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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 24, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS 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:

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good, all the time. All the time, God is good, and God's love endures forever. In all that we encounter this day, O God of gods, may we give thanks for Your goodness. May we remember that Your love endures forever.

We give thanks to You, O Lord of lords, for You alone do great wonders. You, who made the heavens and spread the Earth upon the waters, who set the Sun in the sky to govern the day, and the Moon and the stars to govern the night. Your love endures forever.

We give thanks to You, Loving God, for You have gathered families and friends around tables to enjoy life's pleasures. You have given us cherished colleagues to share in the labor of our days, neighbors to help bear the burden of our daily responsibilities. Your love endures forever.

We give thanks to You, most gracious God, for the many blessings You have bestowed on us, and the trust You have shown in us to steward these gifts faithfully. You have instilled in us a sense of purpose, a moral foundation, a

yearning for virtue. You have taught us compassion, shown us mercy, enfolded us in Your grace. Your love endures forever.

We give thanks for Your goodness, O God, this day and every day. We rejoice and remember that Your steadfast love is ours forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-2397. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, De-

partment of State, transmitting a report titled, "Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolutions by Other Governments", pursuant to Public Law 115-44, Sec. 317(a); (131 Stat. 950); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2398. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report titled, "U.S. Compliance with the Authorization for Use of Military Force in Iraq", pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1541 note; Public Law 107-243, Sec. 4(a); (116 Stat. 1501); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2399. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to global illicit drug trafficking that was declared in Executive Order 14059 of December 15, 2021, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2400. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to serious human rights abuse and corruption that was declared in Executive Order 13818 of December 20, 2017, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2401. A letter from the President, transmitting a letter informing congress of action taken consistent with the War Powers Resolution, Pub. Law 93-148, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543(c); Public Law 93-148, Sec. 4(c); (87 Stat. 555) (H. Doc. No. 118-85); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-2402. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report titled, "Cuban Compliance with the Migration Accords", pursuant to Public Law 105-277, Sec. 2245; (112 Stat. 2681-824); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-2403. A letter from the General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting the Board's Inspector General Semi-annual Report to Congress for the period April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023, pursuant to section 405(c) of the Inspector General Act; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

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

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EC-2404. A letter from the Director, National Science Foundation, transmitting the Foundation's Agency Financial Report for FY 2023, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2405. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's Agency Financial Report for FY 2023, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3515(a)(1); Public Law 101-576, Sec. 303(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 107-289, Sec. 2(a)); (116 Stat. 2049); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2406. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a waiver of the 15-day congressional notification period, pursuant to Public Law 111-8, div. H, title VII, 7015(e); (123 Stat. 865); jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Appropriations.

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:

Ms. FOXX: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 5933. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require additional information in disclosures of foreign gifts and contracts from foreign sources, restrict contracts with certain foreign entities and foreign countries of concern, require certain staff and faculty to report foreign gifts and contracts, and require disclosure of certain foreign investments within endowments; with an amendment (Rept. 118-278).

Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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. MOYLAN:

H.R. 6478. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide certain assistance for Guam or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, and the Judiciary, 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. STEUBE:

H.R. 6479. A bill to limit the availability of a plea deal for any person responsible for the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VASQUEZ (for himself, Ms. SALINAS, Ms. CRAIG, and Mr. VARGAS):

H.R. 6480. A bill to provide for conditional lawful permanent residency for certain aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to

enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. MOYLAN:

H.R. 6478.

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

Pursuant to Article one of the United States Constitution Congress has the power to enact this legislation.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To provide FEMA with certain authorities

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 6479.

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

Article 1, Section 8

The single subject of this legislation is:

To limit the availability of a plea deal for any person responsible for the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

By Mr. VASQUEZ:

H.R. 6480.

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

Article 1, section 8, Clauses 1 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 the Congress.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Immigration Reform

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 1680: Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 3183: Mr. DELUZIO and Mr. RUIZ.

H.R. 4681: Mr. MILLS and Mr. CROW.

H.R. 4960: Mrs. RAMIREZ.