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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 8, 2000.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN SHIMKUS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Father James Scherer, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, offered the following prayer:

"To do work carefully and well, with love and respect for the nature of our task and with due attention to its purpose, is to unite ourselves to God's will in our work." Thomas Merton.

Lord, we have no idea where we are going. We do not even see the road ahead. We cannot know for certain where it will end. The fact that we think that we are following Your will does not necessarily mean that we are. We believe, however, the desire to please You does, in fact, please You. We hope we will never do anything apart from that desire. We know You will lead us by the right road. Therefore, we trust You always that You may lead us and we may not be lost. We will not fear, for You are ever with us, and You will never leave us to face our perils alone. 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. FOLEY. 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. FOLEY. 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 8, rule XX, 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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.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 Illinois (Mr. PHELPS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PHELPS 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 has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 4542. An act to designate the Washington Opera in Washington, D.C., as the National Opera.

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

S. 2625. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise the performance stand-

ards and certification process for organ procurement organizations.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-389, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of Robert R. Ferguson III of North Carolina, to serve as a member of the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board.

WELCOMING FATHER JIM SCHERER

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

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to welcome Father Jim Scherer from Greensboro, North Carolina as our guest chaplain today, although I did not sponsor Father Jim. Father Jim was sponsored by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. WELDON) who this session has, in turn, sponsored Father Jim's nephew. I am delighted to welcome Father Jim Scherer to the House today.

Father Jim serves 3 parishes back in the 6th district of North Carolina. Our Lady of Grace where he conducts weekday mass; and Father Jim, I had the pleasure of addressing the student body at Our Lady of Grace last year; St. Paul the Apostle, and St. Pios for Sunday masses. In addition to that, Father Jim also served as a marriage and family therapist in private practice in Greensboro.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues will join me in extending a warm welcome to Father Jim Scherer as our guest chaplain today.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending

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business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

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

Mr. BRYANT. 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 363, nays 45, answered “present” 5, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 246]
YEAS—363

Abercrombie	Crowley	Hoekstra
Ackerman	Cubin	Holden
Allen	Cunningham	Holt
Andrews	Davis (FL)	Hooley
Archer	Davis (IL)	Horn
Armey	Davis (VA)	Hostettler
Baca	Deal	Hoyer
Bachus	DeGette	Hulshof
Baker	Delahunt	Hunter
Baldacci	DeLauro	Hutchinson
Ballenger	DeLay	Hyde
Barcia	DeMint	Inslee
Barr	Deutsch	Isakson
Barrett (WI)	Diaz-Balart	Istook
Bartlett	Dicks	Jackson (IL)
Barton	Dingell	Jackson-Lee
Bass	Dixon	(TX)
Bateman	Doggett	Jenkins
Becerra	Dooley	John
Bentsen	Doolittle	Johnson (CT)
Bereuter	Doyle	Johnson, E. B.
Berkley	Dreier	Johnson, Sam
Berman	Duncan	Jones (NC)
Berry	Dunn	Jones (OH)
Biggert	Edwards	Kanjorski
Bilirakis	Ehlers	Kaptur
Bishop	Ehrlich	Kasich
Blagojevich	Emerson	Kelly
Bliley	Engel	Kennedy
Blumenauer	Eshoo	Kildee
Blunt	Etheridge	Kilpatrick
Boehlert	Evans	Kind (WI)
Boehner	Everett	King (NY)
Bonilla	Ewing	Kingston
Bonior	Farr	Klecza
Bono	Fletcher	Knollenberg
Boswell	Foley	Kolbe
Boucher	Forbes	Kuykendall
Boyd	Ford	LaFalce
Brady (TX)	Fowler	LaHood
Brown (FL)	Frank (MA)	Lampson
Brown (OH)	Franks (NJ)	Lantos
Bryant	Frelinghuysen	Largent
Burr	Frost	Larson
Burton	Galleghy	Latham
Buyer	Ganske	LaTourette
Callahan	Gekas	Lazio
Calvert	Gephardt	Leach
Camp	Gibbons	Lee
Campbell	Gilchrest	Lewis (CA)
Canady	Gillmor	Lewis (KY)
Cannon	Gilman	Linder
Capps	Gonzalez	Lipinski
Capuano	Goode	Lofgren
Cardin	Goodlatte	Lowe
Castle	Goodling	Lucas (KY)
Chabot	Gordon	Lucas (OK)
Chambliss	Goss	Luther
Chenoweth-Hage	Graham	Maloney (CT)
Clayton	Granger	Maloney (NY)
Clement	Green (WI)	Martinez
Clyburn	Gutknecht	Mascara
Coble	Hall (TX)	Matsui
Coburn	Hansen	McCarthy (MO)
Collins	Hastings (WA)	McCarthy (NY)
Combest	Hayes	McCollum
Condit	Hayworth	McCrery
Cook	Herger	McGovern
Cooksey	Hill (IN)	McHugh
Cox	Hinchey	McInnis
Coyne	Hobson	McIntyre
Cramer	Hoeffel	McKeon

