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# House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God, creator of all and guide of history, on October 22, 1978, Your servant and priest, Karol Wojtyla, greeted the world, as John Paul II in St. Peter's Square, with the words: ''Be not afraid!''

He wrote later that he could not fully know how far these words would take him and the whole world into the future. ''Their meaning came more from the Holy Spirit than the man who spoke them,'' he said.

Lord, his exhortation, ''Be not afraid!'' is to be interpreted now as having very broad meaning. In a certain sense, it remains an exhortation addressed to all people, an exhortation to conquer fear in the present world and every situation.

It is a prayerful exhortation addressed to America and Members of Congress today: ''Have no fear of that which you yourselves and the founders of this great country have created. Have no fear of all that human history has produced. Have no fear of a world that is every day becoming more dangerous to the human perspective. Have no fear of yourselves!''

You, Lord God, are the source of hope and strength which conquers every fear and sets us free. In You, Lord God, there is more power than anything man, woman, or child could imagine or fear. With You, Lord God, people of faith can take bold steps themselves to rid the world of fear and plant seeds of hope for the least and the most threatened in our midst.

Through You, Lord God, we find peace, reconciliation, unity and freedom, now and forever.

Amen.

## THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BURGESS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BURGESS 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.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monohan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution:

S. RES. 93

Whereas Howell T. Heflin served as a United States Marine from 1942–1946 and was awarded the Silver Star for bravery;

Whereas Howell T. Heflin served as Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court from 1971–1977;

Whereas Howell T. Heflin served the people of Alabama with distinction for 18 years in the United States Senate; and

Whereas Howell T. Heflin served the Senate as Chairman of the Select Committee on Ethics in the ninety-sixth and one hundredth to one hundred-second Congresses;

*Resolved,* That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Howell T. Heflin, formerly a Senator from the State of Alabama.

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved,* That when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Howell T. Heflin.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a concurrent resolution of the House of the following title:

H. Con. Res. 95. Concurrent Resolution establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2006, revising appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2005, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 through 2010.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H. Con. Res. 95) entitled ''Concurrent resolution establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2006, revising appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2005, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 through 2010.'', and requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints

Mr. GREGG, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. SARBANES and Mrs. MURRAY, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bills on Monday, March 21, 2005:

H.R. 1270, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund financing rate;

S. 686, for the relief of the parents of Theresa Marie Schiavo.

## AUTHORIZING THE SPEAKER TO DECLARE A RECESS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2005, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING IN JOINT MEETING HIS EXCELLENCY, VIKTOR YUSHCHENKO, PRESIDENT OF UKRAINE

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it may be in order



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