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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 10, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable PAUL E. GILLMOR 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 prayer:

As we have received Your blessings, O God, so remind us that we have responsibilities to see that these good blessings find expression in our daily lives. We know that we have enjoyed the gifts of life and we pray that we will be faithful custodians of the resources of the land, so that those who follow us, our children and grandchildren, will enjoy the fruits of our labors and experience a noble heritage. May Your blessings, O God, be with us and all Your people, now and evermore. 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.

Mr. GIBBONS. 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. GIBBONS. 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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.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 Ohio [Mr. CHABOT] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. CHABOT 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. 1901. An act to clarify that the protections of the Federal Tort Claims Act apply to the members and personnel of the National Gambling Impact Study Commission.

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

H.R. 680. An act to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to authorize the transfer of surplus personal property to States for donation to nonprofit providers of necessities to impoverished families and individuals, and to authorize the transfer of surplus real property to States, political subdivisions and instrumentalities of States, and nonprofit organi-

zations for providing housing or housing assistance for low-income individuals or families.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

CLINTON CLEAN AIR REGULATIONS WILL KILL JOBS AND COST BILLIONS

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

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Speaker, while the Congress is working over the next couple of weeks to provide tax cuts for working American families, President Clinton is doing just the opposite. His endorsement recently of a radical EPA proposal, new, unproven air standards, will wreak havoc on those very taxpayers, draining their pocketbooks and threatening their livelihoods.

Rejecting sound scientific advice that the expected health benefits of new air standards would be minimal while the cost to the taxpayers would be astronomical, the President says he will go forward with the plan that will cost the taxpayers in my State of Ohio an estimated \$2 to \$3 billion per year and could affect as many as 1 million manufacturing jobs. What does President Clinton have to say to that? Well, he admits that the standards may be somewhat controversial.

Mr. Speaker, I want my children to grow up in a clean and healthy environment. I also want there to be jobs in Ohio for those children. In Ohio, we have been working very hard to make that possible. We do not need President Clinton's help to do it.

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