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U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Washington, DC
April 29, 2005

HON. J. DENNIS Hastert,
Speaker, House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

Dear Mr. Speaker: I have been nominated as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, effective five days after the nomination of the gentleman from Ohio, pursuant to clause 7 of rule II and the order of the House is adjusted to 434.

It has been a honor to represent the Second Congressional District of Ohio for the past twelve years, and an honor to work with you and the Ohio delegation, I look forward to working with you and serving Ohio and the Nation in my new position.

Sincerely,

ROB PORTMAN
Representative


HON. ROBERT Taft,
Governor, State of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Governor Taft: I have been nominated as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives. I hereby resign as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, effective 12 noon, April 29, 2006.

It has been a honor to represent the Second Congressional District of Ohio for the past twelve years, and an honor to work with you and the Ohio delegation. I look forward to working with you and serving Ohio and the Nation in my new position.

Sincerely,

ROB PORTMAN
Representative

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. PORTMAN), the whole number the resignation of the gentleman from Ohio announces to the House that, in light of clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces that on Thursday, April 29, 2005, the House will stand adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2005, for morning hour debates.

There was no objection. Accordingly, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2005, for morning hour debates.

There was no objection. Accordingly, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

Senate Bills Referred
Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker’s table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 382. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 976. An act striking the Specific Privatization Criteria in ORBIT for Intelsat Separated Entities and Intransit and Other Technical Corrections; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

ADJOURNMENT
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2005, for morning hour debates.

There was no objection. Accordingly, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 3, 2005, at 12:30 p.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:

S. 1750. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting Evaluation and report on Tricare Program effectiveness for FY 2006, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1070 note; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 1751. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the FY 2006 Performance Report to Congress required by the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act (MDUFMA); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

S. 1752. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report entitled “Supporting Democracy and Human Rights: The U.S. Record,” pursuant to Public Law 107-228, section 665; to the Committee on International Relations.

APPOINTMENT AS HISTORIAN OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 7 of rule II and the order of the House of January 4, 2005, the Chair announces that on Thursday, April 29, 2005, the Speaker appointed Dr. Robert V. Remeni as Historian of the United States House of Representatives.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:
May 2, 2005

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1764. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, OCAO, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Cost Accounting Standards Administration [FAC 2005-01; FAR Case 1999-025; Item VI] (RIN: 9000-A770) received March 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1765. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, OCAO, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Elimination of Certain Subcontract Notification Requirements [FAC 2005-01; FAR Case 2003-024; Item VII] (RIN: 9000-AK10) received March 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1766. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, OCAO, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments [FAC 2005-01; Item IX] received March 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1767. A letter from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, OCAO, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration’s final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Use of FAR Clause 52.244-6, Subcontracts for Commercial Items [FAC 2005-01; FAR Case 2003-022; Item VIII] (RIN: 9000-AJ75) received March 16, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.


REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

(The following report was filed on April 29, 2005)

Mr. OXLEY: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1185. A bill to reform the Federal deposit insurance system, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 109-67). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CASTLE (for himself, Mr. BASS, and Mr. BACHRACH):

H.R. 2041. A bill to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCNULTY:

H.R. 2942. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of a monthly stipend to the surviving parents (known as “Gold Star parents”) of members of the Armed Forces who die during a period of war; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

H.J. Res. 47. A joint resolution increasing the statutory limit on the public debt.

By Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California (for herself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. WATERS, Mr. MORGAN of Virginia, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. BECERRA, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. GRALIA, Mr. GALLAGHER, Ms. WATSON, Mr. FULNER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. MEKES of New York, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. SPARROW, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HINCHELY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. THIEREN, Mr. MEHMOOD, Ms. KINNEY, Ms. KAPUT, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. MILLER-MCDONALD, Mr. FARR, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. FORD, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. WEAVER, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. BARD, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. DELAURIE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, and Mr. KELLER):

H. Con. Res. 142. Concurrent resolution congratulating Disneyland and the Walt Disney Company on the 50th Anniversary of the opening of Disneyland; to the Committee on Government Reform.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS TO PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 354: Mr. GALLEGO.

H.R. 363: Mr. FLETCHER.

H.R. 531: Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan.

H.R. 716: Mr. CARDOZA.

H.R. 745: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 923: Mr. PAUL.

H.R. 1191: Mr. GILCHREST and Mr. SERRANO.

H.R. 1362: Mr. CLAY and Mr. MENENDEZ.

H.R. 1392: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 1522: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia and Ms. NAPOLITANO, Mr. BETO, Mr. JONES of Georgia, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. GALLAGHER, Ms. WATSON, Mr. FULNER, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. MEKES of New York, Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. GINGRICH, Mr. SPARROW, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HINCHELY, Mr. OWENS, Mr. THIEREN, Mr. MEHMOOD, Ms. KINNEY, Ms. KAPUT, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. MILLER-MCDONALD, Mr. FARR, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. FORD, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. WEAVER, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. BARD, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. DELAURIE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, and Mr. KELLER):

H. Res. 180: Ms. WOOLSEY.

H. Res. 195: Mrs. BLACKBURN.