

By Mr. SOLOMON:

H. Res. 43. Resolution electing Representative RAY LAHOOD of Illinois to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; considered and agreed to.

7.16 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII:

Mr. PETRI introduced a bill (H.R. 654) for the relief of Thomas McDermott, Sr.; which was referred to the Committee on Resources.

7.17 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 84: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 99: Mr. METCALF and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 126: Mr. TIAHRT and Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 131: Mr. SHADEGG and Mr. TIAHRT.

H.R. 132: Mr. STEARNS and Mr. MANZULLO.

H.R. 137: Mr. BEREUTER.

H.R. 165: Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 192: Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. MCCREERY, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. TIAHRT.

H.R. 216: Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. STOKES, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. McNULTY, and Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 306: Mr. JACKSON and Mr. HORN.

H.R. 373: Mr. JACKSON, Mr. SERRANO, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mrs. CLAYTON, and Mr. UNDERWOOD.

H.R. 414: Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. MCCREERY, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mrs. KAPTUR, and Mr. TIAHRT.

H.R. 446: Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HULSHOF, and Mr. FOLEY.

H.R. 493: Mr. LEACH, Mr. LUTHER, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 554: Mr. LATHAM.

H.R. 586: Mr. BARR of Georgia and Ms. MOLINARI.

H.J. Res. 28: Mr. CRANE, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. GREEN, and Mr. McNULTY.

H. Con. Res. 13: Mrs. CLAYTON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. STARK, and Mr. MASCARA.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1997 (8)

8.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 10, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable MAC COLLINS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

8.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 6, 1997.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

8.3 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

1670. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Importation of Fresh Hass

Avocado Fruit Grown in Michoacan, Mexico [Docket No. 94-116-5] (RIN: 0579-AA84) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1671. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Ports Designated for the Exportation of Animals; Georgia [Docket No. 96-054-2] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1672. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Tobacco-Tobacco Loan Program, Importer Assessments (Commodity Credit Corporation) (RIN: 0560-AD93) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1673. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Consumer Service, transmitting the Service's "Major" final rule—Child and Adult Care Food Program Improved Targeting of Day Care Home Reimbursements; Correction and Extension of Comment Period (RIN: 0584-AC42) received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1674. A letter from the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals of budget authority as of January 1, 1997, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 685(e) (H. Doc. No. 105-42); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

1675. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Application of Berry Amendment [DFARS Case 96-D333] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

1676. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of the final report as required by the Mexican Debt Disclosure Act of 1995, pursuant to Public Law 104-6, section 404(a) (109 Stat. 90); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1677. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Regulation H, Expanded Examination Cycle for Certain Small Insured Institutions [Docket No. R-0957] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1678. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Public Housing Management Assessment Program [Docket No. FR-3447-1-03] (RIN: 2577-AA89) received February 3, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1679. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Fiscal Year 1997 Portfolio Reengineering Demonstration Program Guidelines [Docket No. FR-4162-N-01] received February 3, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1680. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Loan Guaranty; Flood Insurance Requirements (RIN: 2900-AH63) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1681. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United

States, transmitting a report involving United States exports to Algeria, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3)(i); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1682. A letter from the Director of the Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Forms, Instructions, and Reports (RIN: 3064-AB89) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1683. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting the Office's final rule—Expanded Examination Cycle for Certain Small Insured Institutions [Docket No. 96-114] (RIN: 1550-AB02) received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1684. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting final regulations—The State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f) GEPA Sec. 437(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1685. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1686. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1687. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Reporting Occupational Injury and Illness Data to OSHA [Docket No. R-02] (RIN: 1218-AB24) received February 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1688. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 96-54: Exempting the United States Air Force's operating location near Groom Lake, Nevada, from any Federal, State, interstate, or local hazardous or solid waste laws that might require the disclosure of classified information concerning that operating location to unauthorized persons, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6961; to the Committee on Commerce.

