

# JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

Begun and held at the Capitol, in the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Wednesday, the sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-nine, being the *first session* of the ONE HUNDRED SIXTH CONGRESS, held under the Constitution of the United States, and in the two hundred and twenty third year of the independence of the United States.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1999 (1)

#### ¶1.1 CALL OF THE ROLL

On which day, being the day fixed by the 20th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Public Law 105-350, Mr. Jeffrey J. Trandahl, Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 26, at noon, called the House to order and, by unanimous consent, announced a call by states of the roll, by electronic device, of the Members-elect whose credentials had been received, when the following Members-elect responded:

#### ¶1.2 [Roll No. 1] ANSWERED "PRESENT"—427

		CONNECTICUT
	DeLauro Gejdenson	Johnson Larson
		Maloney Shays
		Allen
		MAINE
		Baldacci
		MARYLAND
		Bartlett Cardin Cummings
		Ehrlich Gilchrest Morella
		MASSACHUSETTS
		Capuano Delahunt Frank Markey
		McGovern Meehan Moakley Neal
		MICHIGAN
		Bonior Camp Conyers Dingell Ehlers
		Hoekstra Kildee Kilpatrick Knollenberg Levin
		Rivers Smith Stabenow Stupak Upton
		MINNESOTA
		Gutknecht Luther Minge
		Oberstar Peterson Ramstad
		MISSISSIPPI
		Pickering Shows
		Taylor Thompson
		MISSOURI
		Blunt Clay Danner
		Emerson Gephardt Hulshof
		McCarthy Skelton Talent
		MONTANA
		Hill
		NEBRASKA
		Barrett
		Bereuter
		Terry
		NEVADA
		Berkley
		Gibbons
		NEW HAMPSHIRE
		Bass
		Sununu
		NEW JERSEY
		Andrews Franks Frelinghuysen Holt LoBiondo
		Menendez Pallone Pascrell Payne Rothman
		Roukema Saxton Smith
		NEW MEXICO
		Fletcher Lewis
		Rogers Whitfield
		Skeen
		Udall
		Wilson
		NEW YORK
		Ackerman Boehlert Crowley
		Engel Forbes Fossella
		Gilman Hinchev Houghton
ALABAMA	Cramer Everett Hilliard	Riley
Aderholt Bachus Callahan		Abercrombie
ALASKA		Chenoweth
	Young	
ARIZONA	Pastor Salmon	Shadegg Stump
Hayworth Kolbe		
ARKANSAS	Hutchinson Snyder	
Berry Dickey		
CALIFORNIA	Herger Horn Hunter Kuykendall Lantos Lee Lewis Lofgren Martinez Matsui McKeon Millender- McDonald Miller Napolitano Ose Packard	Pelosi Pombo Radanovich Rogan Rohrabacher Roybal-Allard Royce Sanchez Sherman Tauscher Thomas Thompson Waters Waxman Woolsey
Becerra Berman Bilbray Bono Brown Calvert Campbell Capps Condit Cox Cunningham Dixon Dooley Doolittle Dreier Eshoo Filner		Burton Buyer Carson Hill
		Boswell Ganske
		Moore Moran
		Fletcher Lewis
DeGette Hefley	McInnis Schaffer	Tancredo Udall
CONNECTICUT	Johnson Larson	Maloney Shays
DELAWARE	Castle	
FLORIDA	Fowler Goss Hastings McCollum Meeke Mica Miller Ros-Lehtinen	Scarborough Shaw Stearns Thurman Weldon Wexler Young
Bilirakis Boyd Brown Canady Davis Deutsch Diaz-Balart Foley		
GEORGIA	Deal Kingston Lewis Linder	McKinney Norwood
Barr Bishop Chambliss Collins		
HAWAII	Mink	
IDAHO	Simpson	
ILLINOIS	Gutierrez Hastert Hyde Jackson LaHood Lipinski Manzullo	Phelps Porter Rush Schakowsky Shimkus Weller
Biggert Blagojevich Costello Crane Davis Evans Ewing		
INDIANA	Hostettler McIntosh Pease Roemer	Souder Visclosky
Burton Buyer Carson Hill		
IOWA	Latham Leach	Nussle
Boswell Ganske		
KANSAS	Ryun Tiahrt	
Moore Moran		
KENTUCKY	Lucas Northup	Rogers Whitfield
Fletcher Lewis		
LOUISIANA	John Livingston McCrery	Tauzin
Baker Cooksey Jefferson		

