

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Thursday, June 8, 2000

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,
June 8, 2000.

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

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Father James Scherer, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, offered the following prayer:

"To do work carefully and well, with love and respect for the nature of our task and with due attention to its purpose, is to unite ourselves to God's will in our work." Thomas Merton.

Lord, we have no idea where we are going. We do not even see the road ahead. We cannot know for certain where it will end. The fact that we think that we are following Your will does not necessarily mean that we are. We believe, however, the desire to please You does, in fact, please You. We hope we will never do anything apart from that desire. We know You will lead us by the right road. Therefore, we trust You always that You may lead us and we may not be lost. We will not fear, for You are ever with us, and You will never leave us to face our perils alone. 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.

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum

is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. PHELPS 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 has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4542. An act to designate the Washington Opera in Washington, D.C., as the National Opera.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2625. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise the performance standards and certification process for organ procurement organizations.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-389, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of Robert R. Ferguson III of North Carolina, to serve as a member of the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board.

WELCOMING FATHER JIM SCHERER

(Mr. COBLE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to welcome Father Jim Scherer from Greensboro, North Carolina as our guest chaplain today, although I did not sponsor Father Jim. Father Jim was sponsored by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. WELDON) who this session has, in turn, sponsored Father Jim's nephew. I am delighted to

welcome Father Jim Scherer to the House today.

Father Jim serves 3 parishes back in the 6th district of North Carolina. Our Lady of Grace where he conducts weekday mass; and Father Jim, I had the pleasure of addressing the student body at Our Lady of Grace last year; St. Paul the Apostle, and St. Pios for Sunday masses. In addition to that, Father Jim also served as a marriage and family therapist in private practice in Greensboro.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues will join me in extending a warm welcome to Father Jim Scherer as our guest chaplain today.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. BRYANT. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 363, nays 45, answered "present" 5, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 246]

YEAS—363

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| Allen | Blunt | Chenoweth-Hage |
| Andrews | Boehler | Clayton |
| Archer | Boehner | Clement |
| Armey | Bonilla | Clyburn |
| Baca | Bonior | Coble |
| Bachus | Bono | Coburn |
| Baker | Boswell | Collins |
| Baldacci | Boucher | Combest |
| Ballenger | Boyd | Condit |
| Barcia | Brady (TX) | Cook |
| Barr | Brown (FL) | Cooksey |
| Barrett (WI) | Brown (OH) | Cox |
| Bartlett | Bryant | Coyne |
| Barton | Burr | Cramer |
| Bass | Burton | Crowley |
| Bateman | Buyer | Cubin |
| Becerra | Callahan | Cunningham |
| Bentsen | Calvert | Davis (FL) |
| Bereuter | Camp | Davis (IL) |
| Berkley | Campbell | Davis (VA) |
| Berman | Canady | Deal |
| Berry | Cannon | DeGette |
| Biggert | Capps | DeLahunt |
| Bilirakis | Capuano | DeLauro |
| Bishop | Cardin | DeLay |
| Blagojevich | Castle | DeMint |

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| Dicks | Kolbe | Riley |
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| Doggett | LaHood | Roemer |
| Dooley | Lampson | Rogan |
| Doolittle | Lantos | Rogers |
| Doyle | Largent | Ros-Lehtinen |
| Dreier | Larson | Rothman |
| Duncan | Latham | Roukema |
| Dunn | LaTourette | Roybal-Allard |
| Edwards | Lazio | Royce |
| Ehlers | Leach | Rush |
| Ehrlich | Lee | Ryan (WI) |
| Emerson | Lewis (CA) | Ryun (KS) |
| Engel | Lewis (KY) | Salmon |
| Eshoo | Linder | Sanchez |
| Etheridge | Lipinski | Sanders |
| Evans | Lofgren | Sandlin |
| Everett | Lowey | Sanford |
| Ewing | Lucas (KY) | Sawyer |
| Farr | Lucas (OK) | Saxton |
| Fletcher | Luther | Scarborough |
| Foley | Maloney (CT) | Schaffer |
| Forbes | Maloney (NY) | Schakowsky |
| Ford | Martinez | Scott |
| Fowler | Mascara | Sensenbrenner |
| Frank (MA) | Matsui | Serrano |
| Franks (NJ) | McCarthy (MO) | Sessions |
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| Frost | McCollum | Shaw |
| Gallegly | McCrery | Shays |
| Ganske | McGovern | Sherman |
| Gekas | McHugh | Sherwood |
| Gephardt | McInnis | Shimkus |
| Gibbons | McIntyre | Shows |
| Gilchrest | McKeon | Shuster |
| Gillmor | McKinney | Simpson |
| Gilman | McNulty | Sisisky |
| Gonzalez | Meehan | Skeen |
| Goode | Meek (FL) | Skelton |
| Goodlatte | Meeks (NY) | Smith (NJ) |
| Goodling | Menendez | Smith (TX) |
| Gordon | Metcalf | Smith (WA) |
| Goss | Mica | Snyder |
| Graham | Millender- | Souder |
| Granger | McDonald | Spence |
| Green (WI) | Miller (FL) | Spratt |
| Gutknecht | Miller, Gary | Stabenow |
| Hall (TX) | Miller, George | Stearns |
| Hansen | Minge | Stenholm |
| Hastings (WA) | Mink | Stump |
| Hayes | Moakley | Sununu |
| Hayworth | Mollohan | Sweeney |
| Herger | Moore | Talent |
| Hill (IN) | Moran (KS) | Tanner |
| Hinchee | Moran (VA) | Tauscher |
| Hobson | Morella | Tauzin |
| Hoeffel | Murtha | Taylor (NC) |
| Hoekstra | Myrick | Terry |
| Holden | Nadler | Thomas |
| Holt | Napolitano | Thornberry |
| Hooley | Neal | Thune |
| Horn | Nethercutt | Tiahrt |
| Hostettler | Ney | Toomey |
| Hoyer | Northup | Towns |
| Hulshof | Norwood | Traficant |
| Hunter | Nussle | Turner |
| Hutchinson | Olver | Udall (CO) |
| Hyde | Ortiz | Upton |
| Inslee | Ose | Velázquez |
| Isakson | Owens | Vitter |
| Istook | Oxley | Walden |
| Jackson (IL) | Packard | Walsh |
| Jackson-Lee | Pallone | Wamp |
| (TX) | Pascrell | Watkins |
| Jenkins | Pastor | Watt (NC) |
| John | Paul | Watts (OK) |
| Johnson (CT) | Payne | Waxman |
| Johnson, E. B. | Pease | Weiner |
| Johnson, Sam | Pelosi | Weldon (FL) |
| Jones (NC) | Petri | Weldon (PA) |
| Jones (OH) | Phelps | Wexler |
| Kanjorski | Pickering | Weygand |
| Kaptur | Pitts | Whitfield |
| Kasich | Pombo | Wilson |
| Kelly | Porter | Wise |
| Kennedy | Portman | Wolf |
| Kildee | Price (NC) | Woolsey |
| Kilpatrick | Pryce (OH) | Wynn |
| Kind (WI) | Quinn | Young (AK) |
| King (NY) | Rahall | Young (FL) |
| Kingston | Regula | |

NAYS—45

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| Aderholt | Hall (OH) | Sabo |
| Baird | Hastings (FL) | Slaughter |
| Baldwin | Hefley | Stark |
| Bilbray | Hill (MT) | Strickland |
| Borski | Hilleary | Stupak |
| Brady (PA) | Hilliard | Taylor (MS) |
| Costello | Kucinich | Thompson (CA) |
| Crane | Lewis (GA) | Thompson (MS) |
| DeFazio | LoBiondo | Thurman |
| Dickey | McDermott | Udall (NM) |
| English | Oberstar | Visclosky |
| Fattah | Peterson (MN) | Waters |
| Filner | Pickett | Weller |
| Green (TX) | Pomeroy | Wicker |
| Gutierrez | Ramstad | Wu |

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—5

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| Barrett (NE) | Conyers | Tancredo |
| Carson | Levin | |

NOT VOTING—21

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| Clay | Houghton | Peterson (PA) |
| Cummings | Jefferson | Radanovich |
| Danner | Klink | Rangel |
| Fossella | Manzullo | Rohrabacher |
| Gejdenson | Markey | Smith (MI) |
| Greenwood | McIntosh | Tierney |
| Hinojosa | Obey | Vento |

□ 1025

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi changed his vote from "present" to "nay."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 407, this time has been designated for the taking of the official photo of the House of Representatives in session.

The House will be in a brief recess while the Chamber is being prepared for the photo. As soon as these preparations are complete, the House will immediately resume its actual session for the taking of the photograph.

About 15 minutes after that, the House will proceed with the business of the House. The 1-minutes will be at the end of the legislative session today.

For the information of the Members, when the Chair says, the House will be in order, we are ready to take our picture. That will be in just a few minutes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 10:30 a.m.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 29 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until 10:30 a.m.

□ 1030

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order at 10 o'clock and 30 minutes a.m.

(Thereupon the Members sat for the official photograph of the House of Representatives for the 106th Congress.)

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 10:50 a.m. Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 33 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 10:50 a.m.

□ 1052

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PEASE) at 10 o'clock and 52 minutes a.m.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4577, DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by the direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 518 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 518

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4577) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendments printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. Points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI are waived except as follows: beginning with "Provided" on page 44, line 4, through "as amended" on line 14. Where points of order are waived against part of a paragraph, points of order against a provision in another part of such paragraph may be made only against such provision and not against the entire paragraph. The amendment printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules may be offered only by a Member designated in the report and only at the appropriate point in the reading of the bill, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report are waived. During consideration of the bill for further amendment, the Chairman of the Committee of the