

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Friday, October 6, 1995

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mrs. MORELLA].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
October 6, 1995.

I hereby designate the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Let us pray using the words of Isaac Watts:

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guide while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

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 Virginia [Mr. DAVIS] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DAVIS 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, October 6, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Tuesday, October 3, 1995 at 3:55 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he returns without his approval H.R. 1854 the "Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1996."

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996—VETO MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 104-122)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following veto message from the President of the United States:

To the House of Representatives:

I am returning today without my approval H.R. 1854, the "Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 1996."

H.R. 1854 is, in fact, a disciplined bill, one that I would sign under different circumstances. But, at this point, Congress has completed action on only 2 of the 13 FY 1996 appropriations bills: this one and H.R. 1817, the Military Construction appropriations bill. Thus, the vast majority of Federal activities lack final FY 1996 funding and are operating under a short-term continuing resolution.

I appreciate the willingness of Congress to work with my administration to produce an acceptable short-term continuing resolution before completing action on the regular, full-year appropriations bills for FY 1996. I believe, however, that it would be inappropriate to provide full-year regular funding for Congress and its offices while funding for most other activities of Government remains incomplete, unresolved, and uncertain.

As I said 2 months ago, I don't think Congress should take care of its own business before it takes care of the people's business. I stated that if the congressional leadership were to follow

through on its plan to send me its own funding bill before finishing work on the rest of the budget, I would veto it. I am now following through on that commitment.

I urge the Congress to move forward promptly on completing the FY 1996 appropriations bills in a form that I can accept.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, October 3, 1995.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The objections of the President will be spread at large upon the Journal, and the veto message and bill will be printed as a House document.

Mr. DAVIS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to postpone consideration of the President's veto message on the bill H.R. 1854 until Thursday, October 12, 1995.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DAVIS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on the veto message of the President to the bill, H.R. 1854, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE MARGE ROUKEMA, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable MARGE ROUKEMA, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, July 27, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, Office of The Speaker, H-232, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Due to the increasing demands placed on me as Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and other legislative duties, I hereby resign as a Member of the Glass Ceiling Commission, established pursuant to P.L. 102-166.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

MARGE ROUKEMA.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBER OF GLASS CEILING COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable RICHARD ARMEY, majority leader, and the Honorable RICHARD GEPHARDT, minority leader:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 3, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Wash-
ington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 203(b)(1)(G) of Public Law 102-166, we hereby appoint the following Member of the House of Representatives to serve as a member of the Glass Ceiling Commission: The Honorable Sue Kelly of New York.

Sincerely,

RICHARD ARMEY,
Majority Leader.
RICHARD GEPHARDT,
Minority Leader.

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, October 6, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Wash-
ington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in clause 5 of rule III of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following messages from the Secretary of the Senate on Monday, October 2, 1995 at 2:25 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amend-
ment H.R. 2288;

That the Senate passed S. 1254; and

That the Senate passed S. Con. Res. 29.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled bills on Saturday, September 30, 1995: H.R. 2404, to extend authorities under the Middle East Facilitation Act of 1994 until November 1, 1995, and for other purposes.

And the Speaker pro tempore signed the following enrolled bills on Monday, October 2, 1995: H.R. 2288, to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend for 2 years the deadline by which States are required to have in effect an automated data processing and information retrieval system for use in the administration of State plans for child and spousal support; and S. 895, to amend the Small Business Act to reduce the level of participation by the Small Business Administration in certain loans guaranteed by the Administration, and for other purposes.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DAVIS to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes each day, on October 10, 11, 12, and 13.

Mr. WAMP, for 5 minutes, on October 10.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DAVIS) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. COMBEST.

Mr. GOODLING.

Mr. DAVIS.

Mr. BONIOR in two instances.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 29. Concurrent resolution providing for marking the celebration of Jerusalem on the occasion of its 3,000th anniversary; to the Committee on House Oversight.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2288. An act to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend for 2 years the deadline by which States are required to have in effect an automated data processing and information retrieval system for use in the administration of State plans for child and spousal support; and

H.R. 2404. An act to extend authorities under the Middle East Facilitation Act of 1994 until November 1, 1995, and for other purposes.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 895. An act to amend the Small Business Act to reduce the level of participation by the Small Business Administration in certain loans guaranteed by the Administration, and for other purposes.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on the following dates

present to the President, for his approval, bills and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.J. Res. 108. An act making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2399. An act to amend the Truth in Lending Act to clarify the intent of such act and to reduce burdensome regulatory requirements on creditors.

September 30, 1995:

H.R. 2404. An act to extend authorities under the Middle East Facilitation Act of 1994 until November 1, 1995, and for other purposes.

October 3, 1995:

H.R. 2288. An act to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend for 2 years the deadline by which States are required to have in effect an automated data processing and information retrieval system for use in the administration of State plans for child and spousal support.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 8 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, October 10, 1995, at 12:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1483. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a violation of the Antideficiency Act in the Office of the Air Force Surgeon General at Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

1484. A letter from the Deputy and Acting CEO, Resolution Trust Corporation and the Executive Director, Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting the Corporation's unaudited financial statements for the 6-month period ending June 30, 1995, pursuant to Public Law 102-233, section 106(e)(1) (105 Stat. 1765); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1485. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting a report involving United States exports to Kuwait, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3)(i); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1486. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of the fifth monthly report pursuant to the Mexican Debt Disclosure Act of 1995, pursuant to Public Law 104-6, section 404(a) (109 Stat. 90); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1487. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting a report covering the administration of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act [ERISA] during calendar year 1993, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1143(b); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

1488. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the

transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Malaysia (Transmittal No. DTC-55-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1489. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the extent of compliance of the independent states of the former Soviet Union with the biological weapons convention and other international agreements relating to the control of biological weapons, pursuant to Public Law 103-337, section 1207(c) (108 Stat. 2885); to the Committee on International Relations.

1490. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report of U.S. citizen expropriation claims and certain other commercial and investment disputes, pursuant to Public Law 103-236, section 527(f); to the Committee on International Relations.

1491. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1492. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting the Secretary's management report for the period ending March 31, 1995, pursuant to Public Law 101-576, sec-

tion 306(a) (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1493. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting proposed regulations governing communications disclaimer requirements (11 C.F.R. sections 110.11), pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 438(d); to the Committee on House Oversight.

1494. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify disbursement agreement authority to include residents and interns serving in any Department facility providing hospital care or medical services; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. STUMP: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 2394. A bill to increase, effective as of December 1, 1995, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans (Rept.

104-273). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII,

164. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Washington, relative to postratification of amendment XXVII to the U.S. Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

- H.R. 104: Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. MANTON, and Mr. HUTCHINSON.
- H.R. 325: Mrs. KELLY.
- H.R. 528: Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. OBERSTAR, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. BREWSTER, Mr. PAXON, and Mr. CALVERT.
- H.R. 863: Mr. OLVER, Mr. FATTAH, and Mr. FAZIO of California.
- H.R. 1742: Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida and Mr. FOGLIETTA.
- H.R. 1749: Mr. BLUTE and Mr. CHABOT.
- H.R. 2447: Mr. JACOBS.
- H. Con. Res. 26: Mr. ZIMMER.