

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Tuesday, January 30, 2001

The House met at 2 p.m.

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

With the psalmist we pray: "O Lord open my lips and my mouth will declare Your praise."

Even before the first word is formulated, Lord, guide our minds, our thoughts, our hearts and desires. By Your Holy Spirit, breathe into us a new spirit. Shape this Congress and our world according to Your design that we may fulfill Your holy will.

Give us the gift of attentive hearts and open minds, that through the diversity of ideas, we may sort out what is best for this Nation. Let us not be afraid of silence; that even before we speak, we may heed Your revealed Word with longing.

May our speech be deliberately free of all prejudice that others may listen wholeheartedly. Then our dialogue will be mutually respectful, surprising even us with unity and justice. And our words as well as our lives will give You praise now and forever. 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 Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GIBBONS 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.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 22, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on January 22, 2001, at 12:25 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. Res. 10.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
Clerk of the House.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 24, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on January 24, 2001 at 11:02 a.m.

That the Senate passed S. Res. 12.

Appointments:

Commission on the Future of the U.S. Aerospace Industry, John J. Hamre of Maryland.

Board of Regents, Smithsonian Institution, Senator Leahy, Vermont.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
Clerk of the House.

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO HOUSE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 11 of rule X and clause 11 of rule I, the Chair appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:

Mr. BEREUTER of Nebraska,  
Mr. CASTLE of Delaware,  
Mr. BOEHLERT of New York,  
Mr. BASS of New Hampshire,  
Mr. GIBBONS of Nevada,  
Mr. LAHOOD of Illinois,  
Mr. CUNNINGHAM of California,  
Mr. HOEKSTRA of Michigan,  
Mr. BURR of North Carolina, and  
Mr. HUTCHINSON of Arkansas.

### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC ASSEMBLY

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 1928a, the Chair appoints the following Members of the House to the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly:

Mr. BEREUTER of Nebraska, Chairman,  
Mr. REGULA of Ohio,  
Mrs. ROUKEMA of New Jersey,

Mr. HEFLEY of Colorado,  
Mr. GILLMOR of Ohio,  
Mr. GOSS of Florida,  
Mr. EHLERS of Michigan, and  
Mr. MCINNIS of Colorado.

### RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Government Reform:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
January 17, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, Republican Steering Committee, House of Representatives, the Capitol.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I am writing to request that I be removed from the membership of the Committee on Government Reform for the 107th Congress. I indicated this desire in my committee request form and have been told informally that I would no longer be serving on the Government Reform Committee. I ask that you take whatever steps are necessary to make this decision official.

Thank you for consideration of my request. Should you have any questions regarding my committee assignments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

ASA HUTCHINSON,  
Member of Congress.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

### COMMUNICATION FROM CASE MANAGER OF HONORABLE DAN MILLER OF FLORIDA, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from Laura Griffin, Case Manager to the Honorable DAN MILLER of Florida, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 5, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House that I received a subpoena for documents and testimony issued by the Circuit Court of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida In and For Manatee County, Florida.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined to comply with the subpoena to the extent that it is consistent with Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

LAURA GRIFFIN,  
Case Manager.

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE DAVID DREIER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable DAVID DREIER, Member of Congress:

COMMITTEE ON RULES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 10, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you that, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I have been served with a grand jury subpoena for documents issued by the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

DAVID DREIER.

COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF MEMBER OF HONORABLE JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR., MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from Anthony Traficanti, office of the Honorable JAMES A. TRAFICANT, Jr., Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 16, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House that I have received a subpoena for testimony before the grand jury issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Sincerely,

ANTHONY TRAFICANTI.

COMMUNICATION FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPRESENTATIVE OF HONORABLE JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR., MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from Claire Maluso, Economic Development and Community Outreach Representative of the Honorable JAMES A. TRAFICANT, Jr., Member of Congress:

JANUARY 22, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This to formally notify you pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House, that I have received a subpoena for testimony before the grand jury issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Sincerely,

CLAIRE MALUSO,  
Youngstown, OH.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). The Chair will entertain 1-minute requests.

PRIVACY OF AMERICANS IS UNDER ATTACK

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

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to address a growing concern in this Nation, and that is the concern that the privacy of Americans is under attack. With the explosion of the Internet, changes in financial and medical laws and an increasingly intrusive Federal Government, people's personal information seems to be collected, sold, and transferred without adequate protections.

Madam Speaker, Congress must be engaged on this issue. In the last Congress, 250 of my colleagues joined me in supporting a bill establishing a historic commission that would have studied the protection of an individual's privacy. This would be the first such commission in 25 years. Now that the 107th Congress has begun, our agenda is very full; but the protection of the individual privacy remains one of the most important issues that we could address.

Several bills have been introduced. They should be considered. I encourage Congress to take up privacy legislation, but I believe it should be done in a responsible manner that allows for the appropriate flow of information without compromising the privacy of individuals. I believe a privacy commission is the right way to address this very important subject.

BALTIMORE RAVENS MAKE AP- PLESAUCE OUT OF NEW YORK GIANTS

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

Mr. CARDIN. Madam Speaker, in the 1958 NFL championship game, Baltimore's beloved Colts defeated the New York Giants in the greatest game ever played, the game that created the modern-day NFL.

This past Sunday, Baltimore's beloved Ravens wrote the latest chapter in Baltimore's glorious football history, again defeating the New York Giants in Super Bowl XXXV, in a 34 to 7 blowout.

The Ravens' victory was keyed by a swarming, stifling defensive unit that now ranks as the greatest of all time. Led by Ray Lewis, the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year and Super Bowl MVP, the Ravens' defense cut the Giants down to size, leaving the team

from the Big Apple as so much apple-sauce.

While the defense deserves the headlines it has received, the game was truly a team effort, with the offense and the special teams making big plays. In addition to Ray Lewis, the Ravens got major contributions from the other Lewises as well. Jamal Lewis pounded out 102 yards in rushing offense, and Jermaine Lewis scored on a kickoff return that broke the Giants' backs.

Today the City of Baltimore is the site of a victory parade, as the people of America's greatest city honor America's greatest football team. To all the Ravens, to owner Art Modell, I extend my heartfelt congratulations on a great season and a great Super Bowl championship.

A NEW ERA BEGINS

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

Mr. GIBBONS. Madam Speaker, this has been an exciting January here in Washington, but as we begin our work of the 107th Congress, it is important that we keep our focus on what we were sent here to do. As Members of Congress, we stood in this Chamber to take our oath of offices, promising to do the will of the American people; and this month we witnessed the inauguration of a new administration, an administration dedicated and committed to leading this Nation with integrity and fairness.

Madam Speaker, this 107th Congress has the opportunity to usher in a new era of politics. Together, this Congress and the Bush administration can successfully address the challenges facing our Nation, including ensuring military readiness, providing quality health care for all, and enacting meaningful education reform. We were elected to accomplish these goals, and now it is time for us to do our work and that of the American people.

CONGRESS CANNOT DEFEND AMERICA WITH STYROFOAM

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

Mr. TRAFICANT. Madam Speaker, CSC Steel Company in my district has filed for bankruptcy protection, laying off 500 people. The reason is clear: foreign steel is being illegally dumped into America at record levels. Now if that is not enough to polish your stainless, the Clinton administration last month allowed an \$18 million loan guarantee to a Chinese steel company. Beam me up.

Yes to Chinese steel; no to American steel. Is it any wonder the American