

we have begun to change the paradigm and we are going to make this Government do what they have to do every single week and every month, and that is live within their means. That is the American thing to do and the morally right thing to do.

I am proud to be a part of this Congress and part of the group of freshmen, and if we take the credit, so be it. And if we take the blame, so be it. But some day I hope that future generations of Americans will look back and say, "Finally, they had the courage to do the right thing."

Mr. SCARBOROUGH. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, I thank the gentleman. This past weekend while we were in session on Saturday, during lunch I went down and had lunch with the gentleman from Ohio [JOHN KASICH] the budget director, and what you said reminded me of our conversation when you said you do not know whether the Americans will reward us for this. You do not know whether we are going up in the polls.

I turned to Mr. KASICH and I said, "How do you think this is going to turn out?" And he said, "JOE, I don't care. That is not relevant. We are going to balance this budget. I don't care if we get defeated. If I get defeated because of balancing the budget, what a grand and glorious way to go out."

Mr. Speaker, that is the way I feel. It has been such an honor this past week to see the freshman class on Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday of this week, when poll numbers shot up for the President and down for us, it was so great to talk to them and not a single one said they were going to budge.

Reporters would come and say, "What about the poll numbers?" And we would cut them off and say, "That does not really matter. The polls do not matter. What matters is we keep our word."

Mr. Speaker, if I could read what we passed tonight, it is a commitment to a 7-year balanced budget and this is the language I would like to end on:

The President and Congress shall enact legislation in the first session of the 104th Congress to achieve a balanced budget not later than fiscal year 2002, as estimated by the Congressional Budget Office. The balanced budget agreement shall be estimated by the Congressional Budget Office based on the most recent current economic and technical assumptions.

Mr. Speaker, it goes on and has some more verbiage in there. But what a great honor that tonight we truly were a part of history. We have started down the path that James Madison and Thomas Jefferson and our Founding Fathers intended for us. As James Madison, one of the framers of the Constitution said,

We have staked the entire future of the American civilization not upon the power of government, but upon the capacity of the individuals to govern themselves, control themselves, and sustain themselves according to the Ten Commandments of God.

Tonight we started down that path. We dared to make a difference. We dared to balance the budget. I am going to be very proud tomorrow when I fly home and get off the plane and see my 7-year-old and 4-year-old and know that we had a part in history and a part in ensuring that their history will be even brighter than our own. That is all we can ask.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BRYANT of Tennessee (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of a death in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. ROEMER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. DOGGETT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. TIAHRT) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. RIGGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TIAHRT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DORNAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. UPTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KIM, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous materials:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.J. Res. 122. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes; and

H.J. Res. 123. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, bills of the House of the following title:

H.J. Res. 122. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

On November 19, 1995:
H.J. Res. 123. Joint resolution making further appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 32, I move the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARR). Pursuant to the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution 32, 104th Congress, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28, 1995, for morning hour debate.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 7 minutes p.m.), pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 32, the House adjourned until Tuesday, November 28, 1995, at 12:30 p.m.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

U.S. CONGRESS,
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE,

Washington, DC, November 13, 1995.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to Section 303 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. §1384(b)), I am transmitting the enclosed notice of proposed rulemaking for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The Congressional Accountability Act specifies that the enclosed notice be published on the first day on which both Houses are in session following this transmittal.

Sincerely,

RICKY SILBERMAN,
Executive Director.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

The Congressional Accountability Act of 1995: Procedural Rules

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Summary: The Executive Director of the Office of Compliance is publishing proposed rules to govern the procedures for consideration and resolution of alleged violations of the laws made applicable under Part A of Title II of the Congressional Accountability Act (P.L. 104-1). The proposed rules have been approved by the Board of Directors, Office of Compliance.

Dates: Comments are due within 30 days after publication of this notice in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Addresses: Submit written comments to the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, Room LA 200, 110 Second Street, S.E., Washington, DC 20540-1999. Those wishing to receive notification of receipts of comments are requested to include a self-addressed, stamped post card. Comments may also be transmitted by facsimile ("FAX") machine to (202) 252-3115. This is not a toll-free call. Copies of comments submitted by the public will be available for review at the Law Library Reading Room, Room LM-201, Law Library of Congress, James Madison Memorial Building, Washington, D.C., Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

For Further Information Contact: Executive Director, Office of Compliance at (202) 252-3100. This notice is also available in the following formats: large print, braille, audio tape, and electronic file on computer disk. Requests for this notice in an alternative