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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, August 27, 2018, at 4 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 2018

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
August 24, 2018.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ALEXANDER X. MOONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Dan C. Cummins, People's Church, Jacksonville, Texas, offered the following prayer:

Our Father, let us walk worthy of the vocation wherein we are called, with all lowliness and meekness, long-suffering, forbearing one another in love, keeping the peaceful unity of the Spirit.

For You have given grace to us all according to the gift of Christ.

Let us speak the truth in love, putting on the new man, which is created in Your righteousness and holiness. And putting away lying, let us speak truth to our neighbor, for we are members one of another.

When angry, may we sin not: neither give place to the devil, and let no corrupt communication proceed out of our mouth but that which is edifying.

And let us not grieve the Holy Spirit of God.

May all bitterness, wrath, anger, and evil speaking be put away.

And let us be kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another even as You, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven us. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section section 2(a) of House Resolution 1012, 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.

### RESIGNATIONS AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES, COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND THE WORKFORCE, AND COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignations as a member of the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, August 23, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House,*  
*House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR SPEAKER RYAN: In light of recent events, I am requesting to be temporarily removed from my positions on the House Committees on Armed Services, Education and the Workforce, and Transportation and Infrastructure. I fully intend to resume my position as an active member of these committees upon a successful resolution of pending legal matters.

The charges against me are politically motivated and without merit. I intend to fight them fully. In the meantime, I look forward to quickly clearing my good name, and I will continue to represent the people of California's 50th District.

Sincerely,

DUNCAN HUNTER,  
*Member of Congress.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignations are accepted.

There was no objection.

### 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, August 23, 2018.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of

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

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