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House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
December 27, 2011.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Avelino Gonzalez, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Dear Lord, God of history, and our Father:

Culture is that particular form of human endeavor in which mankind elevates to the state of excellence the four dimensions of his personal life: his relationship with his neighbor, with his environment, with himself, and with his transcendent Creator. In doing so, mankind forms the essential values that define not just a nation, but civilization.

Inspire us today, O Lord, through Your Holy Spirit, the men and women that serve this Nation in this House of Representatives, that they may recognize and promote the most noble and authentic of human values. Give this governing body the proper vision of the human person so that all the deliberations today, and always, may elevate the culture of this great Nation and inspire its citizens to moral excellence. We ask this in Your most holy and eternal name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(a) of House Resolution 493, 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.

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, December 23, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,
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 December 23, 2011 at 11:16 a.m.:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H.R. 3765.

Appointment:

The United States-China Economic Security Review Commission.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Friday, December 23, 2011:

H.R. 3765, to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3765. An act to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(b) of House Resolution 493, the House stands adjourned until 1 p.m. on Friday, December 30, 2011.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until Friday, December 30, 2011, at 1 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4407. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 11958, Transmittal No. 16-11 informing of an intent to sign a Memorandum of Understanding Among Australia, Canada, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4408. A letter from the Acting Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting copy of the report entitled "District of Columbia Agencies' Compliance with Fiscal Year 2010 Small Business Enterprise Expenditure Goals", pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4409. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and

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Public Affairs, Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's fiscal year 2011 financial report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4410. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the forty-fifth Semiannual Report to Congress on Audit Follow-up, covering the six month period ending September 30, 2011 in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendment of 1988; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4411. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's semiannual report from the Office of the Inspector General during the 6-month period ending September 30, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4412. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1232; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-039-AD; Amendment 39-16873; AD 2011-24-09] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received December 16, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4413. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc RB211-524G2-19; -524G2-T-19; -524G3-19; -524G3-T-19; 524H2-19; -524H2-T-19; -524H-36; and

-524H-T-36 Turbofan Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1109; Directorate Identifier 2011-NE-33-AD; Amendment 39-16863; AD 2011-23-12] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received December 16, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4414. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP (Type Certificate Previously Held by Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd.) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0716; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-013-AD; Amendment 39-16858; AD 2011-23-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received December 16, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4415. A letter from the Senior Program Analyst, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. Turbohaft Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2011-1159; Directorate Identifier 2011-NE-34-AD; Amendment 39-16864; AD 2011-23-13] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received December 16, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4416. A letter from the Trial Attorney, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Railroad Workplace Safety; Adjacent-Track On-Track Safety for Roadway Workers [Docket No.: FRA-2008-0059, Notice No. 4] (RIN: 2130-AB96)

received November 30, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN: Committee on Foreign Affairs. Second Semiannual Legislative Review and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Foreign Affairs for the 112th Congress (Rept. 112-350). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 835: Mr. TOWNS.
 H.R. 1236: Mr. KISSELL.
 H.R. 1964: Mr. CHABOT.
 H.R. 3400: Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. CONAWAY, and Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio.
 H.R. 3581: Mr. FLORES.
 H. Res. 490: Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. NUGENT, and Mr. HECK.



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Senate

The Senate met at 12 noon and 1 second, and was called to order by the Honorable HARRY REID, a Senator from the State of Nevada.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUYE).

The bill clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 27, 2011.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable HARRY REID, a Senator from the State of Nevada, to perform the duties of the Chair.

DANIEL K. INOUYE,
President pro tempore.

Mr. REID thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 30, 2011, AT 11 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Friday, December 30, 2011.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12 noon and 31 seconds, adjourned until Friday, December 30, 2011, at 11 a.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIFE OF COL.
WILLIAM M. "MIKE" HIX SR.

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 27, 2011

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Colonel William M. "Mike" Hix Sr. of Falls Church, Virginia. Col. Hix died November 6, 2011, at the age of 71, and I would like to recognize his distinguished service to our intelligence community and his efforts to combat discrimination within the military.

Col. Hix was born July 1, 1940 in Fort Worth, Texas. He graduated with a B.S. in Chemistry from Texas A&M University in 1962. He and his wife, Mary, relocated to Falls Church in the late 1960s.

During his long career with the U.S. Army, Col. Hix served two tours in Vietnam, earned a M.S. in Operations Research and Systems Analysis from the University of Rochester, and served as deputy staff director of President Carter's Commission on Military Compensation. His last post was executive to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Army Intelligence in 1989. As a reflection on his dedication, skills and valor, he was awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and a Bronze Star.

He soon began a second career as Senior Analyst and Associate Director of the Arroyo

Center at the RAND Corporation. He contributed to reports on Army personnel functions and Gulf War illnesses, assisted police departments in New Orleans and New York City, and worked to end discrimination against gays in the military. Col. Hix retired from the RAND Corporation in 2006.

He was an active member of Grace Episcopal Church in Alexandria. He leaves behind his wife of 46 years, three children, and a brother.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the accomplished life of Col. William M. "Mike" Hix Sr., expressing our gratitude to his family for his service to our nation and extending our sympathies for their loss.

TRIBUTE TO DAN TERRELL,
MAYOR OF MITCHELL, INDIANA

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 27, 2011

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great privilege as the representative of Indiana's Fourth District to rise and pay tribute to Mr. Dan Terrell, Mayor of Mitchell, Indiana.

Mayor Terrell is a man of deep civic conviction, a loving father of 6, and a devoted grandfather of 17.

Dan Terrell was born in Mitchell, Indiana, and has remained there his entire life. He has never lost the small town conservative spirit that growing up in the Heartland of America gave him.

Following his retirement from the Canadian Pacific Railroad, Dan Terrell was ready to concentrate fully on helping his hometown overcome challenges that so many small cities and towns have faced: lost businesses, sidewalks that were unsafe or non-existent, infrastructure in total disrepair, drinking water barely able to pass State regulations. During Mayor Terrell's four years in office these, and many other concerns, have not only been addressed but have been corrected. That is leadership.

Besides the tangible accomplishments, his representation of the City as he traveled throughout Indiana offered his constituents a Mayor they could be proud of. A great example of this is the fact that he chaired the Southern Indiana Mayors Roundtable, a convention of all the mayors in Indiana.

His leadership and vision will be truly missed as he leaves the Mayor's office. His love and his devotion for his hometown will continue. Mr. Speaker, it has been a true honor to stand in tribute and offer my thanks to the civic service of Mayor Dan Terrell, one of Indiana's best mayors and my close friend.

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Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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The Senate met at 12:00:01 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 12:00:31 p.m. until 11:00 a.m., on Friday, December 30, 2011.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

There were no public bills or resolutions introduced today.

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H10030**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:
Second Semiannual Legislative Review and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Foreign Affairs for the 112th Congress (H. Rept. 112-350).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H10029**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Rev. Avelino Gonzalez, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, DC. **Page H10029**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H10029.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 1 p.m. and adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Friday, December 30

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 p.m., Friday, December 30

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Program for Friday: The House will meet in pro forma session at 1 p.m.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

HOUSE

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