

¶2.8 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—  
DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY CLERK

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 7, 1997.  
Hon. Newt Gingrich,  
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Under Clause 4 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I herewith designate Ms. Linda Nave, Deputy Clerk, to sign any and all papers and do all other acts for me under the name of the Clerk of the House which she would be authorized to do by virtue of this designation, except such as are provided by statute, in case of my temporary absence or disability.

This designation shall remain in effect for the 105th Congress or until modified by me.

Sincerely yours,  
ROBIN H. CARLE,  
Clerk.

¶2.9 DESIGNATION OF ELECTORAL VOTE  
TELLERS

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 of the 105th Congress, appointed as tellers on the part of the House to count the electoral votes, Messrs. THOMAS and GEJDENSON.

¶2.10 RECESS—12:09 P.M.

The SPEAKER, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 12 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m. until approximately 12:55 p.m.

¶2.11 AFTER RECESS—12:59 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶2.12 ELECTORAL VOTES FOR PRESIDENT  
AND VICE PRESIDENT

At 1 o'clock p.m., pursuant to law and Senate Concurrent Resolution 1, adopted on January 7, 1997, the Senate attended in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The VICE PRESIDENT took the Speaker's chair as Presiding Officer, the SPEAKER, Mr. GINGRICH, being seated at his left, and the Senators took seats assigned them to the right of the presiding officer.

At 1 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m., the VICE PRESIDENT called the joint session to order and said:

"Mr. Speaker and Members of Congress, the Senate and the House of Representatives, pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and the laws of the United States, are meeting in joint session for the purpose of opening the certificates and ascertaining and counting the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President.

"Under well-established precedents, unless a motion shall be made in any case, the reading of the formal portions of the certificates will be dispensed with. After ascertainment has been had that the certificates are authentic and correct in form, the tellers will count and make a list of the votes cast by the electors of the several States."

The tellers, Mr. WARNER and Mr. FORD on the part of the Senate and

Mr. THOMAS and Mr. GEJDENSON on the part of the House, took their places at the desk.

The tellers on the part of the Senate and the House, having taken their places at the Clerk's desk, the VICE PRESIDENT, in the presence of the two Houses of Congress, opened and presented in alphabetical order of the States certificates and papers purporting to be certificates of electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States for the term beginning January 20, 1997.

The tellers, having read all the certificates of the several States in the presence and hearing of the two houses, and having made a list of the same as they appeared from the said certificates, submitted to the Vice President, the following report in writing:

The whole number of electors appointed to vote for President of the United States is 538, of which a majority is 270.

BILL CLINTON, of the State of Arkansas, has received for President of the United States 379 votes.

BOB DOLE, of the State of Kansas, has received 159 votes.

The state of the vote for Vice President of the United States, as delivered to the President of the United States is 538, of which a majority is 270.

AL GORE, of the State of Tennessee, has received for Vice President of the United States 379 votes.

JACK KEMP, of the State of New York, has received 159 votes.

Electoral votes of each State	States	For President		For Vice President	
		Bill Clinton	Bob Dole	Al Gore	Jack Kemp
9	Alabama		9		9
3	Alaska		3		3
8	Arizona	8		8	
6	Arkansas	6		6	
54	California	54		54	
8	Colorado		8		8
8	Connecticut	8		8	
3	Delaware	3		3	
3	District of Columbia	3		3	
25	Florida		25		25
13	Georgia		13		13
4	Hawaii	4		4	
4	Idaho		4		4
22	Illinois	22		22	
12	Indiana		12		12
7	Iowa	7		7	
6	Kansas		6		6
8	Kentucky	8		8	
9	Louisiana	9		9	
4	Maine	4		4	
10	Maryland	10		10	
12	Massachusetts	12		12	
18	Michigan	18		18	
10	Minnesota	10		10	
7	Mississippi		7		7
11	Missouri	11		11	
3	Montana		3		3
5	Nebraska		5		5
4	Nevada	4		4	
4	New Hampshire	4		4	
15	New Jersey	15		15	
5	New Mexico	5		5	
33	New York	33		33	
14	North Carolina		14		14
3	North Dakota		3		3
21	Ohio	21		21	
8	Oklahoma		8		8
7	Oregon	7		7	
23	Pennsylvania	23		23	
4	Rhode Island	4		4	
8	South Carolina		8		8
3	South Dakota		3		3
11	Tennessee	11		11	
32	Texas		32		32
5	Utah		5		5
3	Vermont	3		3	
13	Virginia		13		13
11	Washington	11		11	
5	West Virginia	5		5	
11	Wisconsin	11		11	
3	Wyoming		3		3