McKinney	Portman	Smith (WA)
McNulty	Price (NC)	Snyder
Meehan	Pryce (OH)	Souder
Meek (FL)	Quinn	Spence
Meeks (NY)	Rahall	Spratt
Menendez	Regula	Stabenow
Metcalfe	Reyes	Stearns
Mica	Reynolds	Stenholm
Millender	Riley	Stump
McDonald	Rivers	Sununu
Miller (FL)	Rodriguez	Sweeney
Miller, Gary	Roemer	Talent
Miller, George	Rogan	Tanner
Minge	Rogers	Tauscher
Mink	Ros-Lehtinen	Tauzin
Moakley	Rothman	Taylor (NC)
Mollohan	Roukema	Terry
Moore	Roybal-Allard	Thomas
Moran (KS)	Royce	Thornberry
Moran (VA)	Rush	Thune
Morella	Ryan (WI)	Tiahrt
Murtha	Ryun (KS)	Toomey
Myrick	Salmon	Towns
Nadler	Sanchez	Traficant
Napolitano	Sanders	Turner
Neal	Sandlin	Udall (CO)
Nethercutt	Sanford	Upton
Ney	Sawyer	Velazquez
Northup	Saxton	Vitter
Norwood	Scarborough	Walden
Nussle	Schaffer	Walsh
Olver	Schakowsky	Wamp
Ortiz	Scott	Watkins
Ose	Sensenbrenner	Watt (NC)
Owens	Serrano	Watts (OK)
Oxley	Sessions	Waxman
Packard	Shadegg	Weiner
Pallone	Shaw	Weldon (FL)
Pascarell	Shays	Weldon (PA)
Pastor	Sherman	Wexler
Paul	Sherwood	Weygand
Payne	Shimkus	Whitfield
Pease	Shows	Wilson
Pelosi	Shuster	Wise
Petri	Simpson	Wolf
Phelps	Sisisky	Woolsey
Pickering	Skeen	Wynn
Pitts	Skelton	Young (AK)
Pombo	Smith (NJ)	Young (FL)
Porter	Smith (TX)	

NAYS—45

Aderholt	Hall (OH)	Sabo
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Slaughter
Baldwin	Hefley	Stark
Bilbray	Hill (MT)	Strickland
Borski	Hilleary	Stupak
Brady (PA)	Hilliard	Taylor (MS)
Costello	Kucinich	Thompson (CA)
Crane	Lewis (GA)	Thompson (MS)
DeFazio	LoBiondo	Thurman
Dickey	McDermott	Udall (NM)
English	Oberstar	Visclosky
Fattah	Peterson (MN)	Waters
Filner	Pickett	Weller
Green (TX)	Pomeroy	Wicker
Gutierrez	Ramstad	Wu

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—5

Barrett (NE)	Conyers	Tancredo
Carson	Levin	

NOT VOTING—21

Clay	Houghton	Peterson (PA)
Cummings	Jefferson	Radanovich
Danner	Klink	Rangel
Fossella	Manzullo	Rohrabacher
Gejdenson	Markey	Smith (MI)
Greenwood	McIntosh	Tierney
Hinojosa	Obey	Vento

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Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi changed his vote from “present” to “nay.”

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 407, this time has been designated for the taking of the official photo of the House of Representatives in session.

The House will be in a brief recess while the Chamber is being prepared for the photo. As soon as these preparations are complete, the House will immediately resume its actual session for the taking of the photograph.

About 15 minutes after that, the House will proceed with the business of the House. The 1-minute will be at the end of the legislative session today.

For the information of the Members, when the Chair says, the House will be in order, we are ready to take our picture. That will be in just a few minutes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 10:30 a.m.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 29 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until 10:30 a.m.

1030

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order at 10 o'clock and 30 minutes a.m.

(Thereupon the Members sat for the official photograph of the House of Representatives for the 106th Congress.)

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 10:50 a.m.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 33 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 10:50 a.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PEASE) at 10 o'clock and 52 minutes a.m.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4577, DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by the direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 518 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 518

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4577) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor,