

And I think as you said earlier, they start changing the way that America works so that we can use these dollars in a much more constructive way.

We have recognized the problems that ineffective Washington spending has reaped on this country. The symptoms are here in Washington. They are around in our urban centers around the country. They are in our smaller communities, our rural communities.

We are going to go after those problems and we are going to move accountability and responsibility to where change can be affected most efficiently and most quickly, which is at the local level.

Mr. SHAYS. You know, during the course of your last comments, you pointed out that our budget resolution, which is really a plan and an agreement between the House and the Senate on how we are going to reach a new deficit by the seventh year, has to be implemented by the Appropriations Committee that will make decisions on defense spending and domestic spending; will have to be implemented by the Ways and Means Committee that makes decisions on taxes; Ways and Means and Energy Committee making decisions on entitlements.

So all of this, we are going to be doing a lot of wrestling in the next three or four months. And the key point as far as I am concerned is that the President needs to weigh in in a positive way. And I have made a determination, with a number of my colleagues, that I am not voting to increase the Federal debt ceiling. If the President is not going to weigh in on getting this budget balanced, our financial House in order, too often we have allowed the debt ceiling to climb, we are willing to shut down government.

Not essential services, but we are simply willing to shut down the government and call the question. And I wish it had happened 10 years ago. If it had happened 10 years ago, we would not be in the mess we are in today.

But as you point out, a lot of what we intend to do is to move this government from the Federal to the State and local level. And as I think about it, and I have to admit that I did not use to think this way. I used to think if people had different shoe sizes, the Federal Government would make sure that everybody had the right shoe size.

Instead, Washington tries to make one size fit all. So if people have a size 3, or some 18 or 16 or 15 or 10, they create and we create the shoes in the size of 9 and say: Everybody has got to wear them.

I would prefer Mississippi to have a system that fits them; Michigan to have a system that fits them; and for us in Connecticut to have a system that fits our needs and our concerns.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. I think of much of what we do in Michigan would work in Connecticut. We will export our solutions over to you.

Mr. SHAYS. I will jump in, because that is what you do with your gov-

ernor. Governor Engler has made a lot of exciting reforms and the reforms are coming from states like Michigan where you have seen welfare reform and other reforms that the Federal Government has been reluctant to take.

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Yes, the next 5 or 6 months will be tough. We have a lot of work to do, even though we now have a budget document. There are issues that you and I will disagree on.

I think the exciting thing about the process that we have gone through in the last 6 months, and that we look forward to in the next 6 months, is that we have a large group of Members who do have their sights on the same vision: Creating a better America; understanding the things that we need to do to get there; understanding the many different strategies. Differing on some of the projects, but recognizing that an ability to dialogue, an ability to work together in a partnership, both on this side of the aisle, across the aisle, to the Senate, hopefully to the President, back to grassroots America. That through that dialogue and through that partnership, and only through that dialogue and only through that partnership, will we reach the type of solutions that get us to our objective and get us there in a very positive and constructive way.

So we are going to have to work through lots of differences on projects, but we recognize that we have to work through those differences. We have to reach agreement. And that as we reach agreement, we, together, will reach the goals and the missions that we have outlined.

So I think it is going to be a tough 5 or 6 months. It is going to be a very satisfying 5 or 6 months, because at the end we will have made a difference. We have been working at it for a long period of time. And we are going to take some gigantic steps in 1995 and then we have 6 more years of work to do to make sure that we get to that zero, because we have to stay disciplined for that time.

I thank the gentleman for sharing this time with me.

Mr. SHAYS. I thank the gentleman. I agree so strongly with the gentlemen words, I would like them to be what is the last words and I yield back my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. YATES (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of illness.

Miss COLLINS of Michigan (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 27 and 28, on account of illness.

Mr. MFUME (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of travel delays.

Mr. GUNDERSON (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today, on account of family illness.

Mr. CAMP (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today, on account of the birth of his son, Andrew David Camp.

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. FARR) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FARR, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FUNDERBURK, for 5 minutes each day, on June 29 and June 30.

Ms. SEASTRAND, for 5 minutes, on June 28.

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GOSS, for 5 minutes each day, today and on June 28.

Mr. RIGGS, for 5 minutes each day, today and on June 28, 29, and 30.

Mr. HOKE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes each day, today and on June 28, 29, and 30.

Mr. CHAMBLISS, for 5 minutes each day, today and on June 28, 29, and 30.

Mr. DORNAN, for 5 minutes each day, today and on June 28.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

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

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

Mr. MILLER.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. HOYER.

