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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, December 16, 2019, at 3 p.m.

## House of Representatives

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

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

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
December 15, 2019.

I hereby appoint the Honorable GERALD E. CONNOLLY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:  
God of light, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As the House lies silent on a Sunday, bless all the Members with patience and courage, that they might remain faithful to their oaths to the Constitution in a contentious political climate. May they be confident of Your presence with them, and be encouraged thereby.

Bless, as well, the people of this great Nation with wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, that they might appreciate the difficult responsibility their Representatives carry.

Please keep all who work for the people's House in good health, that they might faithfully fulfill the great responsibility given them in their service to the work of the Capitol.

Bless us this day and every day. May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(a) of House Resolution 758, 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 7(b) of House Resolution 758, the House stands adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, December 16, 2019, at noon 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 tomorrow, Monday, December 16, 2019, 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:

3304. A letter from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's final rule — Truth in Lending (Regulation Z) Annual Threshold Adjustments (Credit Cards, HOEPA, and Qualified Mortgages) received December 11, 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.

3305. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's interim final regulations — Total and Permanent Disability Discharge of Loans Under Title IV of the Higher Education Act [Docket ID: ED-2019-FSA-0115] (RIN: 1840-AD48) received December 11, 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.

3306. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process that was declared in Executive Order 12947 of January 23, 1995, 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.

3307. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, National Labor Relation Board, transmitting the Board's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2019, 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 Reform.

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

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