Kelly	McNulty	Slaughter
King	Meeks	Sweeney
LaFalce	Nader	Towns
Lazio	Owens	Velazquez
Lowe	Quinn	Walsh
Maloney	Rangel	Weiner
McCarthy	Reynolds	
McHugh	Serrano	

**NORTH CAROLINA**

Ballenger	Etheridge	Myrick
Burr	Hayes	Price
Clayton	Jones	Taylor
Coble	McIntyre	Watt

**NORTH DAKOTA**

Pomeroy

**OHIO**

Boehner	Kaptur	Pryce
Brown	Kasich	Regula
Chabot	Kucinich	Sawyer
Gillmor	LaTourette	Strickland
Hall	Ney	Traficant
Hobson	Oxley	
Jones	Portman	

**OKLAHOMA**

Coburn	Largent	Watkins
Istook	Lucas	Watts

**OREGON**

Blumenauer	Hooley	Wu
DeFazio	Walden	

**PENNSYLVANIA**

Borski	Goodling	Murtha
Brady	Greenwood	Peterson
Coyne	Hoeffel	Pitts
Doyle	Holden	Sherwood
English	Kanjorski	Shuster
Fattah	Klink	Toomey
Gekas	Mascara	Weldon

**RHODE ISLAND**

Kennedy  
Weygand

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

Clyburn	Graham	Spence
DeMint	Sanford	Spratt

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

Thune

**TENNESSEE**

Bryant	Ford	Jenkins
Clement	Gordon	Tanner
Duncan	Hilleary	Wamp

**TEXAS**

Archer	Frost	Ortiz
Armey	Gonzalez	Paul
Barton	Granger	Reyes
Bentsen	Green	Rodriguez
Bonilla	Hall	Sandlin
Brady	Hinojosa	Sessions
Combest	Jackson-Lee	Smith
DeLay	Johnson, E. B.	Stenholm
Doggett	Johnson, Sam	Thornberry
Edwards	Lampson	Turner

**UTAH**

Cannon	Cook	Hansen
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**VERMONT**

Sanders

**VIRGINIA**

Bateman	Goode	Scott
Billey	Goodlatte	Sisisky
Boucher	Moran	Wolf
Davis	Pickett	

**WASHINGTON**

Baird	Hastings	Metcalf
Dicks	Inslee	Nethercutt
Dunn	McDermott	Smith

**WEST VIRGINIA**

Rahall  
Wise

**WISCONSIN**

Baldwin	Kind	Petri
Barrett	Kleczka	Ryan
Green	Obey	Sensenbrenner

**WYOMING**

Cubin

**NOT VOTING—7**

Barcia	Hoyer	Stark
Farr	Miller, George	
Gallegly	Mollohan	

The roll having been completed, the Clerk announced 427 Members had been recorded, a quorum.

**¶1.3 CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES-ELECT AND RESIDENT COMMISSIONER-ELECT**

The Clerk made the following statement: "The Chair will state that the credentials regular in form have been received showing the election of the Honorable Carlos A. Romero-Barcelo as Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico for the term of 4 years beginning January 3, 1999; the election of the Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton as Delegate from the District of Columbia; the election of the Honorable Robert A. Underwood as Delegate from Guam; the election of the Honorable Donna M. Christian-Green as Delegate from the Virgin Islands; and the election of the Honorable Eni F. H. Faleomavaega as Delegate from American Samoa".

**¶1.4 RESIGNATION OF NEWT GINGRICH AS MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

The Clerk laid before the House the following communication, which was read as follows:

WASHINGTON, DC, December 17, 1998.

Hon. ROBIN H. CARLE,  
*Clerk of the House, the Capitol, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR ROBIN: As you are no doubt aware, I have decided that I will not seek re-election in the 106th Congress as Speaker of the United States House of Representatives. In conjunction with that decision, I have notified the Governor of Georgia that I have withdrawn pursuant to Section 21-2-503 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and will not take the seat of congressman for the Sixth District of Georgia for the 106th Congress.

I will, however, complete my term as congressman for the Sixth District of Georgia for the entirety of the 105th Congress. I will also continue to serve as Speaker until the completion of the 105th Congress.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker.*

**¶1.5 ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER**

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma nominated Mr. J. Dennis Hastert, a Member-elect from the Fourteenth District of the State of Illinois.

Mr. FROST nominated Mr. Richard A. Gephardt, a Member-elect from the Third District of the State of Missouri.

