

It is for every ethnic group in the United States that I plead. It is for every human being here, from whatever racial origin. It does not matter who they are, where they come from, but if they are here, if they are American citizens, it is they that I plead for.

I plead for their safety, for their security, for the security of every Mexican-American who just came here and came legally and is a member, or anybody who is even here illegally, it does not matter, I am pleading for their security. I choose not to identify any particular ethnic group.

I know every time we talk about immigration reform, it comes down to this thing. I have read in the paper attacks on me personally because I have called for immigration reform, and the suggestion the other day in the Denver paper, there was someone who wrote an editorial saying, why is he talking about reforming immigration? Why is he talking about shutting off the border? It was not Mexico that attacked the United States.

Of course it was not. Who said it was? It has nothing to do with Mexico; it has everything to do with porous borders between Mexico and the United States and between the United States and Canada, and the United States and the rest of the world. That is the problem. It is not any ethnic group. It is our inability to control our own destiny because of our inability and unwillingness to control our own borders.

Many philosophers have used the phrase "demography is destiny," many times. I agree. We have an ability to help control our destiny, but it means controlling our borders.

Mr. Speaker, I once again take this microphone and once again suggest that the only way we will ever get immigration reform through this body is for people to rise up and let the Members of this body know how they feel about it. They have to do it directly and quickly and vociferously, and they have to be unwavering in their commitment to get their point across that we desperately need true immigration reform.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. UNDERWOOD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today through October 9 on account of official business.

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 Mr. GREEN of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. MCKINNEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SMITH of Washington, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BACA, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. SMITH of Michigan, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. LANGEVIN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2510. An act to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on October 1, 2001 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 2510. To extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, October 3, 2001, 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:

3968. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Brucellosis in Cattle; State and Area Classifications; Oklahoma [Docket No. 01-016-2] received September 4, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3969. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final

rule—Importation of Fruits and Vegetables [Docket No. 00-006-2] received September 4, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3970. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting His authorization to transfer from the Emergency Response Fund for emergency and national security activities; (H. Doc. No. 107-128); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

3971. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting pursuant to the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, funds will be provided to the Department of Transportation's Compensation for Air Carriers account; (H. Doc. No. 107-129); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

3972. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report entitled, "Report on the Performance of Commercial Activities," pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2461; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3973. A letter from the Secretary of the Air Force, Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the Superintendent of Air Force Academy, Colorado, has conducted a cost comparison of the Civil Engineering, Department of Athletics Facilities, Dean of the Facility Facilities and Training Devices and 34th Training Wing Cadet Housing functions, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2461; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3974. A letter from the Secretary of the Air Force, Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the Commander of Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, has conducted a comparison study to reduce the cost of operating the Base Operating Support (BOS), pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2461; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3975. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a Report on Proposed Obligations for Weapons Destruction and Non-Proliferation in the Former Soviet Union, pursuant to Public Law 104-106, section 1206(a) (110 Stat. 471); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3976. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, Department of Defense, transmitting notification of a study on certain function performed by military and civilian personnel in the Department of the Navy for possible performance by private contractors, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2461; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3977. A letter from the Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Department of Defense, transmitting a Report on Conversion of Department of Defense Commercial Activity to a Private Contractor; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3978. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on Strategic and Competitive Sourcing Programs Workforce Review Cost Savings Report for FY 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3979. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Review of Acquisition Plans for Conventional Ammunition [DFARS Case 2000-D030] received September 4, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

3980. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program [DFARS