

terrorism, but words are the only way to stop.

The war on terrorism can be won: First, with a great national debate, followed by an honest and global dialogue with all the parties involved. Every day we delay is another day of bloodshed, another soldier dies, another caser comes home, another family buries their loved one, and it is another day further away from real peace and real judgment for all.

Mr. Speaker, the President has 106 days to begin this debate. If he fails, we will have a new president.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 56 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until 2 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. STEARNS) at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God, You are the Daystar of a new day.

From the darkness of night and phantom dreams, You awaken us to the brightness of reality.

As from a mother's womb, You bring us forth to smile and delight or frown and cry over another passing day.

By the tasks You set before us, You strengthen our whole being and bring us to accomplishment. You lighten our burden and brighten our face by knowing love and friendship.

Help Congress and all in this Nation to awaken and respond as Your people now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. HAYWORTH) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HAYWORTH led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced

that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1303. An act to amend the E-Government Act of 2002 with respect to rulemaking authority of the Judicial Conference.

H.R. 4759. An act to implement the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4520. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove impediments in such Code and make our manufacturing, service, and high-technology businesses and workers more competitive and productive both at home and abroad.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 4520) "An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to comply with the World Trade Organization rulings on the FSC/ETI benefit in a manner that preserves jobs and production activities in the United States, to reform and simplify the international taxation rules of the United States, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. LOTT, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KYL, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SMITH, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. GREGG, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. HARKIN to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2261. An act to expand certain preferential trade treatment for Haiti.

S. 2479. An act to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for Federal employees to make elections to make, modify, and terminate contributions to the Thrift Savings Fund at any time, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 70-770, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, vice the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX).

REPORT ON H.R. 4850, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2005

Mr. WOLF, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 108-610) on the bill (H.R. 4850) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1, rule XXI, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

KEEP AMERICANS INFORMED ON HOMELAND SECURITY

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, as we enter this week and begin a very legislatively-intense week, members of the Select Committee on Homeland Security will be meeting this afternoon to begin to legislate and implement the reauthorization of the homeland security efforts.

I call today for a unified effort. I call today for telling the American people the truth and being able to explain to them the substance of chatter and the importance of unifying around a single theme of securing the homeland.

It is important to note as we leave this body at the end of the week, going to our respective home sites but also to our respective conventions, selecting nominees for the Presidency of the United States, it is important for local communities to be informed aptly. We must explain more extensively the color system, use what is right, pronounce when it is important to pronounce, and not utilize any of this for political purposes.

The debate this afternoon in our Select Committee on Homeland Security should be vigorous, special interest should have no place. The only place that should be in this mark-up should be the place of the American people, to ensure their safety. For many do believe that we are not as safe as we were 4 years ago, and we need to work in a unified policy to ensure that happens.

Internationally and domestically, securing the homeland is balanced between our freedom and our rights, as well as our ability to secure our local communities. I constantly believe that we should engage the American people in the security of our homeland.

WHATEVER IT TAKES TO DEFEND THE NATION

(Mr. HAYWORTH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I welcome many of the comments from my colleague from Texas. Homeland security and our national security, indeed, the survival and the continued success of the American people is what is at stake as we find ourselves engaged in this new type of warfare, this war on terror.

I believe it is important, despite this time of year and the pending political season, to understand that it is important not to politicize but at the same time to point out genuine differences of opinion that may exist because, after all, that is the purpose of the House of Representatives.