

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, February 8, 1999

The House met at 2 p.m.

The Chaplain, Reverend James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Let us pray using words of Psalm 46.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the Earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

Come behold the works of the Lord, how He has wrought desolations in the Earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the Earth; He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; He burns the chariots with fire.

Be still, and know that I am God. I am exalted among the nations. I am exalted in the Earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. Will the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KNOLLENBERG) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KNOLLENBERG 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 Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed a concurrent resolution of the following title, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 6. Concurrent resolution authorizing flags located in the Capitol complex to be flown at half-staff in memory of R. Scott Bates, Legislative Clerk of the United States Senate.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 1928a–1928d of title 22, United States Code, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Delaware

(Mr. BIDEN) as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 1928a–1928d of title 22, United States Code, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Delaware (Mr. ROTH) as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly during the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 276h–276k, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group during the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–83, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, announces the appointment of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) to serve as a member of the National Council on the Arts.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–277, the Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the National Commission on Terrorism:

Richard Kevin Betts, of New Jersey; and

Maurice Sonnenberg, of New York.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 276h–276k of title 22, United States Code, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Georgia (Mr. COVERDELL) as the Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group during the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–292, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, appoints The Most Reverend Theodore E. McCarrick, Archbishop of Newark, New Jersey, to the Commission on International Religious Freedom.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–277, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, in consultation with the Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Finance, appoints the following individuals to the Trade Deficit Review Commission:

Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, of New York;

C. Richard D'Amato, of Maryland; and

Lester C. Thurow, of Massachusetts.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–277, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, announces the appointment of Manuel H. Johnson, of Virginia, to serve as a member of the International Financial Institution Advisory Commission.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 2761 of title 22, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, appoints the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS) as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group during the One Hundred Sixth Congress.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–277, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Commission on Online Child Protection:

Arthur Derosier, Jr., of Montana—Representative of academia with expertise in the field of technology;

Albert F. Gainer III, of Tennessee—Representative of a business providing Internet filtering or blocking services or software;

Donna Rice Hughes, of Virginia—Representative of a business making content available over the Internet;

C. Bradley Keirens, of Colorado—Representative of a business providing Internet access services; and

Karen L. Talbert, of Texas—Representative of a business providing labeling or ratings services.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105–277, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the National Commission on Terrorism:

Wayne A. Downing, of Colorado;

Fred Ikle, of Maryland; and

John F. Lewis, of New York.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 93–415, as amended by Public Law 102–586, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of William Keith Oubre, of Mississippi, to serve as member of the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice

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