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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROONEY of Florida).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

February 8, 2016.
I hereby appoint the Honorable Thomas J. ROONEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

Reverend George P. Schommer, O.P., St. Dominic's Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation, for through Your love and goodness, You created man and woman and gave them the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. In Your wisdom and providence, You gave authority of governance to men and women so that all peoples could live in harmony and pursue the common good and the flourishing of individual gifts and talents.

We ask today that You bless the men and women who work in this Chamber and give them the wisdom and understanding of all law-natural, human, and divine. With Your gracious assistance, may they pursue justice for all so that the citizens of this country may live in freedom and peace. Give them the help of Your grace to overcome challenges and difficulties so that this Nation may be united under Your watchful care.

O God, we trust in You. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 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.

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, February 8, 2016.

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 the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 8, 2016 at 1:17 p.m.:

That the Senate passed H. Con. Res. 109. Appointments:

Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on February 4, 2016, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 515. To protect children and others from sexual abuse and exploitation, including sex trafficking and sex tourism, by providing advance notice of intended travel by registered sex offenders outside the United States to the government of the country of destination, requesting foreign governments to notify the United States when a known sex offender is seeking to enter the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4188. To authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow for morning-hour

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, February 9, 2016, 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:

4254. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule - Importation of Orchids in Growing Media From Taiwan [Docket No.: APHIS-2014-0041] (RIN: 0579-AE01) received February 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4255. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule -Current Good Manufacturing Practice, Hazard Analysis, and Risk-Based Preventive Controls for Human Food; Technical Amendment [Docket No.: FDA-2011-N-0920] (RIN: 0910-AG36) received February 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4256. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA,

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