

SENATE—Friday, January 3, 1992

The Senate met at 11:55 a.m., pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 260, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. BYRD].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. In our supplications and petitions to the Almighty, Lord of Hosts, the Senate will be led in prayer by the Chaplain, Richard C. Halverson.

Dr. Halverson, please.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Richard C. Halverson, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

*Where there is no vision, the people perish * * *.*—Proverbs 29:18.

Eternal God, Lord of history, we open the 2d session of the 102d Congress at a time of profound crises in the Nation and the world. Somehow, Lord, grant to the Senators and their staffs a perspective on the present situation that comprehends the causes of the crises. Give them a vision for the future that is equal to the enormous task which they face. Save Your servants from self-interests which reduce perilous issues to a business as usual attitude. During the next 18 days prepare them for their immense responsibility with its demand for unprecedented greatness.

Gracious Father, thank You for the recovery of Senator DOLE. We pray for him and all the Senators, their loved ones and staffs, health and strength commensurate with the days ahead.

In the name of Jesus who leads the world by love and sacrifice. Amen.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be in order.

LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order the time until 12 o'clock noon is to be equally divided and controlled by the two leaders.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

THE DISTINGUISHED REPUBLICAN LEADER

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. President, I want to welcome my colleagues back. Today's session will not include the transaction of any business. But I think I would be remiss if I did not note our pleasure at the full and swift recovery of our colleague, the distinguished Republican leader, Senator DOLE, who, as we know, was operated on during the recent break.

I know that I speak for every single Member of the Senate, Democrat and Republican alike, in saying that our prayers and thoughts have been with him, and we look forward to working with him in the coming session.

Mr. President, I now suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The absence of a quorum has been suggested. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Saunders, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The hour provided under the Constitution for the convening of the 2d session of the 102d Congress having arrived, the 1st session of the 102d Congress is adjourned sine die.

(Whereupon, at 12 noon, the Senate adjourned sine die.)

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate January 3, 1992:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JOHN P. WALTERS, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SUPPLY REDUCTION, OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY, VICE STANLEY E. MORRIS, RESIGNED.

RESOLUTION TRUST CORPORATION

ALBERT V. CASEY, OF TEXAS, TO BE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, RESOLUTION TRUST CORPORATION. (NEW POSITION.)