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Senate

The Senate assembled in joint session with the House of Representatives for the inaugural ceremonies for the President and Vice President and recessed until Tuesday, January 22, 2013, at 11:30 a.m.

House of Representatives

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2013

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
January 21, 2013.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN SHIMKUS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day. You are the Father of us all. Divine Providence has led this Nation in the past and guides all human affairs to this very day.

As a Nation, we are in need of wisdom to make right decisions, perseverance to build upon the hopes of Your people, and patience, because the times bear an urgency.

So today, the American people join Congress as we call upon Your holy name. We pray for Vice President JOSEPH BIDEN and for Your servant, Barack Obama, our reelected 44th President of these United States.

May Your Holy Spirit descend upon him that he may see things as You see

things. May he be strengthened in his work and grow in understanding as he proves ever attentive to the people.

May he respond to the Nation's deepest needs and lift up all of us to higher standards of equal justice, true goodness and peaceful union. Grant him health and protection, sincere collaboration and renewed faith.

Lord, may the people of this Nation and those around the world stand with him to face any challenge, endure any difficulty without fear, learn how to accept every success and every failure with grace, and support him with encouragement and prayer, 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 his approval thereof.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. HULTGREN 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces that in order to be seated on the platform, sitting Members of the 113th Congress must have an official pin, which they will be given as they leave the Chamber.

Members are advised there are no extra seats available on the platform. Therefore, only sitting Members will be seated on the platform. Under no circumstances will former Members, former House officers, spouses or children be able to join the procession or be seated on the platform.

The Sergeant at Arms will precede the procession bearing the Mace.

Members will be escorted to the West Terrace in order of seniority. At this time, Members, the Resident Commissioner and Delegates should congregate in the well by class.

Pursuant to House Resolution 21, upon completion of the ceremony, the House will stand adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate.

Pursuant to House Resolution 21, Members will now proceed to the West Front to attend the inaugural ceremonies for the President and Vice President of the United States.

Thereupon, at 10 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m., the Members of the House, preceded by the Sergeant at Arms and the Speaker, proceeded to the West Front of the Capitol.

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

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