

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 4, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

13.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, March 3, 1998.

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

13.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

7686. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Walnuts Grown in California; Decreased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV97-984-1 FIR] received February 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7687. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his requests for FY 1998 supplemental appropriations and FY 1999 budget amendments to address emergency funding needs related to the situation in Bosnia and in Southwest Asia as well as to natural disasters in the United States; and to designate these requests as emergency requirements pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107; (H. Doc. No. 105-220); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

7688. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the report to Congress for Department of Defense purchases from foreign entities in fiscal year 1997, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 827 (110 Stat. 2611); to the Committee on National Security.

7689. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report that the Department has not authorized any category of merchandise to be sold in, at, or by commissary stores, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2486(b)(11); to the Committee on National Security.

7690. A letter from the Director, Selective Service System, transmitting a report on the operation of the system for fiscal year 1997, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. app. 460(g); to the Committee on National Security.

7691. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting the semiannual report on tied aid credits, pursuant to Public Law 99-472, section 19 (100 Stat. 1207); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

7692. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the 1997 annual report on the Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2541-1(i); to the Committee on Commerce.

7693. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Extralabel Animal Drug Use; Fluoroquinolones and Glycopeptides; Order of Prohibition [Docket No. 97N-0172] received March 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

7694. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-271, "Suspension of Liquor Licenses Amendment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code

section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7695. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-272, "Make a Difference Selection Committee Establishment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7696. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-273, "Natural and Artificial Gas Gross Receipts Tax Amendment of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7697. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-276, "Commercial Mobile Telecommunication Service Tax Clarification Amendment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7698. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-268, "Unemployment Compensation Tax Stabilization Second Temporary Amendment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7699. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-270, "Testing of District Government Drivers of Commercial Motor Vehicles for Alcohol and Controlled Substances Temporary Amendment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7700. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-278, "Equal Opportunity For Local, Small, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Temporary Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7701. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 12-277, "Mortgage Lender and Broker Act of 1996 Temporary Amendment Act of 1998" received March 2, 1998, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7702. A letter from the Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, transmitting the 1996 annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. section 8G(h)(2); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7703. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Reserve System, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7704. A letter from the Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7705. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

7706. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone

Off Alaska; Offshore Component of Pollock in the Aleutian Islands Subarea [Docket No. 971208296-7296-01; I.D. 022098B] received March 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7707. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Financial Assistance for Research and Development Projects to Strengthen and Develop the U.S. Fishing Industry [Docket No. 960223046-8030-03; I.D. 012398C] (RIN: 0648-ZA09) received March 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7708. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Closure [Docket No. 970930235-8028-02; I.D. 022498A] received March 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7709. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Amendment 8 [Docket No. 970606131-8033-02; I.D. 041497C] (RIN: 0648-AG25) received March 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7710. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inshore Component Pollock in the Bering Sea Subarea [Docket No. 971208296-7296-01; I.D. 022598C] received March 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7711. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking of Ringed Seals Incidental to On-Ice Seismic Activity [Docket No. 970725179-8017-03; I.D. 071497A] (RIN: 0648-AK33) received March 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7712. A letter from the Independent Counsel, Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting the third annual report, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 598(a)(2); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

7713. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Fifteenth Annual Report of Accomplishments Under the Airport Improvement Program for the Fiscal Year 1996, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. app. 2203(b)(2); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7714. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-264-AD; Amendment 39-10169; AD 97-19-16] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7715. A letter from the Acting Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Polymers [Docket No. 97F-0336] received February 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7716. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the