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## Senate

The Senate met at 9:55 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable DANIEL K. INOUE, a Senator from the State of Hawaii.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name. Today, give special energy, insight, and patience to the Members of this body. Strengthen them against relentless pressures from constituents, lobbyists, and special interests, as You give them wisdom to resolve their differences without rancor or bitterness. Lord, lead them in the way of compromise that doesn't sacrifice principle or self-respect and that preserves timeless values which serve the common good. Make their consistent communion with You radiate on their faces, be expressed in their character, and be exuded in positive joy. Fill this Chamber with Your spirit and our Senators with Your strength and courage.

We pray in Your gracious Name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable DANIEL K. INOUE 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.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, June 24, 2009.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby

appoint the Honorable DANIEL K. INOUE, a Senator from the State of Hawaii, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
President pro tempore.

Mr. INOUE thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

### QUORUM CALL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

This will be a live quorum. We will, as further stated and under the rule, meet at 10 o'clock for the swearing in of Senators to proceed with the impeachment matter.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll, and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered to their names.

[Quorum No. 2 Leg.]

Akaka	Ensign	McCaskill
Alexander	Enzi	McConnell
Barrasso	Feingold	Merkley
Baucus	Feinstein	Mikulski
Bayh	Grassley	Murkowski
Begich	Gregg	Murray
Bennett, Utah	Hagan	Pryor
Bingaman	Harkin	Reid, Nevada
Bond	Hatch	Risch
Boxer	Hutchison	Rockefeller
Brownback	Inhofe	Sessions
Bunning	Inouye	Shelby
Burr	Isakson	Stabenow
Burriss	Johanns	Tester
Cantwell	Johnson	Thune
Cardin	Kaufman	Udall, Colorado
Carper	Kerry	Udall, New
Casey	Klobuchar	Mexico
Chambliss	Kohl	Vitter
Coburn	Kyl	Voynovich
Corker	Landrieu	Warner
Cornyn	Leahy	Webb
Crapo	Levin	Whitehouse
DeMint	Lugar	Wicker
Dodd	Martinez	Wyden
Dorgan	McCain	

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. A quorum is present. Would members of the staff take their seats. Senators who wish to converse will retire to the cloakroom.

I now call upon the Secretary for the majority.

### EXHIBITION OF ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT AGAINST SAMUEL B. KENT, JUDGE OF THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

The SECRETARY FOR THE MAJORITY. Mr. President, I announce the presence of the managers on the part of the House of Representatives to conduct proceedings on behalf of the House concerning the impeachment of Samuel B. Kent, Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The managers on the part of the House will be received and assigned to their seats.

The managers were thereupon escorted by the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, Terrance W. Gainer, to the well of the Senate.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Sergeant at Arms will make a proclamation.

The Sergeant at Arms, Terrance W. Gainer, made the proclamation, as follows:

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! All persons are commanded to keep silent, on pain of imprisonment, while the House of Representatives is exhibiting to the Senate of the United States, articles of impeachment against Samuel B. Kent, Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The managers on the part of the House will proceed.

Mr. Manager SCHIFF. Mr. President, the managers on the part of the House of Representatives are present and

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.



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