1689. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Substituted Cyclohexyldiamino Ethyl Esters; Revocation of a Significant New Use Rule [OPPTS-50598B; FRL-5580-5] received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1690. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Illinois [IL154-1a; FRL-5685-7] received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1691. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Illinois [IL153-1a; FRL-5685-1] received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1692. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Land

Disposal Restrictions: Correction of Tables Treatment Standards for Hazardous Wastes and Universal Treatment Standards [FRL-5681-4] received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1693. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Parts 74, 78, 101 of the Commission's Rules to Adopt More Flexible Standards for Directional Microwave Antennas [ET Docket No. 96-35] received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1694. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of Section 402(b)(1)(A) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 [CC Docket No. 96-187] received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1695. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Belview, Minnesota) [MM Docket No. 96-209 RM-8885] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1696. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of Section 203 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Broadcast License Terms) [MM Docket No. 96-90] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1697. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Avra Valley, Comobabi, Florence, Oracle, Oro Valley, and San Carlos, Arizona) [MM Docket No. 95-127 RM-8676 RM-8726] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1698. A letter from the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Disclosures Regarding Energy Consumption and Water Use of Certain Home Appliances and Other Products Required Under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act ("Appliance Labeling Rule") [16 CFR Part 305] received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1699. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Food Labeling: Health Claims; Oats and Coronary Heart Disease [Docket No. 95P-0197] (RIN: 0910-AA19) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1700. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Investigational Device Exemptions; Intraocular Lenses [Docket No. 91N-0292] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1701. A letter from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Fissile Material Shipments and Exemptions [10 CFR Part 71] (RIN: 3150-AF58) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1702. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule—Disclosure of Accounting Policies for Derivative

Financial Instruments and Derivative Commodity Instruments and Disclosure of Quantitative and Qualitative Information About Market Risk Inherent in Derivative Financial Instruments, Other Financial Instruments, and Derivative Commodity Instruments [Release Nos. 33-7386; 34-38223; IC-22487; FR-48] (RIN: 3235-AG42, 3235-AG77) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1703. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the Federal Government frequency assignments in the 4635-4660 MHz frequency band have been withdrawn by NTIA in compliance with section 114 of the Act, pursuant to title VI of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (H. Doc. No. 105-43); to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed.

1704. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a report containing an analysis and description of services performed by full-time U.S. Government employees during fiscal year 1996 who are performing services for which reimbursement is provided under section 21(a) or section 43(b), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2765(a)(6); to the Committee on International Relations.

1705. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Report on U.S. Government Assistance to and Cooperative Activities with the New Independent States of the Former Soviet Union," pursuant to Public Law 102-511, section 104; to the Committee on International Relations.

1706. A letter from the Chairman Pro Tempore, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-512, "Recorder of Deeds Recordation Surcharge Amendment Act of 1996" received February 6, 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1707. A letter from the Chairman Pro Tempore, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-526, "Alcohol Beverage Control Act Private Club Exception Amendment Act of 1996" received February 6, 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1708. A letter from the Chairman Pro Tempore, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-526, "Procurement Reform Amendment Act of 1996" received February 6, 1997, pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1709. A letter from the Senior Vice President and CFO, Potomac Electric Power Co., transmitting a copy of the balance sheet of Potomac Electric Power Co. as of December 31, 1996, pursuant to D.C. Code, section 43-513; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1710. A letter from the Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, transmitting the annual management report and the 1996 annual report, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1711. A letter from the Chairman, Board of Directors, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1, 1996, through September 30, 1996; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1712. A letter from the Chair, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Department of Justice, transmitting a copy of the annual

report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1713. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting the Authority's report entitled "District of Columbia's Procurement System"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1714. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting the Authority's report entitled "D.C. Unfunded Pension Liability; Major Findings and Recommendations"; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1715. A letter from the Administrator, Panama Canal Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1716. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Badlands National Park, Commercial Vehicles (National Park Service) [36 CFR Part 7] (RIN: 1024-AC30) received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

1717. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Final Regulations [Docket No. 960712192-6192-01] (RIN: 0648-AD85) received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

