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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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


I hereby appoint the Honorable DAN MILLER 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:

Praise the Lord, as servants of the Lord, let us praise the name of the Lord together.

From the rising of the Sun in the east to its setting in the west may praise of the Lord for blessings be heard from coast to coast. Our God, who is above all the nations of the Earth does not overlook the most lowly or the most unfortunate in this world.

The Lord’s greatness does not distance the Lord from His people. Our God is to be found always in their midst.

None is like the Lord in love and concern. That is why the Lord is the model and the guide of the Members of this House and all public servants everywhere.

The Lord lifts up the weak to confront the proud-hearted and raises the poor to equal status with the powerful.

The Lord is mindful always that parents are the most powerful on Earth over their children, yet all are one in His sight.

For all the great deeds of mercy, let us praise the name of the Lord now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the House and announces that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o’clock and 7 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, July 17, 2001, at 9 a.m., for morning hour debates.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Moynahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2217. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2217) “An Act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes’ requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. BYRD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. REID, Mr. DORGAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. CAMPBELL to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICIAL OBJECTORS FOR THE PRIVATE CALENDAR FOR THE 107TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker announced that the official objectors for the Private Calendar for the 107th Congress are as follows:

For the majority:

Mr. COBLE, North Carolina; Mr. BARR, Georgia; Mr. CHABOT, Ohio.

For the minority:

Mr. BOUCHER, Virginia; Ms. DELAURO, Connecticut.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12, rule I, the House will stand in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o’clock and 5 minutes p.m.) the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Goss) at 7 o’clock and 6 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2500, DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2002

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 107–141) on the resolution (H. Res. 192) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2500) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o’clock and 7 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, July 17, 2001, at 9 a.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

2894. A letter from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department’s Assessment of Fiscal Year 1998 Sexual Harassment Complaints and Sexual Misconduct; to the Committee on Armed Services.

2895. A letter from the Chief, Division of General and International Law, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department’s final rule—Service Obligation Reporting Requirements for United States Merchant Marine Academy and State Maritime School Graduates [Docket No. MARAD–2000–xxxx] received July 9, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

2896. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a report on United States military personnel and United States civilians retained as contractors in Colombia in support of Plan Colombia; to the Committee on Armed Services.

2897. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the annual report of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for Fiscal Year 2000, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5617; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2898. A letter from the Principal Deputy Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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