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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2016, at 3 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

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

On this day, we ask Your blessing on the men and women of the people's House who have been entrusted with the care of this great Nation's people. Because of the great blessings you have bestowed on our Nation, may we embrace the opportunity to build a better world beyond our borders as well.

As another election approaches, Members are understandably focused on their campaigns. Give them the energy and courage to remain focused as well on the demands of office facing them now.

This is difficult, but our Nation and our world have many issues calling for attention, and these few have the privilege of addressing them with some hope of bringing resolution that may be of benefit to us all.

May all that they do this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. COSTA) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. COSTA 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAM USA

(Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate all of our Olympians and Paralympians who represented Team USA in Rio de Janeiro this year.

The United States brought in 121 medals at the Olympic Games last month, and with the start of the Paralympics this week, I am confident that Team USA's staggering medal count will rise even higher.

The Illinois 13th District sent some incredibly talented athletes to the Games this year. Nichole Millage; my friend Tatyana McFadden and her sister Hannah; Ryan Held, a gold medalist from Springfield, Illinois; Lauren

Doyle and Kelsey Card; as well as wheelchair basketball coach Stephanie Wheeler were selected to represent their country on Team USA; for many, the dream of a lifetime.

These individuals endured hours of rigorous training, overcame personal struggles, and sacrificed simple pleasures to represent our country on the global stage. They are the best and brightest our country has to offer, as well as some of the world's most skilled athletes. They have certainly made their hometowns proud, and it is an honor to represent them in Congress.

### PROGRESO LATINO'S 39TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. CICILLINE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CICILLINE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Progreso Latino, the State of Rhode Island's leading Latino human services organization that is celebrating its 39th anniversary this weekend.

For nearly four decades, Progreso Latino has empowered Rhode Island's Latino community, providing direct advocacy, adult education, child care, and youth programs that have helped build strong, sustainable neighborhoods across our State. They have done this work with great professionalism and a deep commitment to the community.

Progreso Latino has gone above and beyond to provide essential healthcare services for families, including

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