1718. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Comprehensive Methamphetamine Control Act of 1996; Possession of List I Chemicals, Definitions, Record Retention, and Temporary Exemption from Chemical Registration for Distributors of Combination Ephedrine Products (Drug Enforcement Administration) [DEA Number 1541] (RIN: 1117-AA42) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1719. A letter from the Chief Executive Officer, Little League Baseball Incorporated, transmitting the Organization's annual report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1084(b); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1720. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Paralyzed Veterans of America, transmitting a copy of the annual audit report of the Paralyzed Veterans of America for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1996, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1166; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1721. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Patent and Trademark Office, transmitting the Office's final rule—Interim Guidelines for the Examination of Claims Directed to Species of Chemical Compositions Based Upon a Single Prior Act Reference [Docket No. 970129014-7014-01] (RIN: 0651-xx09) received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1722. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—National Freight Transportation Policy [Docket No. OST-96-1188] (RIN: 2105-ZZ00) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1723. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Seaway Regulations and Rules: Great Lakes Pilotage Rates (Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation) (RIN: 2135-AA08) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1724. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's first report on the drinking water infrastructure needs survey, pursuant to Public Law 104-182; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1725. A letter from the Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Household Goods Tariffs [STB Ex Parte No. 555] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1726. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Dependency and Income [38 CFR Part 3] (RIN: 2900-AI47) received February 5, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1727. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Spouse and Surviving Spouse [38 CFR Part 3] (RIN: 2900-AI36) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1728. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Deposits of Excise Taxes [Notice 97-151] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1729. A letter from the Director, Congressional Budget Office, transmitting the CBO's sequestration preview report for fiscal year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-587); jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget.

1730. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting notification that the Department of Health and Human Services is allotting emergency funds made available under section 2606(e) of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 to all States, tribes, and territories, pursuant to section 2604(g) of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981; jointly, to the Committees on Commerce and Education and the Workforce.

1731. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting a report on deliveries under section 540 of Public Law 104-107 to the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina, pursuant to Public Law 104-107, section 540(c) (110 Stat. 736); jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

8.4 MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mrs. Sara Emery, one of his secretaries.

8.5 COMMITTEE RESIGNATION—MAJORITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, laid before the House the following communication, which was read as follows:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 4, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker, House of Representatives.
DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby resign my appointment to the House Veterans' Affairs Committee.
Sincerely,

DUNCAN HUNTER,
Member of Congress.

By unanimous consent, the resignation was accepted.

8.6 JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, laid before the House the following communication, which was read as follows:

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 5, 1997.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker, House of Representatives, the Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I am forwarding to you the Committee's recommendations for certain designations required by law for the 105th Congress.

First, pursuant to Section 8002 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Committee designated the following members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation for the 105th Congress: Mr. Archer, Mr. Crane, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rangel, and Mr. Stark.

Second, pursuant to Section 161 of the Trade Act of 1974, the Committee recommended the following members to serve as official advisors for international conference meetings and negotiating sessions on trade agreements: Mr. Archer, Mr. Crane, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rangel, and Mr. Matsui.

With best personal regards, I am
Sincerely,

BILL ARCHER,
Chairman.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments to the Joint Committee on Taxation.

8.7 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND TRADE AGREEMENTS ADVISERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, by unanimous consent, announced the Speaker's selection, pursuant to the provisions of section 161(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2211) and upon the recommendation of the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, the following Members of the committee to be accredited by the President as official advisers to the United States delegations to international conferences, meetings, and negotiation sessions relating to trade agreements during the first session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress: Messrs. ARCHER, CRANE, THOMAS, RANGEL and MATSUI.

8.8 PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, by unanimous consent, announced that pursuant to the provisions of clause 1 of rule XLVIII and clause 6(f) of rule X, the Speaker appointed to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence the following Members: Messrs. YOUNG of Florida, LEWIS of California, SHUSTER, MCCOLLUM, CASTLE, BOEHLERT, BASS, GIBBONS, DICKS, DIXON, SKAGGS, Ms. PELOSI, and HARMAN.

8.9 COMMITTEE ELECTION—MINORITY

Mr. UNDERWOOD, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 44):

Resolved, that the following named Member be, and is hereby, elected to the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

To the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Mr. HOWARD L. BERMAN of California.

When said resolution was considered and agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

8.10 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—DESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT CLERK

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 10, 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. Julie Perrier 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.
With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives.

8.11 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—ECONOMIC REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

Four years ago, we began a journey to change the course of the American economy. We wanted this country to go into the 21st century as a Nation in which every American who was willing to work for it could have a chance—not a guarantee, but a real chance—at the American dream. We have worked hard to achieve that goal, and today our economy is stronger than it has been in decades.

The Economic Record

The challenge we faced in January 1993 was to put the economy on a new course of fiscal responsibility while continuing to invest in our future. In the last 4 years, the unemployment rate has come down by nearly a third: from 7.5 percent to 5.4 percent. The economy has created 11.2 million new jobs, and over two-thirds of recent employment growth has been in industry/occupation groups paying above-median wages. Over the past 4 years inflation has averaged 2.8 percent, lower than in any Administration since John F. Kennedy was President. The combination of unemployment and infla-

tion is the lowest it has been in three decades. And business investment has grown more than 11 percent per year—its fastest pace since the early 1960s.