Mr. MARKEY.

Mr. BEILENSON.

Mr. BERMAN in two instances.

Ms. SLAUGHTER.

Mrs. SCHROEDER.

Mr. NADLER.

Mr. GORDON.

Mr. BARCIA.

Mr. MORAN.

Mr. HAMILTON.

Mr. ENGEL.

Mr. FILNER.

Mr. TUCKER in two instances.

Ms. MCCARTHY.

Mr. TOWNS.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. HUNTER.

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.

Mr. RADANOVICH.

Mr. EHRlich.

Mr. FORBES.

Mr. BLILEY.

Mr. MARTINI.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

Mr. TAYLOR.

Mr. HYDE.
 Mr. SHUSTER.
 Mr. STUMP.
 Mr. BURTON of Indiana.
 Mr. JONES.
 Mr. GILLMOR in two instances.
 Mr. QUINN.
 Mr. HOKE.
 Mr. LAZIO of New York.
 Mr. SOLOMON in two instances.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, June 28, 1995, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1082. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to clarify an ambiguity relating to the applicability of section 3703a of title 46, United States Code, to vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet; to the Committee on National Security.

1083. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting a report on changes and progress in the operations involving regulatory resources for the Office, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1462a(g); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1084. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting the Office's 1994 annual report to Congress on implementation of the Community Reinvestment Act, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 2904; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1085. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Energy Efficient Environmental Program for Pollution Prevention in Industry," pursuant to Public Law 102-486, section 2108(c) (106 Stat. 3071); to the Committee on Commerce.

1086. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Army's proposed lease of defense articles to Brazil (Transmittal No. 21-95) pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1087. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Navy's proposed lease of defense articles to Brazil (Transmittal No. 22-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1088. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Brazil (Transmittal No. 24-95), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1089. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of a memorandum of justification for drawdown under section 552 of the Foreign Assistance Act to support the Haitian police forces, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2348a; to the Committee on International Relations.

1090. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the bi-

monthly report on progress toward a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus question, including any relevant reports from the Secretary General of the United Nations, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2373(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1091. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the inspector general's semi-annual report for the period October 1, 1994, through March 31, 1995, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1092. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-67, "Pennsylvania Avenue Development Area Parks and Plaza Public Safety Temporary Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1093. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-68, "Prohibition on the Transfer of Firearms Temporary Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1094. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-69, "Insurance Omnibus Temporary Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1095. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-70, "Industrial Revenue Bond Forward Commitment Program Authorization Temporary Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1096. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-71, "Limited Liability Company Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1097. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-72, "Business Corporation Five-Year Report Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1098. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-73, "Public Accountancy Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1099. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-74, "Commercial Piracy Protection and Deceptive Labeling Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1100. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-76, "Isle of Palms Plaza Designation Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1101. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-77, "Nonprofit Corporation Five-Year Report Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1102. A letter from the Inspector General, General Services Administration, transmitting the office's audit report register, including all financial recommendations, for the

period ending March 31, 1995 pursuant to Public Law 101-576, section 305 (104 Stat. 2853); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1103. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Secretary's management report on management decisions and final actions on Office of Inspector General audit recommendations, for the period ending March 31, 1995, pursuant to Public Law 101-576, section 306(a) (104 Stat. 2854); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1104. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the 1993-1994 report to Congress on programs for the utilization and donation of Federal personal property, pursuant to Public Law 101-612, section 5 (102 Stat. 3181); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1105. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. Equal Opportunity Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the inspector general for the period March 31, 1995, and the management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1106. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the annual report entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Lease Sales" for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1337(a)(9); to the Committee on Resources.

1107. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to permit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reorganize the Veterans Health Administration notwithstanding the notice and wait requirements of section 510 of title 38, United States Code, and to amend title 38, United States Code, to facilitate the reorganization of the headquarters of the Veterans Health Administration; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1108. A letter from the Deputy Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting an informational copy of the space situation report for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration consolidation for Hampton Roads, VA, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 606(a); jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and Transportation and Infrastructure.

1109. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, transmitting the Attorney General's report on risk exposure of private entities covered by the Federally Supported Health Centers Assistance Act of 1992; jointly, to the Committees on the Judiciary and Commerce.

1110. A letter from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting a report on the actuarial status of the railroad retirement system, including any recommendations for financing changes, pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 321f-1; jointly, to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means.

1111. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Transition Assistance Program: Phase III Impact Analysis," pursuant to Public Law 101-237, section 408(d) (103 Stat. 2084); jointly, to the Committees on National Security, Economic and Educational Opportunities, and 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: