENDI:

H.R. 7865

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois:

H.R. 7866

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

Section 8 of Article 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. GOMEZ:

H.R. 7867.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. KUSTOFF:

H.R. 7868.