As the economy has grown, the fruits of that growth are being shared more equitably among all Americans. Between 1993 and 1995 the poverty rate fell from 15.1 percent to 13.8 percent—the largest 2-year drop in over 20 years. Poverty rates among the elderly and among African-Americans are at the lowest level since these data were first collected in 1959. And real median family income has risen by \$1,600—the largest growth rate since the Administration of President Johnson.

The Economic Agenda

Our comprehensive economic agenda has helped put America's economy back on the right track. This agenda includes:

Historic Deficit Reduction. Since the 1992 fiscal year, the Federal budget deficit has been cut by 63 percent—from \$290 billion to \$107 billion in fiscal 1996. As a percentage of the Nation's gross domestic product, the deficit has fallen over the same period from 4.7 percent to 1.4 percent, and it is now the lowest it has been in more than 20 years. In 1992 the budget deficit for all levels of government was larger in relation to our economy than those of Japan and Germany were to theirs. Now the deficit is smaller by that same measure than in any other major industrialized economy. And this Administration has proposed a plan that balances the budget by 2002, while protecting critical investments in America's future.

Investments in Education and Technology. Deficit reduction remains a priority, but it is not an end in itself. Balancing the budget by cutting investments in education, or by failing to give adequate support to science and technology, could actually slow economic growth. To succeed in the new global economy, our children must receive a world-class education. Every child in America should be able to read by the age of 8, log onto the Internet by the age of 12, and receive at least 14 years of quality education: 2 years of college should become as universal as high school is today. And we must make sure that every child who wants to go to college has the resources to do so.

Expanding Markets. We have aggressively sought to expand exports and open markets abroad. In the past 4 years we have achieved two major trade agreements: The North American Free Trade Agreement and the Uruguay round accord of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which established the World Trade Organization. Members of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum and the proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas have committed to establishing free trade among themselves by 2020 and 2005, respectively. And we have opened new markets abroad by signing more than 200 other important trade agreements. As a result, U.S. exports have

boomed, which means higher wages for American workers in export industries—often 13 to 16 percent higher than the rest of the workforce.

Reforming Government. The strength of the American economy lies in the energy, creativity, and determination of our citizens. Over the past 4 years we have worked hard to create an environment in which business can flourish. And as the private sector has expanded, the Federal Government has improved its efficiency and cost-effectiveness. We have energetically reformed regulations in key sectors of the economy, including telecommunications, electricity, and banking, as well as environmental regulation. And we have reduced the size of the Federal Government as a percentage of the workforce to the smallest it has been since the 1930's.

CONTINUING TO CREATE AN ECONOMY FOR THE
21ST CENTURY

America's workers are back at work and our factories are humming. Once again, America leads the world in automobile manufacturing. Our high-technology industries are the most competitive in the world. Poverty is down and real wages are at last beginning to rise. And we have laid the foundations for future long-term economic growth by reducing the deficit and investing in education.

During the past 4 years, we have worked to prepare all Americans for the challenges and opportunities of the new global economy of the 21st century. We have worked to restore fiscal discipline in our government, to expand opportunities for education and training for our children and workers, to reform welfare and encourage work, and to expand the frontiers of free trade. But there is more work to be done. We must continue to provide our citizens with the tools to make the most of their own lives so that the American dream is within the reach of every American.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 10, 1997.*

By unanimous consent, the message was referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-2).

¶18.12 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT
TO IRAQ

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COLLINS, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I hereby report to the Congress on the developments since my last report of August 14, 1996, concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq that was declared in Executive order 12722 of August 2, 1990. This report is submitted pursuant to section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

Executive Order 12722 ordered the immediate blocking of all property and

interests in property of the Government of Iraq (including the Central Bank of Iraq) then or thereafter located in the United States or within the possession or control of a United States person. That order also prohibited the importation into the United States of goods and services of Iraqi origin, as well as the exportation of goods, services, and technology from the United States to Iraq. The order prohibited travel-related transactions to or from Iraq and the performance of any contract in support of any industrial, commercial, or governmental project in Iraq. United States persons were also prohibited from granting or extending credit or loans to the Government of Iraq.

