

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, May 14, 2001

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOLF).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
May 14, 2001.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANK R. WOLF to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

### PRAYER

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

Lord of life and love, this weekend in celebrating Mother's Day, we have honored a relationship very basic, truly tender and symbolic of national values.

Mindful of our common origin, we ask Your blessing upon all mothers, both living and dead, of those here present and all the Members of this House.

Without our knowing it, each of us caused pain to a young woman just to be born into this world.

Make us eternally grateful for the gift of life and the noble commitment of women as mothers.

Be with the mothers of this Nation now and in the years to come.

Share with them Your spirit of wisdom, patience, generous forgiveness, and convincing justice.

Help them to mold young lives so fragile to their touch into model citizens who know right from wrong, who are unafraid to stand up to justice yet are channels of peace.

Help all know that in every act of being a mother, a woman shapes the strength of this Nation.

We are mindful of Your image in mother's love yesterday, now and forever. 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.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. OBER-

STAR) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. OBERSTAR 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 pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
Washington, DC, May 10, 2001.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*The 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 May 10, 2001 at 2:48 p.m.

That the Senate agreed to conference report H. Con. Res. 83.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and pursuant to section 201(b) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431) amended by Public Law 106-55, the Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term of 2 years:

Ms. Nina Shea, Washington, D.C.

There was no objection.

### COMMUNICATION FROM HON. RICHARD A. GEPHARDT, DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from RICHARD A. GEPHARDT, Democratic Leader:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 11, 2001.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 4 of the Congressional Award Act (2 U.S.C.

803), I hereby appoint the following Member to serve on the Congressional Award Board: Ms. Sheila Jackson-Lee, TX.

Yours Very Truly,  
RICHARD A. GEPHARDT.

### A TRIBUTE TO JEAN M. LYNN, CLINICAL COORDINATOR, BREAST CARE CENTER, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

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

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, the oncology nurse may well be as close as mere mortals come to angels on earth. These extraordinary health professionals must win the trust of their cancer patients while injecting toxics into the inflicted body. They must inspire hope of a better life in a patient who often wonders whether the treatment might be worse than the disease, and they must be gentle, comforting and reassuring to an often bewildered, even frightened cancer victim, desperate for someone truly to be their advocate.

Jean Lynn, Clinical Coordinator of the Breast Care Center at George Washington University Medical Center, personifies all of those prized qualities of the ideal oncology nurse, an angel to her patients, a role model to her colleagues.

One of Jean Lynn's coworkers said it best, "her patients love her and she was never too busy to love them in return. She truly cares about each and every one and becomes their advocate in the fight against breast cancer."

I witnessed Jean's love of patients and her enthusiasm for service to society during the years my beloved wife, Jo, was in her care at the GW oncology unit, more than a decade ago.

Jean Lynn, a creative health professional, blessed with a restless, pioneering spirit, charted a new frontier in the field of breast health, when she launched the first mobile mammogram program in Washington, D.C., designed to reach women in the under served community. She is founder of the Harvest Moon Classic 10 K Run/5 K Walk, to increase awareness about breast cancer and to raise funds for the breast care center. Jean also puts her boundless energy to work on behalf of innovative programs to improve women's health and advocating for legislation to help women diagnosed with breast cancer, but are unable to afford treatment.

From the very beginning of her career as an oncology nurse in the 1970s, Jean Lynn has understood the importance of education, prevention, and early detection of breast cancer.

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