The Clerk then appointed Messrs. THOMAS of California, GEJDENSON, Mmes. ROUKEMA and KAPTUR, tellers to canvas the vote on the election of the Speaker.

Whereupon, the House proceeded to vote for a Speaker.

**¶1.6 [Roll No. 2]**

**HASTERT—220**

Aderholt	Bachus	Barr
Archer	Baker	Barrett (NE)
Armey	Ballenger	Bartlett

Barton	Granger	Pickering
Bass	Green (WI)	Pitts
Bateman	Greenwood	Pombo
Bereuter	Gutknecht	Porter
Biggert	Hansen	Portman
Bilbray	Hastings (WA)	Pryce (OH)
Bilirakis	Hayes	Quinn
Billey	Hayworth	Radanovich
Blunt	Hefley	Ramstad
Boehler	Herger	Regula
Boehner	Hill (MT)	Reynolds
Bonilla	Hilleary	Riley
Bono	Hobson	Rogan
Brady (TX)	Hoekstra	Rogers
Bryant	Horn	Rohrabacher
Burr	Hostettler	Ros-Lehtinen
Burton	Houghton	Roukema
Buyer	Hulshof	Royce
Callahan	Hunter	Ryan (WI)
Calvert	Hutchinson	Ryun (KS)
Camp	Hyde	Salmon
Campbell	Istook	Sanford
Canady	Jenkins	Saxton
Cannon	Johnson (CT)	Scarborough
Castle	Johnson, Sam	Schaffer
Chabot	Jones (NC)	Sensenbrenner
Chambliss	Kasich	Sessions
Chenoweth	Kelly	Shadegg
Coble	King (NY)	Shaw
Coburn	Kingston	Shays
Collins	Knollenberg	Sherwood
Combest	Kolbe	Shimkus
Cook	Kuykendall	Shuster
Cooksey	LaHood	Simpson
Cox	Largent	Skeen
Crane	Latham	Smith (MI)
Cubin	LaTourette	Smith (NJ)
Cunningham	Lazio	Smith (TX)
Davis (VA)	Leach	Souder
Deal	Lewis (CA)	Spence
DeLay	Lewis (KY)	Stearns
DeMint	Linder	Stump
Diaz-Balart	Livingston	Sununu
Dickey	LoBiondo	Sweeney
Doolittle	Lucas (OK)	Talent
Dreier	Manzullo	Tancredo
Duncan	McCollum	Tauzin
Dunn	McCreery	Taylor (NC)
Ehlers	McHugh	Terry
Ehrlich	McInnis	Thomas
Emerson	McIntosh	Thornberry
English	McKeon	Thune
Everett	Metcalf	Tiahrt
Ewing	Mica	Toomey
Fletcher	Miller (FL)	Upton
Foley	Miller, Gary	Walden
Forbes	Moran (KS)	Walsh
Fossella	Morella	Wamp
Fowler	Myrick	Watkins
Franks (NJ)	Nethercutt	Watts (OK)
Frelinghuysen	Ney	Weldon (FL)
Ganske	Northup	Weldon (PA)
Gekas	Norwood	Weller
Gibbons	Nussle	Whitfield
Gilchrest	Ose	Wicker
Gillmor	Oxley	Wilson
Gilman	Packard	Wolf
Goodlatte	Paul	Young (AK)
Goodling	Pease	Young (FL)
Goss	Peterson (PA)	
Graham	Petri	

**GEPHARDT—205**

Abercrombie	Cardin	Edwards
Ackerman	Carson	Engel
Allen	Clay	Eshoo
Andrews	Clayton	Etheridge
Baird	Clement	Evans
Baldacci	Clyburn	Fattah
Baldwin	Condit	Filmer
Barrett (WI)	Conyers	Ford
Becerra	Costello	Frank (MA)
Bentsen	Coyne	Frost
Berkley	Cramer	Gejdenson
Berman	Crowley	Gonzalez
Berry	Cummings	Goode
Bishop	Danner	Gordon
Blagojevich	Davis (FL)	Green (TX)
Blumenauer	Davis (IL)	Gutierrez
Bonior	DeFazio	Hall (OH)
Borski	DeGette	Hall (TX)
Boswell	Delahunt	Hastings (FL)
Boucher	DeLauro	Hill (IN)
Boyd	Deutsch	Hilliard
Brady (PA)	Dicks	Hinches
Brown (CA)	Dingell	Hinojosa
Brown (FL)	Dixon	Hoeffel
Brown (OH)	Doggett	Holden
Capps	Dooley	Holt
Capuano	Doyle	Hooley