The foregoing prohibitions (as well as the blocking of Government of Iraq property) were continued and augmented on August 9, 1990, by Executive order 12724, which was issued in order to align the sanctions imposed by the United States with United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 661 of August 6, 1990.

Executive Order 12817 was issued on October 21, 1992, to implement in the United States measures adopted in UNSCR 778 of October 2, 1992. UNSCR 778 requires U.N. Member States to transfer to a U.N. escrow account any funds (up to \$200 million apiece) representing Iraqi oil sale proceeds paid by purchasers after the imposition of U.N. sanctions on Iraq, to finance Iraq's obligations for U.N. activities with respect to Iraq, such as expenses to verify Iraqi weapons destruction, and to provide humanitarian assistance in Iraq on a nonpartisan basis. A portion of the escrowed funds also finances the activities of the U.N. Compensation Commission in Geneva, which handles claims from victims of the Iraqi invasion and occupation of Kuwait. Member States also may make voluntary contributions to the account. The funds placed in the escrow account are to be returned, with interest, to the Member States that transferred them to the United Nations, as funds are received from future sales of Iraqi oil authorized by the U.N. Security Council. No Member state is required to fund more than half of the total transfers or contributions to the escrow account.

This report discusses only matters concerning the national emergency with respect to Iraq that was declared in Executive Order 12722 and matters relating to Executive Orders 12724 and 12817 (the "Executive Orders"). The report covers events from August 2, 1996 through February 1, 1997.

1. In April 1995, the U.N. Security Council adopted UNSCR 986 authorizing Iraq to export up to \$1 billion in petroleum and petroleum products per quarter for 6 months under U.N. supervision in order to finance the purchase of food, medicine, and other humanitarian supplies. This arrangement may be renewed by the Secretary Council for additional 6-month periods. UNSCR 986 includes arrangements to ensure equitable distribution of humanitarian

goods purchased with UNSCSR 986 oil revenues to all the people of Iraq. The resolution also provides for the payment of compensation to victims of Iraqi aggression and for the funding of other U.N. activities with respect to Iraq. On May 20, 1996, a memorandum of understanding was concluded between the Secretariat of the United Nations and the Government of Iraq agreeing on terms for implementing UNSCR 986. On August 8, 1996, the UNSC committee established pursuant to UNSCR 661 ("the 661 Committee") adopted procedures to be employed by the 661 Committee in implementation of UNSCR 986. On December 9, 1996, the Secretary General released the report requested by paragraph 13 of UNSCR 986, making UNSCR 986 effective as of 12:01 a.m. December 10.

2. During the reporting period, there have been three amendments to the Iraqi Sanctions Regulations, 31 C.F.R. Part 575 (the "Regulations"), administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) of the Department of the Treasury. The Regulations were amended on August 22, 1996, to add the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-132; 110 Stat. 1214-1319 (the "Antiterrorism Act")) as an authority for the Regulations (61 *Fed. Reg.* 43460, August 23, 1996). Section 321 of the Antiterrorism Act (18 U.S.C. 2332d), which I signed into law on April 24, 1996, makes it a criminal offense for United States persons, except as provided in regulations issued by the Secretary of the Treasury in consultation with the Secretary of State, to engage in financial transactions with the governments of countries designated under section 6(j) of the Export Administration Act (50 U.S.C. App. 2405) as supporting international terrorism. United States persons who engage in such transactions are subject to criminal fines under title 18, United States Code, imprisonment for up to 10 years, or both. Because the Regulations already prohibited such transactions, with minor exceptions for transactions such as donations of humanitarian aid, no substantive change to the prohibitions of the Regulations was necessary. This amendment also notes the criminal penalties that may be imposed for violations of the Antiterrorism Act and implementing regulations. A copy of the amendment is attached.

The Regulations were amended on October 21, 1996 (61 *Fed. Reg.* 54936, October 23, 1996), to implement section 4 of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, by adjusting for inflation the amount of the civil monetary penalties that may be assessed under the Regulations. The Regulations, as amended, increase the maximum civil monetary penalty provided by law from \$250,000 to \$275,000 per violation.

The amended Regulations also reflect an amendment to 18 U.S.C. 1001 contained in section 330016(1)(L) of Public Law 103-322; 108 Stat. 2147. The amend-

ment notes the availability of higher criminal fines pursuant to the formulas set forth in 18 U.S.C. 3571. A copy of the amendment is attached.

