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Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. LUJÁN, Ms. McCOLLUM. Messrs. DEFAZIO. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, PRICE of NEAL, North Carolina, HIMES. HUFFMAN, YARMUTH, MOULTON, Ms. OMAR, Messrs. WELCH, QUIGLEY, and Ms. SPEIER changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. HARRIS, ROUZER. and STEWART changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to instruct was reiected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, September 12, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Katelyn Love, General Counsel, North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held September 10, 2019, the Honorable Dan Bishop was elected Representative to Congress for the Ninth Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

With best wishes, I am. Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, Raleigh, NC, September 12, 2019.

Hon. CHERYL L. JOHNSON, Clerk, House of Representatives,

 $Washington,\,DC.$ 

DEAR Ms. JOHNSON: This is to advise you that current unofficial election night results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, for a Representative in Congress from the Ninth Congressional District of North Carolina, show that Dan Bishop received 96,081 or 50.74% of the votes cast for that office.

While vote counting at the precinct and of approved absentee ballots occurs immediately after the polls close, provisional offi-

cial ballots and absentee ballots received on or after Election Day, September 10, 2019, are still being counted. See N.C.G.S. 163A-1169(a), 163A-1310, 163A-1344, 163A-1346. Civilian and UOCAVA absentee ballots shall be counted if received by 5:00 pm on Friday, September 13, 2019 and all other requirements are met.

The county canvasses will occur on Monday, September 16, 2019. Prior to canvass, county boards of elections complete sample audit counts of a statistically significant sample in each county. The purpose of the audit is to provide for a sample hand-to-eye count of ballots in each county to ensure equipment used to count votes during the election worked properly.

Any protest concerning the conduct of the election must be filed with the county board of elections by 5:00 pm on Thursday, September 18, 2019. See N.C.G.S. 163A-1177. To the best of my knowledge and belief as of the date of this letter, no protest has been filed.

The State Board will hold its canvass on Tuesday, October 1, 2019. State and county board staff complete additional post-election audits prior to this date. After the State canvass of votes for the Ninth Congressional District of North Carolina has been completed, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by

Sincerely.

KATELYN LOVE, General Counsel.

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The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Katelyn Love, General Counsel, North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held September 10, 2019, the Honorable Greg Murphy was elected Representative to Congress for the Third Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS. Raleigh, NC, September 12, 2019.

Hon. CHERYL L. JOHNSON, Clerk, House of Representatives. The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR Ms. JOHNSON: This is to advise you that current unofficial election night results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, for a Representative in Congress from the Third Congressional District of North Carolina, show that Greg Murphy received 70,142 or 61.74% of the votes cast for that office.

While vote counting at the precinct and of approved absentee ballots occurs immediately after the polls close, provisional official ballots and absentee ballots received on or after Election Day, September 10, 2019, are still being counted. See N.C.G.S. 163A-1169(a), 163A-1310, 163A-1344, 163A-1346. Due to Hurricane Dorian, the deadline to receive absentee ballots was extended. Civilian absentee ballots delivered by mail or commercial courier service shall be counted if postmarked by Election Day and received by 5:00Wednesday, September 18, pm on UOCAVA absentee ballots shall be counted if received by 5:00 pm Thursday, September 19,

The county canvasses will occur on Friday, September 20, 2019. Prior to canvass, county boards of elections complete sample audit counts of a statistically significant sample in each county. The purpose of the audit is to provide for a sample hand-to-eye count of ballots in each county to ensure equipment used to count votes during the election worked properly.

Any protest concerning the conduct of the election must be filed with the county board of elections by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, September 24, 2019. See N.C.G.S. 163A-1177. To the best of my knowledge and belief as of the date of this letter, no protest has been filed.

The State Board will hold its canvass on Tuesday, October 1, 2019. State and county board staff complete additional post-election audits prior to this date. After the State canvass of votes for the Third Congressional District of North Carolina has been completed, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

KATELYN LOVE, General Counsel.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE DAN BISHOP, OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND THE HONORABLE GREG MURPHY, OF NORTH CARO-LINA, AS MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentlemen from North Carolina, the Honorable Dan Bishop and the Honorable Greg Murphy, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

Their certificates of election have not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to their elections.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

# SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT

The SPEAKER. Will the Representatives-elect please present themselves in the well.

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina and Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now Members of the 116th Congress.