

SENATE—Saturday, December 23, 1995

(Legislative day of Friday, December 22, 1995)

The Senate met at 11:03 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the Honorable JOHN W. WARNER, a Senator from the State of Virginia.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Father Paul Lavin, pastor of Saint Joseph's on Capitol Hill, Washington, DC, will give the prayer.

PRAYER

The guest Chaplain, Father Paul Lavin, pastor of Saint Joseph's on Capitol Hill, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

In Psalm 86 David sings:

Teach me, O Lord, your way that I may walk in your truth, single-hearted and revering your name.
I will praise you with all my heart, glorify your name forever, Lord my God.

Your love for me is great; you have rescued me from the depths of hell.

As we join so many of our fellow citizens in celebrating Hanukkah or in celebrating the birth of Christ, please give us a renewed reverence for Your love in our lives. Help us to value the freedom that You have given us; help

us to support one another in responding to the freedom You have given us and keep us mindful and thankful for those who put themselves in harm's way on our behalf, our firefighters, our police officers, and the members of our armed services.

We ask all this in Your divine name. Amen.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 23, 1995.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN WARNER, a Senator from the State of Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

STROM THURMOND,
President pro tempore.

Mr. WARNER thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. If there is no objection, the distinguished majority leader is recognized.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Mr. DOLE. Only to wish everybody a happy holiday season.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 1 P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1995

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. I now announce that the Senate stands in adjournment, under the previous order, until Wednesday, December 27, 1995, at 1 p.m.

Thereupon, at 11:05 a.m., the Senate adjourned, under the order of Friday, December 22, 1995, until Wednesday, December 27, 1995, at 1 p.m.