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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
August 20, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable WM. LACY CLAY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Michael Wilker, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God, who stretched the spangled heavens, we Your children, in Your likeness, share inventive powers with You.

Thank You for the delightful and awesome creation of which we are a part. Thank You, also, for the scientists of this Nation, especially those who serve in our government. We are sorry for the times our laziness, ignorance, greed, and fear have caused us to misuse Your gifts of science and technology. Grant us diligence, wisdom, curiosity, and compassion regarding the science and technology issues before us.

Help legislators and staff members craft legislation, appropriate funds, and provide oversight to support and encourage scientific study, advance technological innovation, and deepen our understanding of human societies and bodies.

In all we learn and do, may we care for creation, serve our neighbors, and honor You, great creator.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a) of House Resolution 509, 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 5(b) of House Resolution 509, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 23, 2019.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 23, 2019, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1891. A letter from the Office of Procurement and Property Management, Chief, Environmental Management Division, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Designation of Product Categories for Federal Procurement (RIN: 0599-AA26) received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1892. A letter from the Farm Production and Conservation — BC, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Trade Mitigation Program (RIN: 0560-AI51) received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec.

251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1893. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition and Sustainment, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's 4th quarter FY 2019 Quarterly Briefing on Progress of the Chemical Demilitarization Program, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1521(j); Public Law 99-145, Sec. 1412 (as amended by Public Law 112-239, Sec. 1421(a)); (126 Stat. 204); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1894. A letter from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Office of the Secretary of Defense and Joint Staff Privacy Program [Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0049] (RIN: 0790-AK57) received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1895. A letter from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Acquisition and Use of Criminal History Record Information by the Military Services [Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0055] (RIN: 0790-AK27) received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1896. A letter from the Assistant for Real Estate, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Real Estate Handbook [Docket ID: USA-2019-HQ-0009] (RIN: 0702-AA94) received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1897. A letter from the Assistant for Real Estate, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Real Estate [Docket ID: USA-2019-HQ-0008] (RIN: 0702-AA93) received August 12, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1898. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Recordkeeping for Timely Deposit Insurance Determination (RIN: 3064-AF03) received August 13, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec.

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251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

1899. A letter from the Secretary, Office of Credit Ratings, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendments to Rules for Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations [Release No.: 34-86590; File No.: S7-22-18] (RIN: 3235-AM05) received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

1900. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final priority and requirements — Technical Assistance on State Data Collection Program—National Technical Assistance Center to Improve State Capacity to Collect, Report, Analyze, and Use Accurate IDEA Part B Data [Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number 84.373Y.] [Docket ID: ED-2019-OSERS-0001] received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

1901. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final priority and requirements — Technical Assistance on State Data Collection—National Technical Assistance Center to Improve State Capacity to Collect, Report, Analyze, and Use Accurate Early Childhood IDEA Data [Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number 84.373Z] [Docket ID: ED-2019-OSERS-0075] received August 12, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

1902. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Soy Leghemoglobin [Docket No.: FDA-2018-C-4464] received August 9, 2019, 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.

1903. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; North Carolina: PSD Requirements for GHGs [EPA-R04-OAR-2018-0257; FRL-9997-84-Region 4] received August 2, 2019, 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.

1904. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York; Cross-State Air Pollution Rule; NOx Ozone Season Group 2, NOx Annual, and SO₂ Group 1 Trading Programs [EPA-R02-OAR-2019-0157; FRL-9997-59-Region 2] received August 2, 2019, 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.

1905. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; KY; Jefferson County Existing and New Miscellaneous Metal Parts and Products Surface Coating Operations [EPA-R04-OAR-2018-0822; FRL-9997-85-Region 4] received August 2, 2019, 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.

1906. A letter from the Division Chief, Broadband Division, Wireless Telecommunication Bureau, Federal Communications

Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Transforming the 2.5 GHz Band [WT Docket No.: 18-120] August 9, 2019, 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.

1907. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Data Collection for Analytics and Surveillance and Market-Based Rate Purposes [Docket No.: RM16-17-000; Order No.: 860] received August 12, 2019, 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.

1908. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Refinements to Horizontal Market Power Analysis for Sellers in Certain Regional Transmission Organization and Independent System Operator Markets [Docket No.: RM19-2-000; Order No. 861] received August 12, 2019, 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.

1909. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting four final reports titled: Low-Ranked Projects Secure Affordable Housing Funds, Some Progress Made But More Improvement Needed In Management of Personally Identifiable Information, D.C. Schools Short-change At-Risk Students, and Panel Meets Most Requirements for Domestic Violence Fatality Review, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 455(d); (87 Stat. 803); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1910. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a notice of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1911. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting two (2) notices of a vacancy, a designation of acting officer, a nomination, and a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1912. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments [FAC 2019-04; Item II; Docket No.: 2019-0002; Sequence No. 2] received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1913. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's summary presentation of final rules — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2019-04; Introduction [Docket No.: FAR 2019-0002, Sequence No. 3] received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1914. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation: Ombudsman for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts [FAC 2019-04; FAR Case 2017-020; Item I; Docket No.: 2017-0020; Sequence No. 1] (RIN: 9000-AN53) received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1915. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's small entity compliance guide — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2019-04 [Docket No.: FAR 2019-0002, Sequence No. 3] received August 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1916. A letter from the Chairwoman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a notification of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

1917. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fisheries; 2019 Fishing Quotas for Atlantic Surfclams and Ocean Quahogs; and Suspension of Minimum Atlantic Surfclam Size Limit [Docket No.: 900124-0127] (RIN: 0648-XG418) received July 9, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

1918. A letter from the Ombudsman for Energy Employees, Occupational Illness Compensation Program, Department of Labor, transmitting the 2018 Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 7385s-15(e)(1); Public Law 106-398, Sec. 1 (as amended by Public Law 108-375, Sec. 3161); (118 Stat. 2185); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1919. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; FY 2020 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update and Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements [CMS-1714-F] (RIN: 0938-AT71) received August 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

1920. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2020 Rates; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers; Medicare and Medicaid Promoting Interoperability Programs Requirements for Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals [CMS-1716-F] (RIN: 0938-AT73) received August 14, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. STEWART (for himself, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. GIANFORTE, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr.