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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 16, 2012, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2012

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 13, 2012.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVEN C. LATOURETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

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

How shall we be measured in Your sight? In a culture of achievement, we can carry over competitive attitudes to our relationship with You and to those we love and serve. But once we realize there is nothing we can do to make You love us more than You already do, we can be set free to simply love as You love and serve others with abandonment. Help us to give of ourselves in love and service, for this is enough.

In a culture of success, the worst thing that can happen is to fail. But all You ask of us, O Lord, is to do what is right, speak what is true, and give of ourselves in service to others without counting the cost.

Bless the Members of this people's House and bless us all with the grace to

love as You love. May all we do be done for Your greater honor and glory. 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, July 12, 2012.

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 July 12, 2012 at 5:52 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3902.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon on Tuesday, July 17, 2012, for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, July 17, 2012, at noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

6912. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Chronic Wasting Disease Herd Certification Program and Interstate Movement of Farmed or Captive Deer, Elk, and Moose [Docket No.: 00-108-8] (RIN: 0579-AB35) received June 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6913. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Acquisition of Tents and Other Temporary Structures (DFARS Case 2012-D015) (RIN: 0750-AH73) received June 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

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6914. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting annual report on new safety technologies and equipment pursuant to the MINER Act of 2006 for Fiscal Year 2011; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6915. A letter from the Chair, Board of Governors, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, transmitting the 2011 Annual Report, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1320e Public Law 111-148, section 1181(d)(10); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6916. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting a notice of proposed lease with the Government of Sweden (Transmittal No. 05-12) pursuant to Section 62(a) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6917. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Wassenaar Arrangement 2011 Plenary Agreements Implementation: Commerce Control List, Definitions, New Participating State (Mexico) and Reports [Docket No.: 111220789-1017-01] (RIN: 0694-AF50) received June 18, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6918. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the U.S. Commitments Ensuring the Safety, Reliability, and Performance of its Nuclear Forces; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6919. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), the Authorization for the Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, a report prepared by the Department of State for the February 26, 2012—April 25, 2012 reporting period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq under Section 7 of the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-338); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6920. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the semi-annual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act), section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6921. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Residency Requirements for Aliens Acquiring Firearms (2011R-23P) [Docket No.: ATF 22I; AG Order No. 3337-2012] (RIN: 1140-AA44) received June 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6922. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Firearms Disabilities for Certain Nonimmigrant Aliens (2001R-332P) [Docket No.: ATF 24F; AG Order No. 3336-2012] (RIN: 1140-AA08) received June 14, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6923. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's Thirty-Fourth Annual Report to Congress pursuant to section 201 of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of and Section 7A of the Clayton Act, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 18a(j); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6924. A letter from the Director, National Legislative Commission, American Legion, transmitting a copy of the Legion's financial statements as of December 31, 2011, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1101(4) and 1103; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6925. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the 2011 annual report on the Department's Veterans' Employment and Training Service, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 2009(b); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6926. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Autopsies at VA Expense (RIN: 2900-AO03) received June 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6927. A letter from the Director of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—VA Veteran-Owned Small Business Verification Guidelines (RIN: 2900-AO49) received June 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6928. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—(Department of the Treasury Circular, Public Debt Series No. 3-72) U.S. Treasury Securities—State and Local Government Series received June 15, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6929. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Treatment of Overall Foreign and Domestic Losses [TD 9595] (RIN: 1545-BH13) received June 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6930. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Portability of a Deceased Spousal Unused Exclusion Amount [TD 9593] (RIN: 1545-BK34) received June 27, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6931. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled, "Plan to Implement a Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility Value-Based Purchasing Program"; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. MCHENRY for himself and Mr. GARRETT:

H.R. 6127. A bill to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to enable national securities exchanges to provide financial incentives to market-makers that adhere to objective standards that increase the liquidity and depth of the public capital markets and promote enhanced trading and price-discovery for smaller public companies; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD:

H.R. 6128. A bill to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that immigration status alone does not disqualify a parent, legal guardian, or relative from being a placement for a foster child, to prohibit a State, county, or other political subdivision of a State from filing for termination of parental rights in foster care cases in which an otherwise fit and willing parent or legal guardian has been deported or is involved in (including detention pursuant to) an immigration proceeding, unless certain

conditions have been met, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CLARKE of Michigan (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi):

H.R. 6129. A bill to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prohibit the use of consumer reports and consumer information in making any determination involving auto insurance with respect to a consumer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. HOCHUL:

H.R. 6130. A bill to require priority visa processing for visitors to National Heritage Areas or National Parks, to invest in communities hosting these national treasures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. LEE of California (for herself, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Ms. NORTON):

H. Con. Res. 131. Concurrent resolution expressing support for continued international cooperation to combat HIV/AIDS; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. ISRAEL:

H. Res. 729. A resolution reaffirming the commitment of the House of Representatives to American manufacturing and jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:

H. Res. 730. A resolution urging the Government of Ukraine to ensure free and fair parliamentary elections on October 28, 2012, by adhering to democratic standards, establishing a transparent electoral process and releasing opposition leaders sentenced on politically motivated grounds; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. MCHENRY:

H.R. 6127.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD:

H.R. 6128.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

By Mr. CLARKE of Michigan:

H.R. 6129.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the Constitution of the United States of America.

By Ms. HOCHUL:

H.R. 6130.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

- H.R. 459: Mr. ROYCE.
 H.R. 997: Mr. SHUSTER.
 H.R. 1006: Mr. RIVERA and Mr. MCCAUL.
 H.R. 1063: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.
 H.R. 1543: Ms. SUTTON and Mrs. CAPPS.
 H.R. 1802: Mrs. LOWEY.
 H.R. 2212: Mr. CLAY.
- H.R. 2335: Ms. JENKINS.
 H.R. 2866: Ms. EDWARDS.
 H.R. 3032: Mr. CARSON of Indiana.
 H.R. 3091: Mr. ROSS of Florida.
 H.R. 3269: Mr. WEBSTER.
 H.R. 3458: Mr. BOREN.
 H.R. 3605: Mr. STARK.
 H.R. 3618: Ms. WOOLSEY.
 H.R. 3783: Mr. WEST and Mrs. ELLMERS.
 H.R. 3803: Mr. NUNES, Mr. PAULSEN, and Mr. GERLACH.
 H.R. 4122: Ms. SLAUGHTER.
 H.R. 4235: Mr. CONAWAY and Mr. POSEY.
 H.R. 4269: Mr. CONAWAY.
 H.R. 4323: Ms. HAYWORTH, Mr. GIBSON, and Mrs. BLACK.
 H.R. 4481: Mr. LAMBORN.
 H.R. 5381: Mr. GIBBS.
 H.R. 5914: Mr. CARTER.
- H.R. 5925: Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS.
 H.R. 5943: Mr. LUETKEMEYER and Mrs. HARTZLER.
 H.R. 6043: Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia.
 H.R. 6046: Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. FARR, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, and Mr. STARK.
 H.R. 6047: Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BOREN, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. WALBERG, and Mr. PITTS.
 H.R. 6088: Mr. FRANKS of Arizona and Mr. BARTLETT.
 H.R. 6089: Mr. FLORES.
 H.R. 6117: Ms. BALDWIN.
 H.J. Res. 8: Mr. JONES.
 H. Res. 262: Mr. BUTTERFIELD.
 H. Res. 506: Mr. CRITZ.
 H. Res. 672: Mr. SCHIFF.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE MEMORY OF LONG-TIME CARSON CITY COUNCIL-WOMAN KAY CALAS

HON. LAURA RICHARDSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2012

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the memory of a truly inspirational woman, Kay Calas. Kay was a resident of Carson for over seven decades, and helped the area evolve into a large and diverse city with a thriving business community.

Shortly after moving to Carson in 1940 with her oldest son Chuck Thonney she met her husband, John Calas. Together they had four sons and were active members of the Carson community. He went on to found the Carson Chamber of Commerce, help the city incorporate in 1968 and finally was elected to the City Council in 1972.

Only three years later Mr. Calas passed away. The city saw something special in Kay, and 1,400 residents signed a petition urging the council to appoint her to the seat for the remainder of his term. Although the effort was unsuccessful she ran in the next election, and won. She won the next seven elections as well, before retiring in 2005.

Throughout scandal and corruption in the city's government, Kay could always be looked to as the beacon of righteousness. Although many of her colleagues were brought down from these scandals, not once was she affected.

Kay's life was dedicated to her sons and the city she loved so much. She had a particular passion for senior citizen's rights and the fine arts. There were instances where she would pay for a senior's hearing aid if the insurance would not cover it, and every year she paid the travel expenses to bring 3,000 school children to The Carson Symphony Orchestra.

Her political rivals had great respect for her as well, stating that although they disagreed on legislative issues, they knew Kay was always trying to help the city and residents of Carson.

Kay Calas was an innovative and visionary woman. As a woman in Congress I can appreciate what it takes to break into a traditionally male oriented world, and being elected in the seventies to public office is all the more impressive. She was an ideal role model for the young women of Carson, and her presence will be sorely missed.

THE HELP SEPARATED FAMILIES ACT

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2012

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to introduce the Help Separated Families Act.

This legislation proposes common sense solutions to keep families united and reduce the number of children in foster care as a result of immigration enforcement action.

During the first half of last year alone, more than 46,000 parents of U.S. citizen children were deported from the United States. In the wake of their parents' removal, a growing number of children have been placed in foster care and left to languish, or worse yet, have been separated permanently from their families when their parents' rights are terminated. It is estimated that over 5,000 children in at least 22 states are currently living in foster care as a result of immigration enforcement policies.

As parental deportation and detention rates have risen in recent years, the devastating impact on families has increased. Mothers like Encarnacion Bail Romero, who was apprehended in a federal immigration raid in 2007 and torn from her then-seven-month son, often face insurmountable barriers to family reunification. Ms. Romero, a native of Guatemala, had her parental rights terminated while in federal custody after a judge ruled that "illegally smuggling herself into the country is not a lifestyle that can provide any stability for the child." Her son Carlitos was adopted out against her will to a new family who now calls him Jameson, and Ms. Romero has not seen him in approximately five years.

What this case and so many more like it tell us is that, in the U.S., immigration status in itself has become grounds to permanently separate families. This is absolutely, unquestionably inhumane and unacceptable—particularly for a country that values family and fairness so highly.

The bond that exists between children and parents is not weakened by country of origin or immigration status. Undocumented parents love their children and want the best for them as all parents do, yet our broken child welfare and immigration systems undermine the best interests of their families. The Help Separated Families Act helps address this heartbreaking issue.

To ensure more children are cared for by family members, my bill prohibits immigration status from disqualifying a parent, legal guardian, or relative from placement consideration. While current law allows undocumented individuals to become a foster or adoptive parent, our child welfare system continues to be biased against undocumented caregivers, as evidenced by a 12-year-old boy in Michigan who has spent two full years in foster care with strangers after both of his parents were deported. Even though his aunt and uncle sought custody, they were denied by the child welfare agency on the basis of their immigration status.

The Help Separated Families Act also facilitates family unity by prohibiting states from petitioning to terminate parental rights based on the deportation or detention of a parent, provided certain conditions have been met. This provision protects the legal rights of parents and prevents child welfare agencies from un-

fairly, unnecessarily, and permanently separating children from their parents.

Our broken immigration system has torn apart families and taken a terrible toll on communities. I ask my colleagues to join me in doing our part to keep families together by supporting the Help Separated Families Act.

ANNIVERSARY OF SOUTH SUDAN'S INDEPENDENCE

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2012

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, Monday marked the anniversary of South Sudan's independence. The people of that war-weary nation voted overwhelmingly to break from Khartoum which is headed by an indicted war criminal.

The challenges facing this fledgling nation are sizeable, including government corruption. A June AP story reported on President Salva Kiir's efforts to secure the return of an estimated \$4 billion in stolen funds. Kiir wrote, "We fought for freedom, justice and equality . . . Yet, once we got to power, we forgot what we fought for and began to enrich ourselves at the expense of our people." These are sobering but necessary words.

South Sudan's transition to independence has been undermined by their murderous neighbor to the north—Bashir. He's driven thousands of refugees from the Nuba Mountains into South Sudan.

And the Obama administration has done little to thwart him.

We must stand with our friends in the South as they seek to establish a healthy democracy and we must bring Bashir to justice.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIX ASSURANCES AND OF THE LIFTING OF MARTIAL LAW IN TAIWAN

HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2012

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate two important anniversaries that are coming up this July 14th in relation to our close friends in Taiwan.

Since the end of World War Two, the United States and Taiwan have fostered a close relationship that has been of enormous strategic and economic benefit to both countries. When the United States shifted diplomatic relations from Taiwan to the People's Republic of China (PRC) in January 1979, Congress moved quickly to pass the Taiwan Relations Act (TRA) to ensure that the United States would continue its robust engagement with Taiwan in the areas of commerce, culture, and security cooperation. On April 10, 1979, President Jimmy Carter signed this important and lasting

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piece of legislation into law and it has since served as the statutory basis for U.S.-Taiwan relations going forward.

After 33 years, the TRA still stands as a model of Congressional leadership in the history of our foreign relations, and, together with the 1982 Six Assurances, it remains the cornerstone of a mutually beneficial relationship between the United States and Taiwan. These Six Assurances—issued by President Ronald Reagan on July 14, 1982—further clarified U.S. policy toward Taiwan, particularly regarding arms sales, while reiterating our commitment to Taiwan's security under the TRA and reaffirming our position on Taiwan's sovereignty. It also stipulated that we would not pressure Taiwan to enter into negotiations with the PRC.

On that same day five years later, martial law was lifted in Taiwan, setting the stage for a momentous process of democratization in Taiwan that continues to this day. Taiwan now has a robust, boisterous parliament, and has seen several peaceful transitions of presidential power between parties, based on repeated free and fair elections. They have truly joined the world's community of democracies, which has only strengthened the friendship between our two peoples.

Unfortunately, though, Taiwan continues to live day after day under the ominous shadow cast by over 1400 short and medium-range ballistic missiles that the PRC has aimed at them. The PRC persists in claiming Taiwan as a "renegade province," refusing to renounce

the use of force to prevent Taiwan's formal de jure independence.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in commemorating this July 14th as the 30th anniversary of the Six Assurances and the 25th anniversary of the lifting of martial law in Taiwan, to further underline our unwavering commitment to the people of Taiwan and to affirm our support for the strong and deepening relationship between the U.S. and Taiwan,

HONORING JUDGE MICHAEL NASH
FOR HIS INSTALLATION AS
PRESIDENT OF THE NCJFCJ

HON. KAREN BASS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 13, 2012

Ms. BASS of California. Mr. Speaker, today I honor a remarkable individual of California's 33rd Congressional District—Judge Michael Nash on occasion of his installation as President of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, NCJFCJ, as well as his service and dedication to strengthening the court system, helping American families and children, and bringing attention to critical issues facing these children and families. An accomplished leader, Judge Nash is characterized by his profound compassion for children and families in California.

Judge Nash has continuously demonstrated his strong commitment to Los Angeles and the nation, having served in many outstanding positions directed toward the betterment of his community. He has served as a Judge in the Los Angeles Juvenile Court for over two decades and has been the Presiding Judge for 15 years. Judge Nash also was a co-chair of the California Judicial Council's Family & Juvenile Advisory Committee, and Chair of the Juvenile Court Judges of California. He has also left a legacy in his community by organizing the "Adoption Saturdays" Program in 1998, which has extended across the nation and has helped see the adoption of over 10,000 children in the foster care system. Judge Nash supervised the establishment of Los Angeles' first mental health and drug court for juveniles, dedicating himself to the development and progression of youth in his community.

Judge Nash will bring years of experience, deep insight, and strong determination to the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges as its President. He is an extraordinarily innovative leader who will continue to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and their families throughout the nation.

Mr. Speaker, I am very proud to have such a pioneering and inspiring community leader in my home district. I take great pleasure in recognizing Judge Michael Nash as he assumes the Presidency of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 2 p.m., on Monday, July 16, 2012.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 6127–6130; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 131 and H. Res. 729–730, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative LaTourette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4867.

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 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, JULY 16, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 16 through July 20, 2012

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 5 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m. Following disposition of the nomination, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3369, DISCLOSE Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: July 17, to hold hearings to examine the “Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act”, focusing on two years later, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: July 17, Subcommittee on Financial Service and General Government, to hold hearings to examine if consumers are adequately protected

from flammability of upholstered furniture, focusing on the effectiveness of furniture flammability standards and flame retardant chemicals, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: July 19, business meeting to consider the nominations of General Mark A. Welsh III, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, Lieutenant General John F. Kelly, USMC to be general and Commander, United States Southern Command, and Lieutenant General Frank J. Grass, ARNG to be general and Chief, National Guard Bureau, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 17, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 18, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the global competitiveness of the United States Aviation Industry, focusing on addressing competition issues to maintain United States leadership in the aerospace market, 3 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 17, to hold hearings to examine the status of action taken to ensure that the electric grid is protected from cyber attacks, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 17, to hold hearings to examine the next ten years in the fight against human trafficking, focusing on attacking the problem with the right tools, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

July 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcie B. Ries, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, John M. Koenig, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cyprus, Michael David Kirby, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, Thomas Hart Armbruster, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and Greta Christine Holtz, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, all of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 13, 2006, and Signed by the United States of America on June 30, 2009 (Treaty Doc 112-7), 9 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 19, to hold hearings to examine making college affordability a priority, focusing on promising practices and strategies, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 17, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine United States vulnerabilities to money laundering, drugs, and terrorist financing, focusing on HSBC case history, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

July 18, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine improving the transparency of Federal spending, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 18, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the

census, focusing on planning ahead for 2020, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 19, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the impacts of environmental changes on treaty rights, traditional lifestyles, and tribal homelands, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 18, to hold hearings to examine improving forensic science in the criminal justice system, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 18, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law, to hold hearings to examine what facial recognition technology means for privacy and civil liberties, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

July 19, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 285, for the relief of Sopuruchi Chukwueke, S. 3276, to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and the nominations of Frank Paul Geraci, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, Fernando M. Olguin, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Malachy Edward Mannion, and Matthew W. Brann, both to be a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and Charles R. Breyer, of California, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 18, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Thomas Skerik Sowers II, of Missouri, to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 17, to hold a closed markup to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

July 19, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: July 18, to hold hearings to examine Medicare and Medicaid coordination for dual-eligibles, 2 p.m., SH-216.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations, July 18, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, markup of the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill, FY 2013, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 18, Full Committee, hearing on disclosures of national security information and impact on military operations, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 18, Full Committee, hearing on Sequestration Implementation Options and the Effects on National Defense: Industry Perspectives, 10:10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Withdrawal from Afghanistan: Historical Lessons, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 19, Full Committee, hearing on disclosures of national security information and impact on military operations, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn. This is a closed hearing.

July 20, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on Nonproliferation and Disarmament: What's the connection and what does that mean for U.S. security and Obama Administration policy?, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Navy shipbuilding and impacts on the defense industrial base in a time of fiscal uncertainty, 11 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, July 18, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training, hearing entitled "Keeping College Within Reach: Exploring State Efforts to Curb Costs", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 17, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "The American Energy Initiative", 3 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Using Innovation to Reform Medicare Physician Payment", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on discussion draft of the "U.S. Agricultural Sector Relief Act of 2012"; and the "Asthma Inhalers Relief Act of 2012", 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 19, Full Committee, begin markup of the following: H.R. 5865, the "American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2012"; H.R. 5859, a bill to repeal an obsolete provision of Title 49; H.R. 4273, the "Resolving Environmental and Grid Reliability Conflicts Act of 2012"; H.R. 5892, the "Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2012"; H. Con. Res. 127; and the Semi-Annual Committee Activity Report, 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 20, Full Committee, continue markup of the following: H.R. 5865, the "American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2012"; H.R. 5859, a bill to repeal an obsolete provision of Title 49; H.R. 4273, the "Resolving Environmental and Grid Reliability Conflicts Act of 2012"; H.R. 5892, the "Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2012"; H. Con. Res. 127; and the Semi-Annual Committee Activity Report, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Where the Jobs Are: Moving the Economy with Mobile Apps", 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "DOE's Nuclear Weapons Complex: Challenges to Safety, Security, and Taxpayer Stewardship", 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, July 18, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary policy and the state of the economy", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Who's In Your Wallet? Dodd-Frank's Impact on Families, Communities and Small Businesses", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "The Impact of Dodd-Frank on Consumer Choice and Access to Credit", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "The Im-

pact of the Dodd-Frank Act on Municipal Finance", 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 17, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing entitled "Global Challenges in Diagnosing and Managing Lyme Disease—Closing Knowledge Gaps", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing entitled "Poison Harvest: Deadly U.S. Mine Pollution in Peru", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

