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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. LATOURETTE].

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

May 1, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable STEVEN C. LATOURETTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

The Reverend Leander Wilkes, Second Baptist Church, Santa Barbara, CA, offered the following prayer:

O Thou, who art all and in all, from whom all right purposes and true judgments proceed, and in whose wisdom all who seek Thee become wise; praised be Thou. We thank Thee that through Thy grace another session is awaiting deliberations. We are mindful that You yet rule in the affairs of all peoples and nations and feel more keenly the need for Thy help.

Vouchsafe Thy guidance throughout the deliberations here, that the noble ends of justice, peace, and goodwill be attained. We pray that Thy blessing may rest upon each heart and a sense of Thy favor that will inspire each towards holier resolves, that Thou may be glorified. O Lord, our God, we trust in Thee. Amen.

### 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.

Ms. DELAURO. 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 pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. DELAURO. 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.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 343, nays 42, not voting 48, as follows:

[Roll No. 97]

YEAS—343

Ackerman  
Aderholt  
Allen  
Archer  
Armey  
Bachus  
Baker  
Baldacci  
Ballenger  
Barcia  
Barr  
Barrett (WI)  
Barton  
Bass  
Bateman  
Becerra  
Bentsen  
Bereuter  
Berman  
Berry  
Bilbray  
Bilirakis  
Bishop  
Blagojevich  
Bliley  
Blumenauer  
Blunt  
Boehlert  
Boehner  
Bonilla  
Bonior  
Boswell  
Boucher

Boyd  
Brady  
Brown (FL)  
Brown (OH)  
Bryant  
Bunning  
Burr  
Buyer  
Callahan  
Calvert  
Camp  
Campbell  
Canady  
Cannon  
Carson  
Castle  
Chabot  
Chambliss  
Christensen  
Clement  
Coble  
Coburn  
Collins  
Combest  
Cook  
Cooksey  
Cox  
Coyne  
Cramer  
Crapo  
Cubin  
Cummings  
Cunningham

Danner  
Davis (FL)  
Davis (VA)  
Deal  
DeGette  
Delahunt  
DeLay  
Dellums  
Deutsch  
Diaz-Balart  
Dickey  
Dicks  
Dixon  
Doggett  
Doolittle  
Doyle  
Dreier  
Duncan  
Dunn  
Edwards  
Ehlers  
Emerson  
Eshoo  
Etheridge  
Evans  
Everett  
Ewing  
Farr  
Fawell  
Flake  
Foley  
Ford  
Fowler

Frank (MA)  
Franks (NJ)  
Frelinghuysen  
Frost  
Gallegly  
Ganske  
Gejdenson  
Gekas  
Gibbons  
Gilchrest  
Gilman  
Goode  
Goodlatte  
Goodling  
Gordon  
Goss  
Graham  
Granger  
Greenwood  
Gutknecht  
Hall (OH)  
Hall (TX)  
Hamilton  
Hansen  
Harman  
Hastert  
Hastings (FL)  
Hastings (WA)  
Hayworth  
Hefner  
Hill  
Hilleary  
Hinojosa  
Hobson  
Hoekstra  
Holden  
Hooley  
Horn  
Hostettler  
Houghton  
Hoyer  
Hunter  
Hyde  
Inglis  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
Jefferson  
Jenkins  
John  
Johnson (CT)  
Johnson (WI)  
Johnson, E.B.  
Johnson, Sam  
Jones  
Kanjorski  
Kasich  
Kelly  
Kennedy (MA)  
Kennedy (RI)  
Kennelly  
Kildee  
Kim  
Kind (WI)  
King (NY)

Kingston  
Klecza  
Klink  
Klug  
Knollenberg  
Kolbe  
LaFalce  
LaHood  
Lampson  
Lantos  
Largent  
LaTourette  
Lazio  
Leach  
Levin  
Lewis (CA)  
Lewis (KY)  
Linder  
Lipinski  
Lofgren  
Lowey  
Lucas  
Luther  
Maloney (CT)  
Manton  
Manzullo  
Markey  
Martinez  
Mascara  
Matsui  
McCarthy (MO)  
McCarthy (NY)  
McCollum  
McCrery  
McDade  
McHale  
McHugh  
McInnis  
McIntyre  
McKeon  
McKinney  
McNulty  
Meehan  
Meek  
Menendez  
Metcalf  
Mica  
Millender  
McDonald  
Miller (CA)  
Minge  
Moakley  
Molinari  
Mollohan  
Moran (VA)  
Morella  
Murtha  
Myrick  
Neal  
Nethercutt  
Neumann  
Ney  
Norwood  
Obey  
Olver

Ortiz  
Owens  
Oxley  
Packard  
Pappas  
Parker  
Pastor  
Paul  
Paxon  
Payne  
Pease  
Pelosi  
Peterson (MN)  
Peterson (PA)  
Petri  
Pickering  
Pitts  
Pomeroy  
Portman  
Poshard  
Price (NC)  
Pryce (OH)  
Quinn  
Radanovich  
Rahall  
Rangel  
Regula  
Reyes  
Riley  
Rivers  
Rodriguez  
Roemer  
Rogan  
Rogers  
Rohrabacher  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Rothman  
Roukema  
Roybal-Allard  
Royce  
Rush  
Ryun  
Salmon  
Sanchez  
Sandlin  
Sanford  
Sawyer  
Saxton  
Scarborough  
Schaefer, Dan  
Schaffer, Bob  
Schumer  
Scott  
Sensenbrenner  
Serrano  
Sessions  
Shadegg  
Shaw  
Shays  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuster  
Sisisky  
Skaggs  
Skeen

