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House of Representatives

This being the day fixed by the 20th amendment to the Constitution of the United States for the meeting of the Congress of the United States, the Members-elect of the 107th Congress met in their Hall, and at noon were called to order by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, Hon. Jeff Trandahl.

The Chaplain, the Rev. Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God, Almighty, by Your Divine Providence You have brought us to this new day. Bless us in our gathering, form us by Your Word, guide us by Your Spirit.

The people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and posterity, have acted according to the Constitution of this country and by lawful elections they have elected their representatives to serve in this House as the 107th Congress.

Give this body an outpouring of Your Holy Spirit, that they may be wise in their judgments and serve freely the best interests of all of the people of this Nation.

Broaden their personal concerns that they may seek the common good and always be attuned to the helpless sighs of the most vulnerable in our society.

Clarify their vision, as they work together in the search for the best ideas and strategies to meet the greatest needs of our times.

Bless all Members of this House, new and experienced. May their faith in You, Lord God, and in the destiny of this Nation, keep them humble in Your service.

May their families remain their deepest love and lasting joy.

May all here who assist them in this Chamber, in congressional offices and in committee responsibilities, be wise

in their counsel and gracious in their service.

May this Congress, Lord God, be a sign of unity and confidence to this Nation; good news to the poor and an instrument of peace in the world.

Lord God, in You we trust now and forever. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The CLERK. The Members-elect and their guests will please rise and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The Clerk 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.

The CLERK. Representatives-elect, this is the day fixed by the 20th amendment to the Constitution for the meeting of the 107th Congress and, as the law directs, the Clerk of the House has prepared the official roll of the Representatives-elect.

Certificates of election covering 435 seats in the 107th Congress have been received by the Clerk of the House, and the names of those persons whose credentials show that they were regularly elected as Representatives in accordance with the laws of their respective States or of the United States will be called.

Without objection, the Representatives-elect will record their presence by electronic device and their names will be reported in alphabetical order by States, beginning with the State of Alabama, to determine whether a quorum is present.

There was no objection.

The call was taken by electronic device, and the following Representatives-elect responded to their names:

[Roll No. 1]

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—429

ALABAMA

Aderholt	Cramer	Riley
Bachus	Everett	
Callahan	Hilliard	

ALASKA

Young

ARIZONA

Flake	Kolbe	Shadegg
Hayworth	Pastor	Stump

ARKANSAS

Berry	Ross
Hutchinson	Snyder

CALIFORNIA

Baca	Harman	Ose
Becerra	Heger	Pelosi
Berman	Honda	Pombo
Bono	Horn	Radanovich
Calvert	Hunter	Rohrabacher
Capps	Issa	Roybal-Allard
Condit	Lantos	Royce
Cox	Lee	Sanchez
Cunningham	Lewis	Schiff
Davis	Lofgren	Sherman
Dooley	Matsui	Solis
Doolittle	McKeon	Tauscher
Dreier	Millender-	Thomas
Eshoo	McDonald	Thompson
Farr	Miller, Gary	Waters
Filner	Miller, George	Waxman
Galleghy	Napolitano	Woolsey

COLORADO

DeGette	McInnis	Tancredo
Hefley	Schaffer	Udall

CONNECTICUT

DeLauro	Larson	Shays
Johnson	Maloney	Simmons

DELAWARE

Castle

FLORIDA

Bilirakis	Goss	Scarborough
Boyd	Hastings	Shaw
Brown	Keller	Stearns
Crenshaw	Meek	Thurman
Davis	Mica	Weldon
Diaz-Balart	Miller	Wexler
Deutsch	Putnam	Young
Foley	Ros-Lehtinen	

