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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.

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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the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 23, 2018, at 1:31 p.m.:

That the Senate agrees to the House amendments to the bill S. 899.

That the Senate passed S. 266.

That the Senate passed S. 1142.

That the Senate passed S. 1322.

That the Senate passed S. 2946.

That the Senate passed without an amendment H.R. 2147.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM CASEWORKER AND FIELD REPRESENTATIVE, THE HONORABLE JACKIE SPEIER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Sera Alptekin, Caseworker and Field Representative, the Honorable JACKIE SPEIER, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 12, 2018.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for testimony, issued by the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of San Mateo, in a criminal proceeding involving an alleged threat of violence against our office personnel.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

SERA ALPTEKIN,
Caseworker & Field Representative.

COMMUNICATION FROM CONSTITUENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE JACKIE SPEIER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following commu-

nication from Mark Nagales, Constituent Services Director, the Honorable JACKIE SPEIER, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 13, 2018.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for testimony, issued by the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of San Mateo, in a criminal proceeding involving an alleged threat of violence against our office personnel.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

MARK NAGALES,
Constituent Services Director.

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR, THE HONORABLE JACKIE SPEIER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Brian Perkins, District Director, the Honorable JACKIE SPEIER, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, August 13, 2018.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a subpoena for testimony issued by the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of San Mateo, in a criminal proceeding involving an alleged threat of violence against our office personnel.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compli-

ance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

BRIAN PERKINS,
District Director.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS TRUST FUND BOARD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 1 of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board Act (2 U.S.C. 154) and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, of the following individual on the part of the House to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board for a 5-year term:

Ms. Elizabeth Beretta-Perik, Jamestown, Rhode Island

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 266. An act to award the Congressional Gold Medal to Anwar Sadat in recognition of his heroic achievements and courageous contributions to peace in the Middle East; to the Committee on Financial Services.

S. 1322. An act to establish the American Fisheries Advisory Committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 1012, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, August 28, 2018.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 7 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at noon.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the second and third quarters of 2018, pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO LITHUANIA, POLAND, AND UKRAINE, EXPENDED JULY 1 AND JULY 8, 2018

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Jennifer Hemingway	7/2	7/4	Lithuania		651.07		* 12,844.91				13,495.98
	7/4	7/5	Poland		280.75		91.94				372.69
	7/5	7/8	Ukraine		386.74						386.74
Nicole Foltz	7/2	7/4	Lithuania		651.07		* 12,844.91				13,495.98
	7/4	7/5	Poland		280.75		91.94				372.69
	7/5	7/8	Ukraine		386.74						386.74
AshLee Strong	7/2	7/4	Lithuania		651.07		* 12,844.91				13,495.98
	7/4	7/5	Poland		280.75		91.94				372.69
	7/5	7/8	Ukraine		386.74						386.74
Ben Napier	7/2	7/4	Lithuania		651.05		* 12,844.91				13,495.96
	7/4	7/5	Poland		280.75		91.94				327.69
	7/5	7/8	Ukraine		386.74						386.74
Committee total					5,238.22		51,747.40				56,976.62

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

* Total air.