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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 3, 1996, at 1:30 p.m.

House of Representatives

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 1996

The House met at 10 a.m.

The Reverend Brewster Y. Beach, vicar emeritus, St. Peter's Episcopal Church-Lithgow, Millbrook, NY, of-

fered the following prayer:

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world, we commend to Thy merciful care the women, men, and children of every land whom Thou hast created, that seeking Thy guidance they may dwell secure in Thy peace. We pray especially this day for those to whom have been given the ordering of our common affairs in this our land. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in Thy fear and devotion. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in Thee to fail. All which we ask in Thy name and for Thy sake. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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 Jour-

nal stands approved.

Mr. WISE. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WISE. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 325, nays 66, answered "present" 1, not voting 41, as follows:

[Roll No. 199]

YEAS—325

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Myrick Neumann Ney Norwood Nussle Obey Ortiz Orton Owens Oxley Packard Parker Pastor Paxon Payne (NJ) Payne (VA) Pelosi Peterson (MN) Petri Pombo Porter Portman Poshard Pryce Quillen Quinn Radanovich Rahall Ramstad Rangel Reed Regula Richardson Riggs Rivers Roberts Rogers Rohrabacher Ros-Lehtinen Rose Roth Roybal-Allard Royce Salmon Sanders Sanford Saxton Scarborough Schiff

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Skaggs	Tauzin	Waxman
Skeen	Taylor (NC)	Weldon (FL)
Skelton	Thomas	Weldon (PA)
Smith (MI)	Thornberry	White
Smith (NJ)	Thornton	Wicker
Smith (WA)	Thurman	Wise
Solomon	Torres	Woolsey
Souder	Torricelli	Young (AK)
Spence	Towns	Young (FL)
Spratt	Traficant	Zeliff

NAYS-66

Abercrombie	Funderburk	Menendez
Becerra	Gephardt	Neal
Borski	Gillmor	Oberstar
Brown (CA)	Gutierrez	Pallone
Brown (FL)	Gutknecht	Pickett
Brown (OH)	Hefley	Roemer
Bunn	Hefner	Rush
Chapman	Heineman	Sabo
Chrysler	Hilleary	Schroeder
Clay	Hilliard	Slaughter
Clyburn	Hinchey	Stockman
Collins (IL)	Jacobs	Taylor (MS)
Costello	Johnson, E. B.	Thompson
DeFazio	LaFalce	Torkildsen
Dingell	Latham	Vento
Durbin	Levin	Visclosky
English	Lewis (GA)	Volkmer
Ensign	Longley	Weller
Everett	Maloney	Whitfield
Fazio	Martini	Wolf
Filner	McDermott	Yates
Fox	McNulty	Zimmer

ANSWERED "PRESENT"-1

Harman

NOT VOTING-41

Beilenson	Gibbons	Nethercutt
Boucher	Gilchrest	Olver
Bryant (TX)	Greene (UT)	Peterson (FL)
Christensen	Hayes	Pomeroy
Coleman	Herger	Roukema
Cummings	Houghton	Smith (TX)
de la Garza	Jefferson	Stark
Dornan	Kennelly	Tejeda
Engel	Lincoln	Tiahrt
Eshoo	Livingston	Waters
Fattah	McDade	Williams
Fields (LA)	Molinari	Wilson
Foglietta	Mollohan	Wynn
Ford	Moran	

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So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. POMEROY. Mr. Speaker, today, May 30, I was not present to record my votes on rollcall votes No. 199 and No. 200. I was unavoidably absent due to the arrival yesterday of my adopted son, Scott Kirby Pomeroy, from Korea.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentle-woman from North Carolina [Mrs. CLAYTON] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. CLAYTON 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.

WELCOME TO THE REVEREND BREWSTER BEACH

(Mrs. KELLY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute)

Mrs. KELLY. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I am delighted to welcome Rev. Brewster Beach to the Halls of Congress and recognize him for delivering that inspirational opening prayer.

Reverend Beach has recently retired from St. Peter's Episcopal Church of Lithgow where his devotion and dedication helped the church grow considerably. Over the years, Reverend Beach started a Sunday School, formed a choir, expanded the church hall, and almost doubled the size of the parish. He is well known throughout the Hudson Valley and into New York City, not only as a minister but as a psychotherapist.

I would like to thank former Congressman Hamilton Fish for arranging to have Reverend Beach lead us in our opening prayer. We are all honored that he traveled all the way from Millbrook, NY, to join us today. Thank you again, Rev. Brewster Beach.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, May 30, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the unofficial election returns received from the Honorable Phil Keisling, Secretary of State, State of Oregon, indicating that, according to the incomplete results of the Special Election held on May 21, 1996, the Honorable Earl Blumenauer was elected to the office of Representative in Congress, from the Third Congressional District, State of Oregon.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE.

STATE OF OREGON, Salem, OR, May 22, 1996.

Hon. ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk, House of Representatives, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR ROBIN: Pursuant to your request, I am faxing to you the unofficial returns for the Special Election for Representative in Congress in the Third Congressional District as obtained from the Multnomah and Clackamas County Elections. I must emphasize the fact that these returns cannot be considered official since, pursuant to Oregon law, the official returns are not due to the Secretary of States' Office, Elections Division until June 10, 1996. Also, the Elections Division has until June 20, 1996 to canvass the votes and certify the election results. This notification, therefore, cannot be construed as an official certification as required by ORS 254.545 of the Oregon Election Laws.

On May 21, 1996, a special election was held to elect a U.S. Representative to Oregon's Third Congressional District, for a term ending in January, 1997. The incomplete results, as of 12:00 noon May 22, as reported by Multnomah County and Clackamas County, were as follows: (see page 2)
Sincerely,

PHIL KEISLING, Secretary of State.

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, THIRD DISTRICT, "INCOMPLETE RESULTS"

	Multnomah	Clackamas
Blumenauer, 50,125 equal Brunelle, 17,085 equal Keating, 2,916 equal Guillebeau, 1,604 equal	46,135 14,725 2,703 1,501	3,990 2,360 213 103

Absentees still to be counted as of 12:00 noon, May 22, 1996:

Multnomah	Co.	estimated	to	
count				22,500
Clackamas	Co.	estimated	to	
count				4,000
Total				26 500

Final Certification of the election, as required under Oregon law, must occur no later than June 20, 1996.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE EARL BLUMENAUER, OF OR-EGON, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Oregon, Mr. EARL BLUMENAUER, be permitted to take the oath of office today. His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. Will the Memberelect and the Oregon delegation present themselves.

Mr. BLUMENAUER appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are a Member of the Congress of the United States.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE EARL BLUMENAUER TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Mr. DEFAZIO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I would first yield to the Honorable RICHARD GEPHARDT, the minority leader.

Mr. GEPHARDT. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to join all of my colleagues—Democrats and Republicans alike—as we welcome the newest Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, EARL BLUMENAUER of Portland, OR.