

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, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. ISAKSON. 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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.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 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 Springdale, 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.

THE JOURNAL

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 Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. ISAKSON. 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. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER (during the vote). The Chair would like the Members' attention.

The Chair is advised that one column of the lights on the voting display panel is inoperative at this moment but that all those Members are being recorded. Members should verify their votes.

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

[Roll No. 189]
YEAS—346

Abercrombie	Bass	Boyd	Carson (OK)	Hostettler	Ose
Ackerman	Becerra	Brady (TX)	Castle	Houghton	Otter
Akin	Bentsen	Brown (FL)	Chabot	Hoyer	Oxley
Allen	Bereuter	Brown (OH)	Chambliss	Hulshof	Pascrell
Andrews	Berkley	Brown (SC)	Clayton	Hunter	Pastor
Armey	Berman	Bryant	Clyburn	Hutchinson	Paul
Baca	Berry	Burr	Coble	Hyde	Pence
Bachus	Biggert	Buyer	Collins	Inslee	Peterson (PA)
Baker	Bilirakis	Callahan	Combest	Isakson	Petri
Baldacci	Blagojevich	Calvert	Condit	Israel	Phelps
Baldwin	Blumenauer	Camp	Conyers	Issa	Pickering
Ballenger	Blunt	Cannon	Cooksey	Jackson (IL)	Pitts
Barcia	Boehler	Cantor	Coyne	Jackson-Lee	Pombo
Barr	Boehner	Capito	Cramer	(TX)	Pomeroy
Barrett	Bonilla	Capps	Crenshaw	Jefferson	Portman
Bartlett	Bono	Cardin	Crowley	Jenkins	Quinn
Barton	Boswell	Carson (IN)	Cubin	Johnson (CT)	Radanovich
			Culberson	Johnson (IL)	Rahall
			Cunningham	Johnson, E. B.	Rangel
			Davis (CA)	Johnson, Sam	Regula
			Davis (FL)	Jones (NC)	Rehberg
			Davis (IL)	Jones (OH)	Reyes
			Davis, Jo Ann	Kanjorski	Reynolds
			Davis, Tom	Keller	Riley
			Deal	Kennedy (RI)	Rivers
			DeGette	Kerns	Rodriguez
			Delahunt	Kildee	Roemer
			DeLauro	Kilpatrick	Rogers (KY)
			DeLay	Kind (WI)	Rogers (MI)
			DeMint	King (NY)	Rohrabacher
			Deutsch	Kirk	Ros-Lehtinen
			Diaz-Balart	Kleczka	Ross
			Dicks	Knollenberg	Rothman
			Dingell	Kolbe	Roukema
			Doggett	LaFalce	Royce
			Dooley	LaHood	Rush
			Dreier	Lampson	Ryan (WI)
			Duncan	Langevin	Sandlin
			Dunn	Lantos	Sawyer
			Edwards	Larson (CT)	Saxton
			Ehlers	Leach	Scarborough
			Ehrlich	Lee	Schiff
			Emerson	Levin	Schrock
			Engel	Lewis (CA)	Scott
			English	Lewis (KY)	Sensenbrenner
			Eshoo	Linder	Serrano
			Etheridge	Lofgren	Sessions
			Evans	Lowe	Shadegg
			Everett	Lucas (KY)	Shaw
			Farr	Lucas (OK)	Shays
			Ferguson	Luther	Sherman
			Flake	Maloney (NY)	Sherwood
			Fletcher	Manzullo	Shimkus
			Foley	Markey	Shows
			Ford	Mascara	Shuster
			Frank	Matheson	Simmons
			Frelinghuysen	Matsui	Simpson
			Frost	McCarthy (MO)	Skeen
			Gallely	McCarthy (NY)	Skelton
			Ganske	McCollum	Smith (NJ)
			Gekas	McCrery	Smith (TX)
			Gephardt	McGovern	Smith (WA)
			Gibbons	McHugh	Snyder
			Gilchrest	McInnis	Solis
			Gillmor	McIntyre	Souder
			Gilman	McKeon	Spence
			Gonzalez	McKinney	Spratt
			Goode	McNulty	Stark
			Goodlatte	Meehan	Stearns
			Gordon	Meek (FL)	Stenholm
			Goss	Meeks (NY)	Strickland
			Graham	Mica	Stump
			Granger	Millender	Sununu
			Graves	McDonald	Tanner
			Green (TX)	Miller (FL)	Tauscher
			Green (WI)	Miller, Gary	Tauzin
			Greenwood	Miller, George	Taylor (NC)
			Grucci	Mink	Terry
			Gutierrez	Mollohan	Thomas
			Hall (OH)	Moran (KS)	Thornberry
			Hall (TX)	Moran (VA)	Thune
			Hansen	Morella	Thurman
			Harman	Murtha	Tiahrt
			Hart	Myrick	Tiberti
			Hastings (WA)	Nadler	Tierney
			Hayes	Napolitano	Traficant
			Hayworth	Neal	Turner
			Hill	Nethercutt	Upton
			Hilleary	Ney	Vitter
			Hobson	Northup	Walden
			Hoeffel	Norwood	Walsh
			Hoekstra	Nussle	Wamp
			Holden	Obey	Watkins (OK)
			Honda	Olver	Watson (CA)
			Hooley	Ortiz	Watt (NC)
			Horn	Osborne	Watts (OK)