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	GEORGIA		Pascrell Payne	Rothman Roukema	Saxton Smith	WASHINGTON			
Barr	Deal	Linder				Baird	Hastings		
Bishop	Isakson	McKinney				Dicks	Inslee		
Chambliss	Kingston	Norwood		NEW MEXICO		Dunn	Larsen		
Collins	Lewis		Udall	Wilson			Smith		
	HAWAII			NEW YORK		WEST VIRGINIA			
Abercrombie	Mink		Ackerman	King	Rangel	Capito	Mollohan		
	IDAHO		Boehlert	LaFalce	Reynolds		WISCONSIN		
Otter	Simpson		Crowley	Lowey	Serrano	Baldwin	Kind	Petri	
	ILLINOIS		Engel	Maloney	Slaughter	Barrett	Klecza	Ryan	
Biggert	Hyde	Phelps	Fossella	McCarthy	Sweeney	Green	Obey	Sensenbrenner	
Blagojevich	Jackson	Rush	Gilman	McHugh	Towns		WYOMING		
Costello	Johnson	Schakowsky	Grucci	McNulty	Velazquez		Cubin		
Crane	Kirk	Shimkus	Hinchee	Meeks	Walsh				
Davis	LaHood	Weller	Houghton	Nadler	Weiner				
Evans	Manzullo		Israel	Owens					
	INDIANA		Kelly	Quinn				1236	
Burton	Hostettler	Souder		NORTH CAROLINA			The CLERK. The quorum call dis-		
Buyer	Kerns	Visclosky	Ballenger	Etheridge	Myrick	closes that 429 Representatives-elect			
Carson	Pence		Burr	Hayes	Price	have responded to their name. A			
Hill	Roemer		Clayton	Jones	Taylor	quorum is present.			
	IOWA		Coble	McIntyre	Watt		ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CLERK		
Boswell	Latham	Nussle		NORTH DAKOTA			The CLERK. The Clerk will state that		
Ganske	Leach			Pomeroy		credentials, regular in form, have been			
	KANSAS		Boehner	Kaptur	Regula	received showing the election of the			
Moore	Ryun		Brown	Kucinich	Sawyer	Honorable ANIBAL ACEVEDO-VILA as			
Moran	Tiahrt		Chabot	LaTourette	Strickland	Resident Commissioner from the Com-			
	KENTUCKY		Gillmor	Ney	Tiberi	monwealth of Puerto Rico for a term of			
Fletcher	Lucas	Rogers	Hall	Oxley	Traficant	4 years beginning January 3, 2001; the			
Lewis	Northup	Whitfield	Hobson	Portman		election of the Honorable ELEANOR			
	LOUISIANA		Jones	Pryce		HOLMES NORTON as Delegate from the			
Baker	John	Vitter		OKLAHOMA		District of Columbia; the election of			
Cooksey	McCrary		Carson	Largent	Watkins	the Honorable DONNA M. CHRISTENSEN			
Jefferson	Tauzin		Istook	Lucas	Watts	as Delegate from the Virgin Islands; the			
	MAINE			OREGON		election of the Honorable ENI F.H.			
Allen	Baldacci		Blumenauer	Hooley	Wu	FALEOMAVAEGA as Delegate from Amer-			
	MARYLAND		DeFazio	Walden		ican Samoa; and the election of ROB-			
Bartlett	Ehrlich	Morella		PENNSYLVANIA		ERT A. UNDERWOOD as Delegate from			
Cardin	Gilchrest	Wynn	Borski	Greenwood	Peterson	Guam.			
Cummings	Hoyer		Brady	Hart	Pitts	ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CLERK			
	MASSACHUSETTS		Coyne	Hoeffel	Platts	The CLERK. The Clerk will state that			
Capuano	McGovern	Olver	Doyle	Holden	Sherwood	since the last regular election of Rep-			
Delahunt	Meehan	Tierney	English	Kanjorski	Shuster	resentatives to the 107th Congress, a			
Frank	Moakley		Fattah	Mascara	Toomey	vacancy now exists in the 32nd District			
Markey	Neal		Gekas	Murtha	Weldon	of the State of California, occasioned			
	MICHIGAN			RHODE ISLAND		by the death of the late Honorable Ju-			
Barcia	Hoekstra	Rogers	Kennedy	Langevin		lian C. Dixon.			
Bonior	Kildee	Smith		SOUTH CAROLINA		ELECTION OF SPEAKER			
Camp	Kilpatrick	Stupak	Brown	DeMint	Spence	The CLERK. Pursuant to law and to			
Conyers	Knollenberg	Upton	Clyburn	Graham	Spratt	precedent, the next order of business is			
Dingell	Levin			SOUTH DAKOTA		the election of the Speaker of the			
Ehlers	Rivers			Thune		House of Representatives for the 107th			
	MINNESOTA			TENNESSEE		Congress.			
Gutknecht	McCollum	Ramstad		Ford	Jenkins	Nominations are now in order.			
Kennedy	Oberstar	Sabo	Bryant	Gordon	Tanner	The Clerk recognizes the gentleman			
Luther	Peterson		Clement	Hilleary	Wamp	from Oklahoma (Mr. WATTS).			
	MISSISSIPPI		Duncan			Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma. Mr. Clerk,			
Pickering	Taylor	Wicker		TEXAS		the Congress and the Nation have been			
Shows	Thompson		Armey	Frost	Ortiz	blessed these past 2 years by the inspir-			
	MISSOURI		Barton	Gonzalez	Paul	ing leadership of a gentleman whose			
Akin	Emerson	Hulshof	Bentsen	Granger	Reyes	only special interest in these United			
Blunt	Gephardt	McCarthy	Bonilla	Green	Rodriguez	States of America is these United			
Clay	Graves	Skelton	Brady	Hall	Sandlin	States of America. We are deeply			
	MONTANA		Combest	Hinojosa	Sessions	grateful for his selfless devotion to this			
	Rehberg		Culberson	Jackson-Lee	Smith	institution and to the advancement of			
	NEBRASKA		DeLay	Johnson, E.B.	Stenholm	the American people and the American			
Bereuter	Osborne	Terry	Doggett	Johnson, Sam	Thornberry	Republic.			
	NEVADA		Edwards	Lampson	Turner	Mr. Clerk, as Chairman of the Repub-			
Berkley	Gibbons			UTAH		lican Conference, I am directed by the			
	NEW HAMPSHIRE		Cannon	Hansen	Matheson	unanimous vote of that conference to			
Bass	Sununu			VERMONT		present for election to the office of the			
	NEW JERSEY			Sanders		Speaker of the House of Representa-			
Andrews	Holt	Pallone	Boucher		VIRGINIA		tives for the 107th Congress the name		
Ferguson	LoBiondo		Cantor	Goode	Sisisky	of the Honorable J. DENNIS HASTERT, a			
Frelinghuysen	Menendez		Davis, Jo Ann	Goodlatte	Wolf				
			Davis, Thomas M.	Moran					
				Schrock					
				Scott					