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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. LAHOOD].

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

February 5, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable RAY LAHOOD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Ronald F. Christian, Office of the Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Washington, DC, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, giver of life and provider for every living thing, we pray. Grant mercy to Your children wherever they may live. May food be always sufficient, may love be always present, may hope be never absent, and may care be constantly available to every one.

Almighty God, giver of life and provider for every living thing, we pray grant comfort to people who grieve. May none of us want for family, may all of us be a friend, may each of us have a home, and may every person be courageous in service.

Almighty God, giver of life and provider for every living thing, we pray look with favor on this people, our Nation. May we be selfless first and selfish last. May we offer credit early and seek fame late. May we be just and do right, shunning unfair advantage always. May we want peace now and conflict never.

Almighty God, hear our prayer, 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. ROS-LEHTINEN. 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. ROS-LEHTINEN. 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. Pursuant to clause 5, rule I, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida 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. Charlene McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution:

S. RES. 49

Whereas the Senate has learned with profound sorrow and deep regret of the passing

of our colleague, the Honorable Frank Tejeda;

Whereas Representative Tejeda has spent 4 years in the House of Representatives;

Whereas Representative Tejeda served his country honorably in the United States Marine Corps from 1963 to 1967; and

Whereas Representative Tejeda was awarded the Purple Heart, the Silver Star, the Commandant's Trophy, the Marine Corps Association Award, and the Colonel Phil Yeckel Award for "the best combined record in leadership, academics, and physical fitness"; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That—

(1) when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of admiration and respect to the memory of our departed friend and colleague, who left his mark on Texas and our Nation; and

(2) the Senate extends to his family our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives, and shall transmit an enrolled copy to the family of Representative Frank Tejeda.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 85-874, as amended, the Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, appointed the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. LOTT] and the Senator from Alaska [Mr. STEVENS] to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The message also announced that pursuant to provisions of sections 42 and 43 of title 20, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appointed the following Senators as members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Tennessee [Mr. FRIST].

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 100-458, the Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, appoints William E. Cresswell, of Mississippi, to a term on the Board of Trustees of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development, effective October 11, 1996.

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