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House of Representatives

The House met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SMITH of Nebraska).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 26, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ADRIAN SMITH 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:

Holy and sovereign God, on this day when war rages around the world, when college campuses reflect the depth of both the pain and the hatred that fuels these battles, we appeal to You as we seem to have exhausted our own answers.

You alone have the power to erase war and bloodshed from the world. In its place, You have promised a great and glorious peace where nation shall not lift up sword against nation. Neither shall they learn war anymore. We claim these promises.

May all voices pray with those who celebrate the Passover this week, saying: "Blessed are You, O Lord, who provides for all. God, the God of our ancestors, may You remember Your people, to bless us with kindness and mercy, for a life of peace and happiness."

We pray that the One who establishes peace in Heaven grant us peace, and clear the pathway to peace in the Middle East and among all humanity.

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.

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 23, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
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 April 23, 2024, at 2:03 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 3687.

That the Senate passed S. 3998.

Appointment:

United States Semiquincentennial Commission.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk.

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 23, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
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 April 23, 2024, at 9:45 p.m.

That the Senate agrees to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 815.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk.

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 25, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,
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 April 25, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.

That the Senate passed S. 2143.

That the Senate passed S. 2717.

That the Senate passed S. 2274.

That the Senate passed S. 3267.

That the Senate passed S. 3357.

That the Senate passed S. 3419.

That the Senate passed S. 3639.

That the Senate passed S. 3640.

That the Senate passed S. 3851.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 292.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 996.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2379.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2754.

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

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That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3947.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3865.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3944.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Acting Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Saturday, April 20, 2024:

H.R. 4389, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to make improvements to that Act, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by Speaker pro tempore Kiggans of Virginia on Tuesday, April 23, 2024:

H.R. 815, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

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, April 24, 2024.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Following discussions with my family, I have made the decision to resign my position as a member of the House of Representatives for Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, effective at 5:00 PM EDT on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

I am grateful to the good people of Northeast Wisconsin for the honor of a lifetime. Four terms serving my community has strengthened my conviction that America is the greatest country in the history of the world. I will forever be proud of the work I did on the Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, chairing the Cyberspace Solarium Commission, and chairing the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party. It was truly an honor to serve in the House of Representatives.

Semper Fi,

MIKE GALLAGHER,
Member of Congress.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 24, 2024.

Governor TONY EVERS,
Wisconsin State Capitol,
Madison, WI.

Secretary of State SARAH GODLEWSKI,
Wisconsin State Capitol,
Madison, WI.

DEAR GOVERNOR EVERS AND SECRETARY OF STATE GODLEWSKI: Following discussions with my family, I have made the decision to

resign my position as a member of the House of Representatives for Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, effective at 5:00 PM EDT on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

I am grateful to the good people of Northeast Wisconsin for the honor of a lifetime. Four terms serving my community has strengthened my conviction that America is the greatest country in the history of the world. I will forever be proud of the work I did on the Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, chairing the Cyberspace Solarium Commission, and chairing the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party. It was truly an honor to serve in the House of Representatives.

Semper Fi,

MIKE GALLAGHER,
Member of Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. Gallagher), the whole number of the House is 430.

DESIGNATION OF MR. MOOLENAAR AS CHAIR OF SELECT COM- MITTEE ON THE STRATEGIC COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHI- NESE COMMUNIST PARTY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's designation, pursuant to section 1(a)(2)(A) of House Resolution 11, 118th Congress, as amended by section 1(b) of House Resolution 78, 118th Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following member of the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party as its chair:

Mr. MOOLENAAR, Michigan.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the passing of the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. Payne), the whole number of the House is 429.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly an enrolled bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Saturday, April 20, 2024:

H.R. 4389. An act to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to make improvements to that Act, and for other purposes.

Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk of the House, further reported and found truly an enrolled bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, on Tuesday, April 23, 2024:

H.R. 815. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Kevin F. McCumber, Acting Clerk of the House, reported that on April 20, 2024, the following bill was presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.R. 7888. To reform the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978.

Kevin F. McCumber, Acting Clerk of the House, further reported that on April 24, 2024, the following bills were presented to the President of the United States for approval:

H.R. 815. Making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4389. Migratory Birds of the Americas Conservation Enhancements Act of 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday, April 29, 2024, for morning-hour debate, and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 37 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, April 29, 2024, 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-3909. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Commodity Procurement Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Local Food for Schools Program [USDA-AMS-10185-CPLFS000-22-0001] received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3910. A letter from the President, transmitting notification of a designation of funding as an emergency requirement, pursuant to Public Law 118-50, div. A, title IV, Sec. 406; Public Law 118-50, div. B, title V, Sec. 510; and Public Law 118-50, div. C, title IV, Sec. 405 (H. Doc. No. 118—133); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

EC-3911. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Consumer Furnace Fans [EERE-2020-BT-TP-0041] (RIN: 1904-AE15) received April 17, 2024, 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-3912. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Other Solid Waste Incinerators; Air Curtain Incinerators Title V Permitting Provisions [EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0156; FRL-7547.3-01-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AW14) received April 16, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.