The Regulations were amended on December 10, 1996, to provide a statement of licensing policy regarding specific licensing of United States persons seeking to purchase Iraqi-origin petroleum and petroleum products from Iraq (61 *Fed. Reg.* 65312, December 11, 1996). Statements of licensing policy were also provided regarding sales of essential parts and equipment for the Kirkuk-Yumurtalik pipeline system, and sales of humanitarian goods to Iraq, pursuant to United Nations approval. A general license was also added to authorize dealings in Iraqi-origin petroleum and petroleum products that have been exported from Iraq with United Nations and United States Government approval. The rule also added definitions and made technical amendments. A copy of the amendment is attached.

All executory contracts must contain terms requiring that all proceeds of oil purchases from the Government of Iraq, including the State Oil Marketing Organization must be placed in the U.N. escrow account at Banque Nationale de Paris, New York (the "986 Escrow Account"), and all Iraqi payments for authorized sales of pipeline parts and equipment, humanitarian goods, and incidental transaction costs borne by Iraq will, upon approval by the UNSC committee established pursuant to the 661 Committee, be paid or payable out of the 986 Escrow Account.

3. Investigations of possible violations of the Iraqi sanctions continue to be pursued and appropriate enforcement actions taken. Several cases from prior reporting periods are continuing and recent additional allegations have been referred by OFAC to the U.S. Customs Service for investigation. Several OFAC civil penalty proceedings are pending. Investigation also continues into the roles played by various individuals and firms outside Iraq in the Iraqi government procurement network. These investigations may lead to additions to OFAC's listing of individuals and organizations determined to be Specially Designated Nationals (SDNs) of the Government of Iraq.

Since my last report, three civil monetary penalties totaling \$102,250 have been collected from one financial institution and two individuals for violation of the prohibitions against transactions with Iraq. Additional administrative procedures have been initiated and others await commencement.

4. Pursuant to Executive Order 12817 implementing UNSCR 778, on October 26, 1992, OFAC directed the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to establish a blocked account for receipt of certain post-August 6, 1990, Iraqi oil sales proceeds, and to hold, invest, and transfer these funds as required by the Order. On December 13, 1996, OFAC directed the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to transfer the interest accrued on the

blocked account to the U.N. escrow account established pursuant to UNSCR 778, to match contributions in excess of \$30 million by other countries.

5. The Office of Foreign Assets Control has issued a total of 653 specific licenses regarding transactions pertaining to Iraq and Iraqi assets since August 1990. Licenses have been issued for transactions such as the filing of legal actions against Iraqi governmental entities, legal representation of Iraq, and the exportation of donated medicine, medical supplies, and food intended for humanitarian relief purposes, the execution of powers of attorney relating to the administration of personal assets and decedents' estates in Iraq and the protection of preexistent intellectual property rights in Iraq. Since my last report, 23 specific licenses have been issued.

6. The expenses incurred by the Federal Government in the 6-month period from August 2, 1996, through February 1, 1997, that are directly attributable to the exercise of powers and authorities conferred by the declaration of a national emergency with respect to Iraq are reported to be about \$1 million, most of which represents wage and salary costs for Federal personnel. Personnel costs were largely centered in the Department of the Treasury (particularly in the Office of Foreign Assets Control, the U.S. Customs Service, the Office of the Under Secretary for Enforcement, and the Office of the General Counsel), the Department of State (particularly the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, the Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, the Bureau of International Organization Affairs, the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, and the Office of the Legal Adviser), and the Department of Transportation (particularly the U.S. Coast Guard).

7. The United States imposed economic sanctions on Iraq in response to Iraq's illegal invasion and occupation of Kuwait, a clear act of brutal aggression. The United States, together with the international community, is maintaining economic sanctions against Iraq because the Iraqi regime has failed to comply fully with United Nations Security Council resolutions. Security Council resolutions on Iraq call for the elimination of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, Iraqi recognition of Kuwait and the inviolability of the Iraq-Kuwait boundary, the release of Kuwaiti and other third-country nationals, compensation for victims of Iraqi aggression, long-term monitoring of weapons of mass destruction capabilities, the return of Kuwaiti assets stolen during Iraq's illegal occupation of Kuwait, renunciation of terrorism, an end to internal Iraqi repression of its own civilian population, and the facilitation of access of international relief organizations to all those in need in all parts of Iraq. Six years after the invasion, a pattern of defiance persists: a refusal to account for missing Kuwaiti detainees; failure to return Kuwaiti property worth millions of dollars, in-

cluding military equipment that was used by Iraq in its movement of troops to the Kuwaiti border in October 1994; sponsorship of assassinations in Lebanon and in northern Iraq; incomplete declarations to weapons inspectors and refusal of unimpeded access; and ongoing widespread human rights violations. As a result, the U.N. sanctions remain in place; the United States will continue to enforce those sanctions under domestic authority.

