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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOLF).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

October 31, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANK R. WOLF to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

PRAYER

The Reverend Stephen J. Rossetti, Ph.D., D. Min., President, Saint Luke Institute, Silver Spring, Maryland, offered the following prayer:

Good and gracious God, during these closing days of the 107th Congress, we ask Your blessing upon all the Members of Congress, their loved ones, and all those whom they serve. Grant them the spirit of wisdom to see as You see. Mold in them a heart of compassion so that they will love as You love. Grant them courage, to be Your instruments in this world.

During these challenging times, may they perceive what is just for the people of this country and for those beyond our borders. May they promote a

Nation and a world where the rights of all people are respected, especially those who are most vulnerable and in need of their protection.

When the sun sets on this Congress, on our lives, and, one day, on this great Nation, may it be said that we were wise, loving, and compassionate and thus, were like You in whose image we have been created. 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agreed to the following resolution:

S. RES. 354

Whereas the Honorable Paul Wellstone taught at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, for more than 20 years in the service of the youth of our Nation;

Whereas the Honorable Paul Wellstone served Minnesota in the United States Senate with devotion and distinction for more than a decade;

Whereas the Honorable Paul Wellstone worked tirelessly on behalf of America's veterans and the less fortunate, particularly children and families living in poverty and those with mental illness;

Whereas the Honorable Paul Wellstone never wavered from the principles that guided his life and career;

Whereas his efforts on behalf of the people of Minnesota and all Americans earned him the esteem and high regard of his colleagues; and

Whereas his tragic and untimely death has deprived his State and Nation of an outstanding lawmaker: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate expresses profound sorrow and deep regret on the deaths of the Honorable Paul Wellstone, late Senator from the State of Minnesota, his wife Sheila, their daughter Marcia, aides Mary McEvoy, Tom Lapic, and Will McLaughlin, and pilots Richard Conry and Michael Guess.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased Senator, and the families of all the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator.

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