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Skelton	Strickland	Velázquez
Slaughter	Stump	Vento
Smith (MI)	Sununu	Walsh
Smith (NJ)	Talent	Wamp
Smith (OR)	Tanner	Watkins
Smith (TX)	Tauscher	Watts (OK)
Smith, Adam	Tauzin	Waxman
Smith, Linda	Taylor (NC)	Weldon (FL)
Snowbarger	Thomas	Weldon (PA)
Snyder	Thornberry	Weyand
Solomon	Thune	White
Spence	Thurman	Whitfield
Spratt	Tiahrt	Wicker
Stabenow	Towns	Wise
Stearns	Trafigant	Woolsey
Stenholm	Turner	Wynn
Stokes	Upton	Young (FL)

## NAYS—42

Abercrombie	Filner	LoBiondo
Borski	Fox	McDermott
Brown (CA)	Furse	McGovern
Capps	Gephardt	Pallone
Chenoweth	Gillmor	Pickett
Clay	Green	Pombo
Clyburn	Gutierrez	Ramstad
Costello	Hefley	Sabo
DeLauro	Hilliard	Stark
Dingell	Hinchey	Taylor (MS)
Dooley	Hulshof	Thompson
English	Kilpatrick	Visclosky
Ensign	Kucinich	Waters
Fazio	Lewis (GA)	Weller

## NOT VOTING—48

Andrews	Foglietta	Nussle
Baesler	Forbes	Oberstar
Barrett (NE)	Gonzalez	Pascrell
Bartlett	Herger	Porter
Bono	Hutchinson	Riggs
Burton	Istook	Sanders
Cardin	Kaptur	Schiff
Clayton	Latham	Souder
Condit	Livingston	Stupak
Conyers	Maloney (NY)	Tierney
Crane	McIntosh	Torres
Davis (IL)	Miller (FL)	Watt (NC)
DeFazio	Mink	Wexler
Ehrlich	Moran (KS)	Wolf
Engel	Nadler	Yates
Fattah	Northup	Young (AK)

□ 1022

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 97, I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BONO. Mr. Speaker, unfortunately, I was unavoidably detained today and missed rollcall vote No. 97, on agreeing to the Journal. If I had been present, I certainly would have voted "yea" in its support.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. LATOURETTE]. Will the gentleman from California [Mr. CALVERT] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. CALVERT 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 Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced

that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 968. An act to amend title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to permit a waiver of the prohibition of offering nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs in certain nursing facilities.

H.R. 1001. An act to extend the term of appointment of certain members of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission.

## WELCOME TO THE REVEREND LEANDER WILKES

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

Mr. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, our morning prayer today was offered by the Reverend Leander Wilkes, who lives and works in my hometown, Santa Barbara, CA. He and his wife, Thelma, and their children, Leo, Dierdra, Jamaal, and the late Lucy are admired and respected by all who know them.

On this National Day of Prayer when we are mindful of the abundant blessings of God and are also aware of the manifest challenges we face as a nation, it is appropriate that we take our first signals of the day from a man of such consummate compassion, wisdom, good grace, and youthful optimism.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROCEDURE FOR AMENDMENTS ON H.R. 3, JUVENILE CRIME CONTROL ACT OF 1997

(Ms. PRYCE of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. The Committee on Rules may meet early next week to grant a rule which may limit the amendments to be offered to H.R. 3, the Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997. Subject to the approval of the Committee on Rules, this rule may include a provision limiting amendments to those specified in the rule. Any Member who desires to offer an amendment should submit 55 copies and a brief explanation of the amendment by noon on Monday, May 5, to the Committee on Rules at room H-312 in the Capitol.

Amendments should be drafted to the text of the bill as reported from the Committee on the Judiciary. The bill and report are to be filed today, and until such time as the text is available in the document room it will be available in the Committee on the Judiciary. Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure their amendments are properly drafted and should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the rules of the House.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces he will entertain five 1-minute speeches on each side.

## THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

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

Mr. HEFLEY. Mr. Speaker, our Nation's first call to prayer came in 1775 when the Continental Congress asked the Colonies to pray for wisdom in forming a nation. Since then, the call to prayer has continued throughout our history.

In 1952 a joint resolution by Congress, signed by President Truman, declared an annual National Day of Prayer. In 1988, the law was amended and signed by President Reagan, permanently setting the day as the first Thursday of every May.

Today is the National Day of Prayer. We are celebrating in the Cannon Caucus Room all day, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Military chiefs of staff, Cabinet Secretaries, Senators and Representatives are gathering to ask for prayers from the people. The National Day of Prayer belongs to all Americans of all faiths. It stands as a call to us to humbly come before God, seeking his guidance for our leaders and his grace upon us as a people. Please join me today by stopping by the Cannon Caucus Room to celebrate this great event. It is our prayer that during the National Day of Prayer, America will again remember the trust that made this Nation great.

## STAND UP FOR LEGAL IMMIGRANTS

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

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Mr. Speaker, another day, another story of a senior or a person with a disability who will suffer because this Congress decided to take away vital benefits from legal immigrants. Unfortunately, since we only have 92 days to go, I cannot tell the Members every story.

Today I have time to tell about Cheslaw Matyszczyk. Cheslaw worked in Poland as a Solidarity member, working hard, taking care of his family and being part of the movement that swept away communism. He came to America to provide a better future for his family, and he did. He worked hard every day at Ford Motor Co. until an accident left him disabled and unable to continue in the work force, even though he would give anything, anything to continue to provide for himself and his family. But since 92 days is not enough to tell every story, let me have Cheslaw tell you about himself:

"I am not without hope. I believe in America, and that the government of the United States won't hurt me."

Cheslaw came to our country, gave to our country, and still believes in our country. Let us show him he has a reason to believe, and stand up for legal immigrants.