

APPOINTMENT OF HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THROUGH JULY 10, 2000

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 29, 2000.

I hereby appoint the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through July 10, 2000.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointment is approved.

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2000

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, July 12, 2000.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE SPEAKER, MAJORITY LEADER AND MINORITY LEADER TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS AND TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS, NOTWITHSTANDING ADJOURNMENT

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Monday, July 10, 2000, the Speaker, majority leader and minority leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and pursuant to section 5(a) of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission Act, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointments of the following Members of the House to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission:

Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois, and in addition, Ms. Joan Flinspach, Fort Wayne Indiana;

Mr. James R. Thompson, Chicago, Illinois.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HON. RICHARD A. GEPHARDT, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following commu-

nication from the Honorable RICHARD A. GEPHARDT, Member of Congress:

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 29, 2000.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 5(a) of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission Act (P.L. 106-173), I hereby appoint the following individuals to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission: Mr. David Phelps, IL, and Ms. Louis Taper, CA.

Yours Very Truly,

RICHARD A. GEPHARDT.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MCNULTY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and June 30 on account of a graduation in the family.

Mr. MARKEY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of family illness.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 11:15 p.m. on account of illness.

Mr. UNDERWOOD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today and June 30 on account of official business in the district.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

The following Members (at the request of Mr. SHERMAN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STUPAK, for 5 minutes, today.

The following Members (at the request of Mr. REYNOLDS) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. BEREUTER, for 5 minutes, June 30.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 2719. An act to provide for business development and trade promotion for Native Americans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported and that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3051. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior, the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Jicarilla Apache reservation in the State of New Mexico; and for other purposes.

H.R. 4762. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require 527 organizations to disclose their political activities.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1515. An act to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 125, 106th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution 125, 106th Congress, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 10, 2000, for morning hour debates.

Thereupon, (at 2 o'clock and 6 minutes a.m.), pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 125, the House adjourned until Monday, July 10, 2000 for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8429. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's report on nuclear nonproliferation in South Asia for the period of October 1, 1999, through March 31, 2000, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2376(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

8430. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Response Plans for Marine Transportation-Related Facilities Handling Non-Petroleum Oils [USCG-1999-5149] (RIN: 2115-AF79) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8431. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone: Fireworks Display, Pier 54, Hudson River, New York [CGD01-00-145] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8432. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Acushnet River, Annisquam River, Fore River and Tauton River, MA [CGD01-00-135] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8433. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Drawbridge Operations Regulations: Columbia River, OR [CGD13-00-008] (RIN: 2115-AE47) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8434. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone: Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, VA [CGD05-

00-015] (RIN: 2115-AA97) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8435. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Zone; York River, VA [CGD05-00-019] (RIN: 2115-AA97) [CGD05-00-019] received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

8436. A letter from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Temporary Regulations: SAIL BOSTON 2000, Port of Boston, MA [CGD01-99-191] (RIN: 2115-AA97, AA98, AE46) received June 23, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. HOBSON: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 4425. A bill making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-710). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. COMBEST: Committee on Agriculture. H.R. 4541. A bill to reauthorize and amend the Commodity Exchange Act to promote legal certainty, enhance competition, and reduce systemic risk in markets for futures and over-the-counter derivatives, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 106-711 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 4541. Referral to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than September 6, 2000.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CRANE:

H.R. 4782. A bill to provide for the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of the Republic of Georgia; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. THOMAS, Mrs. BONO, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. HERGER, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. PACKARD):

H.R. 4783. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to the treatment of crops destroyed by casualty; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. BIGGERT (for herself, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, and Mr. LAHOOD):

H.R. 4784. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Midwest Clean Air Gasoline Reserve to ensure the availability of gasoline in the Midwest; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mrs. KELLY:

H.R. 4785. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise the provisions of law

relating to the payment of accrued benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs in the case of the death of a veteran with a pending claim for an increase in service-connected disability rating; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BARR of Georgia (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LINDER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. BISHOP, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 4786. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Postal Way in Carrollton, Georgia, as the "Samuel P. ROBERTS Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. BARR of Georgia (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LINDER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. BISHOP, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 4787. A bill to designate the Federal building located at 600 East First Street in Rome, Georgia, as the "Lawrence Patton McDonald Federal Building"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. MINGE):

H.R. 4788. A bill to amend the United States Grain Standards Act to extend the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to collect fees to cover the cost of services performed under the Act, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Act, and to improve the administration of the Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. WYNN, Mr. EHRLICH, and Mr. GILCHREST):

H.R. 4789. A bill to amend the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Authorization Act of 1992 to revise and enhance authorities, and to authorize appropriations, for the Chesapeake Bay Office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. HANSEN):

H.R. 4790. A bill to recognize hunting heritage and provide opportunities for continued hunting on public lands; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HAYWORTH (for himself, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. QUINN):

H.R. 4791. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection for the occurrence of hepatitis C in certain veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. INSLEE (for himself, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. DICKS, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. HOLT):

H.R. 4792. A bill to provide for enhanced safety, public awareness, and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KINGSTON (for himself, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. LINDER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. COBLE, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. HORN, Mr. HOLDEN, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. RILEY, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. COMBEST, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BISHOP, Mr.

BAKER, Mr. WAMP, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CANNON, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. SCHAFFER, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. WISE, Mr. KIND, Mr. LATHAM, and Ms. DANNER):

H.R. 4793. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to waive the obstetrician requirement insofar as it prevents DSH designation in the case of certain rural hospitals; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. LARSON (for himself, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. SKELTON, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. WEINER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. SHAYS, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HOYER, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. HOLT, and Mr. CUMMINGS):

H.R. 4794. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to complete a resource study of the 600 mile route through Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Virginia, used by George Washington and General Rochambeau during the American Revolutionary War; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. LAZIO:

H.R. 4795. A bill to amend the National Housing Act to require partial rebates of FHA mortgage insurance premiums to certain mortgagors upon payment of their FHA-insured mortgages; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. LAZIO:

H.R. 4796. A bill to extend the Stamp Out Breast Cancer Act; to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Commerce, and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky (for himself and Mr. FLETCHER):

H.R. 4797. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to direct the Commissioner of Social Security to conduct outreach efforts to increase awareness of the availability of Medicare cost-sharing assistance to eligible low-income Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. LOFGREN (for herself, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. ROSENLEHTINEN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. KING, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HORN, Mr. SERRANO, Mrs. BONO, Mr. FARR of California, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. MEEHAN, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. WEINER, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Ms. SANCHEZ, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. PAYNE, and Mrs. NAPOLITANO):