July 19, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Unfair Trading Practices Against the U.S.: Intellectual Property Rights Infringement, Property Expropriation, and Other Barriers", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled "When Regimes Fall: The Challenge of Securing Lethal Weapons", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 18, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, hearing entitled "A Decade After 9/11 Could American Flight Schools Still Unknowingly Be Training Terrorists?", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

July 19, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management, hearing entitled "Using Unmanned Aerial Systems Within the Homeland: Security Game Changer?", 9:30 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, July 19, Full Committee hearing entitled "Library of Congress: 2012 Inspector General Report on Library-Wide Acquisitions", 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 18, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, hearing entitled "The International Trade Commission and Patent Disputes", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.J. Res. 110, an Amendment to the Constitution Concerning Parental Rights and Education, 12:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 18, Full Committee, markup of the following: H.R. 6062, the "Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Reauthorization Act of 2012"; H.R. 3796, the "Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2012"; and H.R. 3803, the "District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 19, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 20, Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing entitled "The Supreme Court's Decision in *Stern v. Marshall*: Its Effects on Bankruptcy Administration and Possible Congressional Responses", 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 18, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6082, the "Congressional Replacement of President Obama's Energy-Restricting and Job-Limiting Offshore Drilling Plan", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 19, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, "Status of Obama Administration's Rewrite of the Stream Buffer Zone Rule and Compliance with Committee Subpoenas", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 19, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 3906, to amend the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act to allow recreational fishing for Atlantic Striped Bass in the Block Island Sound transit zone; H.R. 6007, the “North Texas Zebra Mussel Barrier Act of 2012”; and H.R. 6096, the “Atlantic Fisheries Statutes Reauthorization Act of 2012”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following measures: H.R. 5744 the “Catastrophic Wildfire Prevention Act of 2012”; H.R. 5960, the “Depleting Risk from Insect Infestation, Soil Erosion, and Catastrophic Fire Act of 2012”; and H.R. 6089, to address the bark beetle epidemic, drought, deteriorating forest health conditions, and high risk of wildfires on National Forest System land and land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in the United States by expanding authorities established in the Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003 to provide emergency measures for high-risk areas identified by such States, to make permanent Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management authority to conduct good-neighbor cooperation with States to reduce wildfire risks, and for other purposes, 9 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 20, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Helium: Supply Shortages Impacting our Economy, National Defense and Manufacturing”, 9:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 18, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending, hearing entitled “The Administration’s Bet of Abound Solar: Assessing the Costs to the American Taxpayers”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 18, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, hearing entitled “Taking Care of Our Veterans: What is the Department

of Veterans Affairs Doing to Eliminate the Claims Backlog?”, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 19, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Continuing Oversight of Regulatory Impediments to Job Creation: Job Creators Still Buried by Red Tape”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census and the National Archives, hearing entitled “Changes to the Heights Act: Shaping Washington, D.C., for the Future”, 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, July 19, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Keeping America Secure: The Science Supporting the Development of Threat Detection Technologies”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 18, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Digital Divide: Expanding Broadband Access to Small Businesses”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 19, Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations, “Health Care Realignment and Regulation: The Demise of Small and Solo Medical Practices?”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 18, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled “A Review of the FAA’s Contract Tower Program”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, July 18, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “Invisible Wounds: Examining the Disability Compensation Benefits Process for Victims of Military Sexual Trauma”, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, July 19, Full Committee, hearing on Tax Reform and the U.S. Manufacturing Sector, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

July 20, Full Committee, hearing on SSI financial eligibility requirements and the use of technology to improve their administration, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, July 16

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, July 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: The Majority Leader will be recognized. At 5 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Kevin McNulty, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 5:30 p.m. Following which, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3369, DISCLOSE Act, with ten minutes of debate and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

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