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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. TAUSCHER).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 30, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ELLEN O. TAUSCHER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend J. Cletus Kiley, President, The Faith & Politics Institute, Washington, DC, offered the following prayer:

Loving God, at the beginning of a new day, we ask You for an outpouring of Your spirit. We ask You to bless each of us with that spirit, which is truly strong, loving and wise.

Lord, today we pray especially for strength. For one Member such strength may come as the ability to persevere against hopeless odds. For another it may come as the ability to see light in a world of darkness. For yet another that strength will appear as the ability to give selflessly with no thought of return. And for still another that strength may come as an ability to encourage those around them.

The strength You give is about conviction and courage and compassion. It requires no adversary, nor does it magnify weakness. It simply does what it must without praise or need for acclaim.

May such strength support all our work and may it always reflect You, its divine source. 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. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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 Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 761. An act to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 25, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on April 25, 2007, at 3:00 p.m.:

That the Senate agreed to Conference Report accompanying the bill H.R. 1591.

Appointments:

Canada-United States Parliamentary Group (2)
Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress (1)

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow for morning hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 1, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., for morning hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1371. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting a report identifying, for each of the armed forces (other than the Coast Guard) and each Defense Agency, the percentage of funds that were expended during the preceding two fiscal years for performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads by the public and private sectors, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2466(d)(1); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1372. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a report entitled, "Merger Decisions 2006," in accordance with Section 18(c)(9) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act; to the Committee on Financial Services.

1373. A letter from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Emissions of Greenhouse Gases in the United States 2005," pursuant to Public Law 102-486 section 1605(a); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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