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The House met at 12 noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. PEASE].

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC, November 8, 1997. I hereby designate the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on

his day.
Newt Gingrich,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

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

From the scriptures we read what is required of us, and that is, to do what is just, to love mercy, and to live in humble fellowship with You, our God and our creator. So let us by Your grace, O God, keep this requirement at the center of our thoughts and at the heart of our prayers so that we will be the people You would have us be. We know too that as we attempt to walk the road of justice while hearing the various claims for truth, we are supported by Your promises which we read in the book of Psalms: "Be of good courage and he shall strengthen your heart, all you that trust in God." Bless us this day and every day we pray,

#### 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.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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. BROWN of Ohio. 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 pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

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JOHN WARNER, Chairman.

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The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 345, nays 56, not voting 32, as follows:

#### [Roll No. 616]

#### YEAS-345

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#### NAYS-56

Abercrombie Gephardt Pallone Baldacci Gutierrez Pascrell Pickett Becerra Gutknecht Bilbray Hastings (FL) Ramstad Hefley Bonior Sabo Schaffer, Bob Borski Hill Brown (CA) Brown (OH) Hilliard Scott Hulshof Sessions Johnson, E. B. Clay Spratt Clyburn Kingston . Strickland DeFazio Kucinich Stupak Delahunt Lewis (GA) Taylor (MS) Dickey English Thompson Velazquez LoBiondo Markey McNulty Visclosky Ensign Everett Meek Menendez Waters Weller Fazio Filner Miller (CA) Fox Oberstar

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Bereuter	Hinchey	Rothman
Blumenauer	Hoekstra	Schiff
Castle	Kennedy (MA)	Shaw
Costello	Klug	Stabenow
Cox	Maloney (NY)	Taylor (NC)
Cubin	McDade	Torres
Fattah	McDermott	Walsh
Foglietta	McIntosh	Weygand
Gillmor	Neumann	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Quinn	

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Mr. HILLIARD changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. SOUDER changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. PEASE]. Will the gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SOLOMON 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.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1747. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the design

and construction of additions to the parking garage and certain site improvements, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1377. An act to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to encourage retirement income savings.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills and a concurrent resolution of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 170. An act to provide for a process to authorize the use of clone pagers, and for other purposes;

S. 1079. An act to permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease;

S. 1417. An act to provide for the design, construction, furnishing and equipping of a Center for Performing Arts within the complex known as the New Mexico Hispanic Cultural Center and for other purposes.

S. 1455. An act to provide financial assistance for the relocation and expansion of Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Providence, Rhode Island.

S. 1456. An act to authorize an interpretive center at Fort Peck Dam, Montana; and

S. Con. Res. 48. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding proliferation of missile technology from Russia to Iran.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-56, the Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Panel to Review Long-Range Air Power: Samuel D. Adcock, of Virginia, and Merrill A. McPeak, of Oregon.

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will now recognize ten 1-minutes on each side of the House.

## ALLEGED WRONGDOINGS OF SECRETARY BABBITT

(Mr. GIBBONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, Americans deserve the truth and they deserve an answer. Did the Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt wield political power in exchange for the promise of a campaign contribution? Did the order to do so come from the White House? These are very serious questions that the American people deserve to have answered.

Well, let us ask Secretary Babbitt. First he says, "No." Then he says, "Yes, I did it, but I was only doing as I was told." Now the answer approved by the White House is, "I don't know." Well, how many scandals and how