The Bagdad government continues to violate basic human rights of its own citizens through systemic repression of minorities and denial of humanitarian assistance. The Government of Iraq has repeatedly said it will not be bound by UNSCR 688. The Iraqi military routinely harasses residents of the north, and has attempted to "Abrabize" the Kurdish, Turcomen, and Assyrian areas in the north. Iraq has not relented in its artillery attacks against civilian population centers in the south, or in its burning and draining operations in the southern marshes, which have forced thousands to flee to neighboring states.

The policies and actions of the Saddam Hussein regime continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States, as well as to regional peace and security. The U.N. resolutions affirm that the Security Council must be assured of Iraq's peaceful intentions in judging its compliance with sanctions. Because of Iraq's failure to comply fully with these resolutions, the United States will continue to apply economic sanctions to deter it from threatening peace and stability in the region.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 10, 1997.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105-41).

And then,

¶8.13 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. WOLF, pursuant to the special order agreed to on February 6, 1997, at 3 o'clock and 1 minute p.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 1997.

¶8.14 DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to section 518A(e)(5)(A) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997, as contained in section 101(c) of the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, 1997:

H.J. Res. 36. Approving the Presidential finding that the limitation on obligations imposed by section 518A(a) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1997, is having a negative impact on the proper functioning of the population planning program.

Committee on Appropriations discharged from further consideration. Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶8.15 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado:

H.R. 655. A bill to give all American electricity consumers the right to choose among competitive providers of electricity, in order to secure lower electricity rates, higher quality services, and a more robust U.S. economy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. BACHUS (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, of Alaska, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. MICA, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. MCCOLLUM, and Mr. LATOURETTE):

H.R. 656. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that distributions from qualified State tuition programs which are used to pay educational expenses shall not be includible in gross income and to include as such expenses the cost of room and board; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BALDACCI:

H.R. 657. A bill to establish a National Center for Rural Law Enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 658. A bill to provide for the conveyance to the city of Bangor, ME, of unused military family housing located in the city; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. BURR of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. BACHUS, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. FROST, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. EWING, Mr. COBURN and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 659. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 to clarify the listing of a unique chemical substance; to the Committee on Commerce, 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 Mr. CANADY of Florida:

H.R. 660. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to allow an interlocutory appeal from a court order determining whether an action may be maintained as a class action; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGLEY:

H.R. 661. A bill to make a technical correction to section 214(h) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mrs. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 662. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act relating to fulfillment by elderly persons of the requirements for naturalization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 663. A bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide for an exception to limited eligibility for the supplemental security income program for permanent resident aliens; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut):

H.R. 664. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, relating to the installation of

emergency locator transmitters on aircraft; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SOLOMON:

H.R. 665. A bill to provide for the award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal to members of the Armed Forces who participate in Operation Joint Endeavor or Operation Joint Guard in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina; to the Committee on National Security.

By Ms. CHRISTENSEN:

H.J. Res. 46. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GEPHARDT (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. CAPP, and Mr. GORDON):

H.J. Res. 47. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit campaign spending; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGLEY (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BALLENGER, and Mr. HOUGHTON):

H. Con. Res. 17. Concurrent resolution congratulating the people of Guatemala on the success of the recent negotiations to establish a peace process for Guatemala; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. UNDERWOOD:

H. Res. 44. Resolution designating minority membership on certain standing committees of the House; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HALL of Ohio (for himself, Mr. WOLF, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mrs. MORELLA, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. PORTER):

H. Res. 45. Resolution to honor 1996 Nobel Peace Prize recipients Bishop Carlos Felipe Ximenes Belo and Jose Ramos-Horta, and to express support for the process of building a just and lasting peace in East Timor; to the Committee on International Relations.

