The House met at 9 a.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

It is You, O God, who brought people out of darkness of repression and revo-

lution into Your own wonderful light of freedom.

As You have blessed this Nation in its infancy, bless it now in its maturity.

Banish the darkness of doubt and confusion. Free us of fear and selfish-

ness. Bring us into Your own wonderful light where we can be our very best selves, caring about others. Help us to see the unrest from our own soul as a Nation that we may be fit instruments of peace to others.

It is You, O God, who brought people out of darkness of slavery and immi-

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As You have blessed this Nation in its early trials, bless it now in its present difficulties.

End 20th century’s cynicism and vio-

lence. Bring us into Your own wonderful light where we can meet others and accept our differences. Help us to rec-

ognize the poverty of our own spirits that we may be real hope to others.

Once we were “not a people” but now we are God’s people. Keep us bonded in this truth, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day’s pro-

ceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

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

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker’s ap-

proval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Chair’s approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes ap-

peared to have it.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. 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. 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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.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. Will the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. HAYWORTH) come

forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance?

Mr. HAYWORTH led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Repub-

lic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). The Chair will entertain one-

minutes at the end of legislative business.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION

OF H.R. 4635, APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001

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The Clerk read the resolution, as fol-

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