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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 26, 2009, at 2 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2009

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

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 23, 2009.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DONNA F. EDWARDS 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 God, who enters into dialogue with Your people and receives our prayers and petitions, be with the people of the United States who have established through the Constitution three branches of government.

May this government by the people ever flourish with Your blessing and by Your divine guidance. May each branch of government be faithful to its constitutional duties and firm in its unique sovereignty.

Together, may the branches strengthen the tree of national unity so that all citizens may grow in peace and patriotism.

This we ask, placing all our trust in You, Almighty God, both 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. 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. 181. An act to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, and to modify the operation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to clarify that a discriminatory compensation decision or other practice that is unlawful under such Acts occurs each time compensation is paid pursuant to the discriminatory compensation decision or other practice, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair,

on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senator as a member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe during the One Hundred Eleventh Congress:

The Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN).

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 94-304, as amended by Public Law 99-7, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senator as Chairman of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe during the One Hundred Eleventh Congress:

The Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN).

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of sections 42 and 43 of title 20, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senator as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress:

The Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN).

### APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of section 201(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate hereby appoint Dr. Douglas W. Elmendorf as Director of the Congressional Budget Office effective immediately for the remainder of the term expiring January 3, 2011.

This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g.,  1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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