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

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

June 19, 1997.
I hereby designate the Honorable KEN CAL-VERT to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### **PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Rev. James David FORD, D.D., offered the following pray-

We pray, gracious God, that You would give to us and all people the amazing grace that makes us whole and makes us free. You have created us and blessed us with all those gifts that give purpose and value and You have marked us with your image. We know too that if we live in Your spirit and abide in Your presence, we will receive that peace that the world cannot give and obtain that resolve that allows us to be Your people and do the works of This is our earnest 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 Jour-

nal stands approved.
Mr. FORBES. 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.

Mr. FORBES. 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

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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. Frank].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. 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 ab-

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 123, nays 282, not voting 29, as follows:

### [Roll No. 210]

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Ackerman	Brown (FL)	DeLauro
Andrews	Brown (OH)	Dellums
Barcia	Capps	Dingell
Barrett (WI)	Carson	Doggett
Becerra	Clay	Eshoo
Bentsen	Clayton	Etheridge
Berman	Condit	Evans
Berry	Conyers	Farr
Bishop	Coyne	Fazio
Blumenauer	Davis (IL)	Filner
Bonior	DeFazio	Forbes
Boucher	Delahunt	Ford

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Aderholt	Callahan
Allen	Calvert
Archer	Campbell
Armey	Canady
Bachus	Cannon
Baesler	Cardin
Baker	Castle
Baldacci	Chabot
Ballenger	Chambliss
Barr	Chenoweth
Barrett (NE)	Christensen
Bartlett	Clement
Barton	Coble
Bass	Coburn
Bateman	Collins
Bereuter	Combest
Bilbray	Cook
Bilirakis	Cooksey
Blagojevich	Costello
Bliley	Cox
Blunt	Cramer
Boehlert	Crapo
Boehner	Cubin
Bonilla	Cummings
Borski	Cunningham
Boswell	Danner
Boyd	Davis (FL)
Brady	Davis (VA)
Bryant	Deal
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#### NOT VOTING-29

Rohrabacher Ros-Lehtinen

Redmond

Regula

Riggs Riley

Rivers

Rogan

Rogers

Roemer

Bono	Flake	Oberstar
Brown (CA)	Holden	Pombo
Camp	Istook	Pomeroy
Clyburn	Kleczka	Royce
Crane	LaTourette	Salmon
DeGette	Lipinski	Schiff
Diaz-Balart	Manton	Stokes
Dixon	Meehan	Weldon (PA)
Engel	Miller (CA)	Young (AK)
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Mr. Ehlers, Mr. Roemer, Ms. Jack-SON-LEE of Texas, and Messrs. CUMMINGS, COOK, LAHOOD, BARR of Georgia, EWING, DUNCAN, DREIER, KINGSTON, BOYD, EHRLICH, SAM JOHN-SON of Texas, SOLOMON, SANFORD, and PORTMAN changed their vote from 'yea'' to ''nay.

Mr. KLINK, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Ms. Carson, Mr. Rangel, Mrs. CLAYTON, and Messrs. COYNE, CONDIT, and DINGELL, Ms. KILPATRICK and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD changed their vote from "nay" to "yea.

So the motion was not agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### □ 1045

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CAL-VERT). Will the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HALL] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HALL of Ohio 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 had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 956. An act to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth, 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. 1757. An act to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements, and for other purposes.

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

S. 923. An act to deny veterans benefits to persons convicted of Federal capital offenses.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain 20 1-minutes on each side.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE LATE BILL **EMERSON**

(Mrs. EMERSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to my late husband, Bill Emerson, who spent 16 wonderful years as a Member of this Chamber, 2 years as a page, and who died a year ago this Sunday, June 22.

I remember so well when Bill was first elected in 1980 and the excitement and joy that we felt after his election. And I can picture vividly so many memories: that first dinner in Statuary Hall, which was given by Bob Michel, who was then the Republican leader of

the House; the many trips he, Mickey Leland, and TONY HALL made to Ethiopia, Somalia, the Sudan and other parts of Africa; fighting for flood relief throughout our district, standing up for the folks he represented; and the most recent memories of the days he sat in the Speaker's chair and oversaw the business of our House.

He was so proud of the fact that he was the only Republican in the 104th Congress who had actually been here during the last Republican Congress in 1953 and 1954 when he served as a page with our colleague, the gentleman from Pennsylvania, PAUL KANJORSKI, and he was real excited on the first day of the 104th Congress, too, when he was asked to preside over the House.

It was Bill who taught me all about putting people before politics and ideas before ideology. He was my best friend and mentor, and gave me the tools that I needed to run for this seat in Congress and to try to be a productive Member of this legislative body.

It was he who taught me the importance of friendship in a place that can be very lonely, and the importance of seeking out relationships and friendships with our colleagues across the aisle, which is why I have chosen to speak this morning from this side of the aisle.

Bill, I know you are in a much better place now, though your friends and colleagues and I miss you very much, but we are all better off for knowing you. And when I look at the person sitting in the Speaker's chair every day, I see your smiling face and hear your deep and resonant voice and know that you are looking down on all of us, encouraging us to do the right thing as we fight for the very folks who sent us here to represent them. Thank you so very much for giving me and your friends here today the benefit of knowing you.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE LATE BILL **EMERSON**

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

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it is 1 year ago that we lost our friend, our colleague, my fellow Missourian, Bill Emerson. In his stead and in his shoes today is that charming and wonderful gentlewoman from Missouri, Mrs. Jo ANN EMERSON, who represents the Eighth District of the State of Missouri.

The grief has passed, the loss of pain has passed, and I still find myself, Mr. Speaker, because I rode with him so very often to and from this work, at the end of the day standing toward the back looking around for my friend Bill to hitch a ride out to McLean. But we still have a lot of wonderful memories. His memories live on.

He was truly an outstanding legislator. He understood bipartisanship. He understood what it was to represent