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Give to all of us open minds and caring hearts and a firm commitment to the principles of freedom and tolerance established by our Nation’s founders and defended by countless patriots throughout our history.

Help us to stamp out hatred and bigotry, to embrace the love and concern for others that You have clearly shown to be Your will for all mankind. Bring peace in our time, O Lord, and give us the courage to help You do it.

For we ask this in Your name. 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.

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is whether the House will agree to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the same was agreed to,二百 sixty-five to zero.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 346 nays 45, answered “present” 1, not voting 40, as follows:

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, 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 same was agreed to,二百 sixty-five to zero.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. McNULTY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance?

Mr. McNULTY 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.

WELCOME TO REVEREND LAWSON ANDERSON, GUEST CHAPLAIN

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

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I welcome Reverend Lawson Anderson to the House floor and thank him for such an encouraging opening prayer.

Reverend Anderson is a lifelong resident of Arkansas and thousands have been blessed with his compassion and support in times of crisis. He is well-known for his wisdom, his wonderful wit, and his easy manner in any situation. After successful careers in forestry and banking, Lawson was called to the ministry and has served Episcopal congregations in Springfield, Newport, and North Little Rock.

In his life, Lawson reflects a true commitment to helping and encouraging others; from prison ministries to respite care for the elderly; from youth services to mental health; from crisis to crime prevention.

After 25 years of ministry, he continues his work. He has provided support and counseling to law enforcement officials, educators, and health professionals following the tragic school shootings in Jonesboro and the tornadoes in Central Arkansas.

He has served his community, his State, and his Nation with honor and compassion. While he reminds me that he is here today not to be praised but to pray, I am honored to have him pray with us today and to recognize the work he has done for the people of Arkansas.

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