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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, October 3, 1997, at 10 a.m.

House of Representatives

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1997

The House met at 10 a.m. 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,
October 2, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable EDWARD A. PEASE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Ronald F. Christian, director, Lutheran Social Services of Virginia, Fairfax, VA, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, You have placed us in a world of space and time, and through the events of our lives You bless us with Your love.

Make us all mindful of the swift and certain passage of time, not only the ticks of the clock, but the sweep of the years.

We acknowledge that time is Your gift to each of us. We pray, let us all accept Your gift of time, the hours of this day, the days of this month, the months of this year, and the years of our lives with gratitude, using the gift wisely in the cause of peace and goodwill to all.

O God, let us use our time for blessing rather than cursing, for thanks-

giving rather than complaining, for caring rather than gaining, and for giving rather than conserving.

May we know Your presence in our lives. May we see Your love in our surroundings, and may we live with joy in this moment. Amen.

THE JOURNAL OF TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1997

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the unfinished business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, September 30, 1997.

The question is on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

THE JOURNAL OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1997

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of Wednesday, October 1, 1997, and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. BALLENGER 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 with amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2267. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2267) "An Act making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House of Representatives on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. GREGG, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Ms. MIKULSKI, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

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. 1179. An act to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program.

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