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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. HEFLEY].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
September 28, 1995.

I hereby designate the Honorable JOEL HEFLEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Kurt G. Jung, Lutheran pastor retired, Cape Coral, FL, offered the following prayer:

Almighty and gracious God. We begin this day with the Psalmist: ''I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.''—Psalms 9: 2.

Eternal God, You have blessed us and not failed us. We have every reason to be thankful, and we do glorify Your name today.

Lord, as we have faith in Your unfailing love and guidance, You can give us a positive vision of hope and life for our Nation. As You guided our Founding Fathers, so You can lead each one of us. Give us wisdom to make the decisions we know to be spiritual, right, and honorable. Help us to hear Your guiding voice amid the clamor of the masses.

In Your holy name. 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. Will the gentlewoman from North Carolina [Mrs. MYRICK] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. MYRICK 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain fifteen 1-minutes on each side.

WELCOMING THE REVEREND DR. KURT GERHARD JUNG

(Mr. GOSS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues will join me in extending a warm welcome to today's guest minister, the Reverend Dr. Kurt Gerhard Jung. Reverend Jung is a constituent of mine from Cape Coral, FL, which is the largest city in my district, and I am delighted to introduce him to the House and to thank him for his inspiring words of opening prayer for today's session.

Reverend Jung has devoted the better part of his life to public and spiritual service, both in this country and in Germany. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and has taught religion, theology, and language courses at a variety of higher learning institutions in this country and abroad. During his nearly four decades in Germany, in fact, Reverend Jung served as the adjunct chaplain to the American military forces in Berlin and presided as senior minister in several German churches. Although he describes himself as semiretired these days, he is certainly quite active in the southwest Florida community that I live in, teaching Bible study, filling in for other pastors, and doing all kinds of good works for our community.

He and his wife, Ruth, have three children and three grandchildren. One of his children, David, is known to many of our colleagues because he serves us well on the staff of the Committee on International Relations.

We are most pleased to have Reverend Jung and his wife, Ruth, and children, Nancy, Jonathan, and David, and grandchildren, Jan, Andreas, and Karsten with us today. We wish them a warm welcome and thanks.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN], the chairman of the Committee on International Relations.

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my esteemed colleague from Florida in extending a warm welcome to our guest chaplain, Dr. Kurt Jung, from Cape Coral, FL. Dr. Jung's eloquent prayer is certainly a testimony to his many years of dedicated service in the ministry.

Indeed, our country needs to be reminded every day in prayer in our efforts to uphold the spiritual and moral principles that have guided our great Nation. Dr. Jung is no stranger to the challenges and dangers of the diverse world in which we all live. He served faithfully with the U.S. Navy during World War II, after which his calling to

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