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## House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GRIFFITH).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
July 30, 2024.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MORGAN H. GRIFFITH to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

We appeal to You this day, O Lord, to open our hearts and souls to the answer You provide when we wonder how we, with all our differences, personalities, and opinions will ever succeed in living in harmony with one another.

When You speak, may we listen. Time and again, You have said in countless different ways, "Do not be so proud that you fail to see the humanity of those around you, who do not share the same viewpoint. Do not be so caught up in yourselves that you give the impression that some are not worthy of your consideration."

Pardon us and our arrogance that has kept us from hearing Your counsel. O God, have mercy on us when we think we are better than we are. And humble our spirits to follow You that we would be agents of Your steadfast love.

In light of Your forgiveness, may we renew our efforts to live in peace with one another.

In Your merciful name we pray.  
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, July 30, 2024.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*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 July 30, 2024, at 9:53 a.m.

That the Senate passed S. 3574.

That the Senate passed S. 4610.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Acting Clerk.*

### COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR OF COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the chair of the Committee on the Judiciary:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,  
Washington DC, July 30, 2024.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 4(b) of House Resolution 917, I write to inform you and the House of Representatives that the Committee on the Judiciary has commenced litigation against Merrick Garland, in his official capacity as Attorney General of the United States, to enforce a duly authorized, issued, and served congressional subpoena. The Committee filed the civil action, Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives v. Garland, No. 1:24-cv-01911, in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia on July 1, 2024.

Sincerely,

JIM JORDAN,  
*Chairman.*

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE TASK FORCE ON THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF DONALD J. TRUMP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 1(b)1 of House Resolution 1367, 118th Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Task Force on the Attempted Assassination of Donald J. Trump:

Mr. KELLY, Pennsylvania, Chairman

Mr. JOYCE, Ohio

Mr. HIGGINS, Louisiana

Mr. GREEN, Tennessee

Mr. WALTZ, Florida

Mr. FALLON, Texas

Ms. LEE, Florida

Mr. CROW, Colorado

Mr. CORREA, California

Ms. DEAN, Pennsylvania

Ms. HOULAHAN, Pennsylvania

Mr. IVEY, Maryland

Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Florida

### ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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5, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Friday, August 2, 2024. Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 2, 2024, at 11 a.m.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the second quarter of 2024, pursuant to Public Law 95–384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO CAPE VERDE, TANZANIA, KENYA, AND THE GAMBIA, EXPENDED BETWEEN JUNE 14 AND JUNE 23, 2024											
Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Vern Buchanan .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		372.05		(3)				372.05
Hon. Gwen Moore .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		436.57		(3)				436.57
Hon. Barbara Lee .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		436.57		(3)				436.57
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		350.53		(3)				350.53
Hon. Dan Kildee .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		372.05		(3)				372.05
Hon. Neal Dunn .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		285.99		(3)				285.99
Hon. Jodey Arrington .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		285.99		(3)				285.99
Hon. Drew Ferguson .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		296.74		(3)				296.74
Derek Luyten .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		296.74		(3)				296.74
Leslie Reagan .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		296.74		(3)				296.74
Sean Brady .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		296.74		(3)				296.74
Mitchell Moonier .....	6/14	6/16	Cape Verde .....		296.74		(3)				296.74
Hon. Vern Buchanan .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Gwen Moore .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Barbara Lee .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Dan Kildee .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Neal Dunn .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Jodey Arrington .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Drew Ferguson .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Derek Luyten .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Leslie Reagan .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Sean Brady .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Mitchell Moonier .....	6/16	6/19	Tanzania .....		1,016.43		(3)				1,016.43
Hon. Vern Buchanan .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Gwen Moore .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Barbara Lee .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Dan Kildee .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Neal Dunn .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Jodey Arrington .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Drew Ferguson .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Derek Luyten .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Leslie Reagan .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Sean Brady .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Mitchell Moonier .....	6/19	6/21	Kenya .....		654.00		(3)				654.00
Hon. Vern Buchanan .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Gwen Moore .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Barbara Lee .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Dan Kildee .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Neal Dunn .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Jodey Arrington .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Hon. Drew Ferguson .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Derek Luyten .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Leslie Reagan .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Sean Brady .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Mitchell Moonier .....	6/21	6/23	The Gambia .....		550.00		(3)				550.00
Committee total .....					22,579.44						30,668.61

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.  
<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

HON. VERN BUCHANAN, July 15, 2024.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2024											
Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Bruce Westerman .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Hon. Garrett Graves .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Hon. Ed Case .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Vivian Moeglein .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Madeline Kelley .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Annick Miller .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Sophia Varnasidis .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Aniela Butler .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Lora Snyder .....	5/24	5/26	Germany .....		449.91		113.37		44.13		607.41
Hon. Bruce Westerman .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Hon. Garrett Graves .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Hon. Ed Case .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Vivian Moeglein .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Madeline Kelley .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Annick Miller .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Sophia Varnasidis .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Aniela Butler .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Lora Snyder .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Rebekah Hoshiko .....	5/26	5/29	Rwanda .....		849.00		143.33		400.67		1,393.00
Hon. Bruce Westerman .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Hon. Garrett Graves .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Hon. Ed Case .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Vivian Moeglein .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Madeline Kelley .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Annick Miller .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Sophia Varnasidis .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63
Aniela Butler .....	5/29	6/1	Tanzania .....		1,684.42		3,071.62		366.59		5,123.63