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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. MILLER of Michigan).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

October 19, 2005.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CANDICE S. MILLER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Joseph L. Logrip, Pastor, Immaculate Conception Church, Levittown, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks and praise. You graciously share Your governance with us, a governance where life and freedom, worship and charity, justice and peace, work and ownership are foundational to Your eternal plan. How awesome this governance. How demanding this task.

Give us, we beseech You, the gift of wisdom, the great attendant at Your throne, for Your wisdom renders right judgment and integrity of heart.

Keep us safe and strong. Allow our governance to be pleasing in Your eyes and conformable to Your commands. So we recognize You as the God of this Nation and the Lord of this land.

As always, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey 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.

WELCOMING THE REVEREND JOSEPH L. LOGRIP

(Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to welcome to our Nation's Capitol and to this House Chamber Father Joseph Logrip of Immaculate Conception Parish in Levittown, Pennsylvania, and to thank him for offering this morning's prayer, a custom dating back to the Continental Congress, and one that is deeply embedded in the history and tradition of this body.

Father Logrip is a teacher, a pastor, and a spiritual leader. He has been a friend and mentor for me and for thousands of others. Father Logrip's contributions both in Bucks County and throughout our Commonwealth have made him an invaluable spiritual leader for Pennsylvanians of all faiths. Under his guidance as pastor, the Church of Immaculate Conception in Levittown, Pennsylvania has grown in size and in faith, and it has enriched the lives of its parishioners and also the community around it. Father has devoted his life to the well-being of his church. He is a man of the people in a working-class community. He is a great communicator, and he is a spir-

itual man who conveys his spirituality in a very gentle and unassuming way. We thank him for his service and for traveling to the Nation's Capitol this morning and for offering the morning's prayer.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TAKES REAL LIVES

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

Mr. POE. Madam Speaker, people die because of domestic violence: Rocío Alvarado, 27, Houston. Ella Marie Broussard, 26, Houston. Ericka Cavazos, 28, Houston. Marivell Garcia, 22, Baytown. Ebony Johnson, 22, Houston. Keisha Joseph, 34, Houston. Florentina Matamoros, 31, Houston. Maria Navarro, 37, Houston. Gloria Ann Ozuna, 18, Houston. Ziba Poursheykhi, 44, Houston. Susan Soogrim, 44, Baytown. Amanda Terlouw, 25, Houston. Prudencia Vallejo, 62, Houston. Khadija Williams, 31, Humble. Sheila Marie Davis, 35, Beaumont. Joyce Volrie, 62, Beaumont.

Madam Speaker, these victims were murdered by their intimate partner, spouse, or boyfriend this very year. Domestic violence is not just a family issue but a criminal issue, a health issue, an American issue. Madam Speaker, America must be concerned about what takes place in our families and the murder of spouses in the domestic violence situation. That is just the way it is.

BUDGET AND IRAQ

(Mr. EMANUEL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. EMANUEL. Madam Speaker, after racking up nearly \$3 trillion in new debt in the past 4 years, suddenly this Congress has decided to become

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