¶8.16 MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

16. By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, relative to House Concurrent Resolution 4: requesting the Congress of the United States to submit to the States for ratification a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

17. Also, memorial of the Senate of the State of New Jersey, relative to Senate Resolution No. 72: urging the President and the Congress of the United States to reauthorize the Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, and to insure that the respective Federal funding amounts for highway and mass transportation are not reduced below current levels; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

¶8.17 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 1: Mr. KLUG, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. COBLE, Mr. HANSEN, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. DELAY, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BOB SCHAEFFER, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. SMITH of Michigan,

Mr. DREIER, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, and Mr. SNOWBARGER.

H.R. 40: Mr. FORD, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 55: Mr. KING of New York, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. WALSH.

H.R. 58: Ms. STABENOW, Mr. COBURN, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DIXON, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. FROST.

H.R. 96: Mr. ENSIGN.

H.R. 113: Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.

H.R. 292: Mr. STEARNS and Mr. OXLEY.

H.R. 367: Mr. LEACH, Mr. FROST, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. POSHARD, Ms. NORTON, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. STEARNS, and Mr. PACKARD.

H.R. 426: Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, and Mr. WOLF.

H.R. 471: Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Mr. BRYANT, Mr. HORN, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. SHUSTER, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. PITTS, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

H.R. 475: Mr. STEARNS and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 498: Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. PETRI.

H.R. 500: Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. HORN, and Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 600: Mr. STARK, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 604: Mr. CANNON.

H.R. 625: Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H.R. 635: Mr. POSHARD, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. EVANS.

H.R. 647: Mr. PORTER.

H.J. Res. 1: Ms. DUNN of Washington.

H.J. Res. 27: Mr. SMITH of Michigan.

H. Con. Res. 13: Mrs. LOWEY and Mr. FARR of California.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1997 (9)

¶9.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of Florida, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 11, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable DAN MILLER to act as Speaker pro tempore for this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 21, 1997, Members were recognized for "morning-hour debate".

¶9.2 RECESS—12:49 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MILLER of Florida, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 o'clock p.m.

¶9.3 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

¶9.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of

the proceedings of Monday, February 10, 1997.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶9.5 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

1732. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Glufosinate Ammonium; Tolerances for Residues (FRL 5585-8) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1733. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Sale of HUD-Held Single Family Mortgages [Docket No. FR-3814-F-04] (RIN: 2502-AG42) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1734. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Hamilton County, Tennessee [TN-178-1-9707a; FRL-5682-9] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1735. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Tennessee and Memphis-Shelby County, Tennessee [TN-155-1-7178; TN-MEM-149-3-9701; FRL-5669-3] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1736. A letter from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Modification of the Ozone Monitoring Season; Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi [FRL-5683-4] received February 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1737. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Clean Air Approval and Promulgation of Carbon Monoxide Implementation Plan for the State of Alaska: Anchorage and Fairbanks Emission Inventory (FRL 5686-2) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1738. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Indiana (FRL 5678-5) received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1739. A letter from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Changes in the Operator Licensing Program [NRC Generic Letter 95-06, Supplement 1] received February 6, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

1740. A letter from the Senior Attorney, United States Copyright Office, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1741. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting

the Department's final rule—Reemployment Rights of Certain Merchant Seamen (Maritime Administration) [Docket No. R 169] (RIN: 2133-AB28) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1742. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Operational Measures to Reduce Oil Spills from Existing Tank Vessels Without Double Hulls (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 91-045] (RIN: 2115-AE01) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1743. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Local Regulations; Hillsborough Bay; Tampa, FL (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD07-96-074] (RIN: 2115-AE46) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1744. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, FL (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD07-96-054] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1745. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Facilities Transferring Oil or Hazardous Materials in Bulk (U.S. Coast Guard) [CGD 93-056] (RIN: 2115-AE59) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1746. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone Regulations; Southeast end of Vieques Island, PR (U.S. Coast Guard) [COTP San Juan 96-077] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received February 4, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

¶9.6 GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The SPEAKER, pursuant to section 103, Public Law 99-371 (20 U.S.C. 4303), appointed to the Board of Trustees of Gallaudet University, Mr. LAHOOD, on the part of the House.

¶9.7 HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

The SPEAKER, pursuant to the provisions of section 5(b) of Public Law 93-642 (20 U.S.C. 2004(b)), appointed as members of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation, Mrs. EMERSON and Mr. SKELTON, on the part of the House.

¶9.8 MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

¶9.9 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—IMPOUNDMENT CONTROL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LATOURETTE, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act