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## House of Representatives

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

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 21, 2009.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DIANA DEGETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord, yesterday, proud to be Americans, became a memorable day of celebration.

A conversion of history does not mean history is overturned or undone. Its true meaning calls for a new way of living. Because the future is no longer to be feared, we can be open for every confirmation of hope realized.

The historic past can be drawn upon for lessons yet to be learned. But now truly free, we are to act as Your people with a new spirit of responsibility, able to respond to the demands of every moment given us.

It is now upon us as a government and as a Nation to make history, to take our time, and make it a time worth celebrating.

So it ever was, is now, and ever will be, generation after generation here in America.

Lord God, be with us 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 her approval thereof.

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

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. FOXX 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.

### ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Madam Speaker, by the direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 74

*Resolved*, That the following named Members be and are hereby elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

(1) COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.—Mr. Holden, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Baca, Mr. Cardoza, Mr. Scott of Georgia, Mr. Marshall, Ms. Herseth Sandlin, Mr. Cuellar, Mr. Costa, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Walz, Mrs. Gillibrand, Mr. Kagen, Mr. Schrader, Ms. Halvorson, Ms. Dahlkemper, Mr. Massa, Mr. Bright, Ms. Markey of Colorado, Mr. Kratovil, Mr. Schauer, Mr. Kissell, Mr. Boccheri, Mr. Pomeroy, Mr. Childers, Mr. Minnick.

(2) COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET.—Ms. Schwartz, Ms. Kaptur, Mr. Becerra, Mr. Doggett, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Berry, Mr. Boyd, Mr. McGovern, Ms. Tsongas, Mr. Etheridge, Ms. McCollum, Mr. Melancon, Mr. Yarmuth, Mr. Andrews, Ms. DeLauro, Mr. Edwards of Texas, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Mr. Langevin, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr.

Bishop of New York, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, Mr. Connolly of Virginia, Mr. Schrader.

(3) COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR.—Mr. Kildee, Mr. Payne, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Hinojosa, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Mr. Tierney, Mr. Kucinich, Mr. Wu, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Davis of California, Mr. Grijalva, Mr. Bishop of New York, Mr. Sestak, Mr. Loeb sack, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Altmire, Mr. Hare, Ms. Clarke, Mr. Courtney, Ms. Shea-Porter, Ms. Fudge, Mr. Polis of Colorado, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Sablan, Ms. Titus.

(4) COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.—Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Faleomavaega, Mr. Payne, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Wexler, Mr. Engel, Mr. Delahunt, Mr. Meeks of New York, Ms. Watson, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Carnahan, Mr. Sires, Mr. Connolly of Virginia, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Tanner, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Ms. Lee of California, Ms. Berkley, Mr. Crowley, Mr. Ross, Mr. Miller of North Carolina, Mr. Scott of Georgia, Mr. Costa, Mr. Ellison, Ms. Giffords, Mr. Klein of Florida.

(5) COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.—Mr. Berman, Mr. Boucher, Mr. Nadler of New York, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Mr. Watt, Ms. Zoe Lofgren of California, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Ms. Waters, Mr. Delahunt, Mr. Wexler, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Weiner, Mr. Schiff, Ms. Linda T. Sanchez of California, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Mr. Maffei.

(6) COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES.—Mr. Kildee, Mr. Faleomavaega, Mr. Abercrombie, Mr. Pallone, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Holt, Mr. Grijalva, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Costa, Mr. Boren, Mr. Sablan, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. George Miller of California, Mr. Markey of Massachusetts, Mr. DeFazio, Mr. Hinchey, Mrs. Christensen, Ms. DeGette, Mr. Kind, Mrs. Capps, Mr. Inslee, Mr. Baca, Ms. Herseth Sandlin, Mr. Sarbanes, Ms. Shea-Porter, Ms. Tsongas, Mr. Kratovil, Mr. Pierluisi.

(7) COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.—Mr. Costello, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Ms. Woolsey, Mr. Wu, Mr. Baird, Mr. Miller of North Carolina, Mr. Lipinski, Ms. Giffords, Ms. Edwards of Maryland, Ms. Fudge, Mr. Lujan, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Rothman of New Jersey, Mr. Matheson, Mr. Davis of Tennessee, Mr. Chandler, Mr. Carnahan, Mr. Hill, Mr. Mitchell,

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