

cent too much, because that is a violation of our word to the American people, and most importantly, to ourselves.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that we in Washington can get by on less so Americans can get by with more. I believe, like Thomas Jefferson, that the government that governs least governs best. I believe, in the words of James Madison, that we have staked the entire future of the American civilization, not upon the power of government but upon the power of the American people.

It is time for us to renew our vow and our pledge, not only to the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, but to the vision and the wisdom and the courage of the George Washingtons and the Thomas Jeffersons and the Ben Franklins and the James Madisons, and to those great patriots that fought so fiercely for all Americans' liberties over 222 years ago.

Mr. Speaker, if we are true to our word and true to their memory, then I know that the next century will also be the next great American century.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 800, EDUCATION FLEXIBILITY PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 1999

Mr. DREIER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-46) on the resolution (H. Res. 100) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 800) to provide for education flexibility partnerships, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BILBRAY (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today, on account of personal reasons.

Mr. DIXON (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today through March 11, on account of official travel.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of bad weather.

Mr. REYES (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today through March 11, on account of official business.

Ms. SANCHEZ (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of official business.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of bad weather.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. NORTON) to revise and ex-

tend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FORD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NADLER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SANDERS, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FOSSELLA) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. ARMEY, for 5 minutes, on March 10.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, on March 15.

Mr. MILLER of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCARBOROUGH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BILIRAKIS, for 5 minutes, on March 10.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOSSELLA, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 10, 1999, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

942. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Department's report entitled "Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1998," pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2151n(d); to the Committee on Appropriations.

943. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a statement with respect to transactions involving U.S. exports to various overseas entities, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3)(1); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

944. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Consumer Information Regulations; Utility Vehicle Label [Docket No. NHTSA-98-3381, Notice 2] (RIN: 2127-AG53) received March 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

945. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Procurement List Additions and Deletions—received March 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

946. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a report about grants authorized by the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act of 1965; to the Committee on Resources.

947. A letter from the General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Motion to Reopen:

Suspension of Deportation and Cancellation of Removal [EOIR No. 121F; AG ORDER No.] (RIN: 1125-AA23) received March 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

948. A letter from the Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress, transmitting a schedule of proposed new copyright fees and the accompanying analysis; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

949. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the 1998 Annual Report of the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), pursuant to Public Law 100-418, section 5131(b) (102 Stat. 1443); to the Committee on Science.

950. A letter from the Regulatory Policy Officer, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Establishment of the San Francisco Bay Viticultural Area and the Realignment of the Boundary of the Central Coast Viticultural Area (97-242) [T.D. ATF-407; Re: Notice No. 856] (RIN: 1512-AA07) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

951. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, transmitting the Bureau's final rule—Procedures for the Issuance, Denial, and Revocation of Certificates of Label Approval, Certificates of Exemption From Label Approval, and Distinctive Liquor Bottle Approvals (93F-029P) [TD ATF-406 Re: Notice No. 815 and Notice No. 819] (RIN: 1512-AB34) received January 27, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

952. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Child Support Enforcement Program; State Plan Approval and Grant Procedures, State Plan Requirements, Standards for Program Operations, Federal Financial Participation Audit and Penalty (RIN: 0970-AB81) received February 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

953. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of intent to obligate funds for an additional program proposal for purposes of Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund activities; jointly to the Committees on Appropriations and International Relations.

954. A letter from the Director, Congressional Budget Office, transmitting a paper that reviews the activities of the Congressional Budget Office during 1998; jointly to the Committees on Rules and the Budget.

955. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Reporting Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) Data as Part of the Conditions of Participation for Home Health Agencies [HCFA-3006-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AJ10) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

956. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Comprehensive Assessment and Use of the OASIS as Part of the Conditions of Participation for Home Health Agencies [HCFA-3007-F] (RIN: 0938-AJ11) received February 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.