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The House met at 10 a.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord, You have compassion for the sinner as a parent has compassion for children. When we look over our lives or our work on behalf of Your people, we know we are held accountable. But You do not treat us only as sinners nor repay us according to our faults. Your love is more penetrating.

For now we are only Your creatures and will soon return to the dust from which we were made. In You is the fullness of life and redemption, so we praise You and thank You, Lord, for Your countless blessings.

Now we have the opportunity to express our gratitude for Your great mercy toward us, and show similar compassion for our brothers and sisters in most need of help and understanding.

By their decisions, in all of their efforts to govern, reveal Congress as fellow servants aware of the weakness in our nature who can trace in themselves and others common fault lines.

It is You who truly rule the conscience of the Nation, for You alone read human hearts now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

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

Mr. McNULTY. 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. 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The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.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. Will the gentleman from Florida (Mr. FOLEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. FOLEY 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 JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

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Mr. McNULTY. 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. 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 365, nays 39, answered "present" 1, not voting 28, as follows:

[Roll No. 61]
YEAS—365

Abercrombie	Cardin	Flake
Ackerman	Carnahan	Foley
Aderholt	Carson	Forbes
Akin	Carter	Ford
Alexander	Case	Fortenberry
Allen	Castle	Fox
Andrews	Chabot	Frank (MA)
Baca	Chandler	Franks (AZ)
Baker	Chocola	Frelinghuysen
Barrett (SC)	Cleaver	Galleghy
Barrow	Clyburn	Garrett (NJ)
Bartlett (MD)	Coble	Gerlach
Barton (TX)	Conyers	Gilchrest
Bass	Costa	Gillmor
Bean	Cramer	Gingrey
Beauprez	Crenshaw	Gohmert
Becerra	Crowley	Gonzalez
Berkley	Cubin	Goode
Berman	Cuellar	Goodlatte
Berry	Culberson	Gordon
Biggart	Cunningham	Granger
Bilirakis	Davis (AL)	Graves
Bishop (GA)	Davis (CA)	Green (WI)
Bishop (NY)	Davis (FL)	Green, Al
Bishop (UT)	Davis (IL)	Green, Gene
Blackburn	Davis (KY)	Grijalva
Blumenauer	Davis, Jo Ann	Gutiérrez
Blunt	Davis, Tom	Hall
Boehlert	Deal (GA)	Harman
Boehner	DeFazio	Harris
Bonilla	DeGette	Hastings (WA)
Bonner	DeLauro	Hayes
Bono	Dent	Hayworth
Boozman	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hensarling
Boren	Diaz-Balart, M.	Herger
Boswell	Dicks	Herseth
Boucher	Dingell	Higgins
Boustany	Doggett	Hinche
Boyd	Doolittle	Hinojosa
Bradley (NH)	Doyle	Hobson
Brady (TX)	Drake	Hoekstra
Brown (OH)	Dreier	Holden
Brown (SC)	Duncan	Honda
Brown, Corrine	Edwards	Hooley
Brown-Waite,	Ehlers	Hostettler
Ginny	Emanuel	Hoyer
Burgess	Emerson	Hulshof
Burton (IN)	Engel	Hunter
Butterfield	Eshoo	Inglis (SC)
Buyer	Etheridge	Inslee
Calvert	Evans	Israel
Camp	Everett	Issa
Cannon	Farr	Istook
Cantor	Feeney	Jackson (IL)
Capito	Ferguson	Jackson-Lee
Capps	Fitzpatrick (PA)	(TX)

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Jenkins	Miller (NC)	Sánchez, Linda
Jindal	Miller, Gary	T.
Johnson (CT)	Miller, George	Sanchez, Loretta
Johnson (IL)	Mollohan	Saxton
Johnson, E. B.	Moore (KS)	Schiff
Johnson, Sam	Moore (WI)	Schwartz (PA)
Jones (NC)	Moran (KS)	Schwartz (MI)
Jones (OH)	Moran (VA)	Scott (VA)
Kanjorski	Murphy	Sensenbrenner
Kaptur	Murtha	Serrano
Keller	Musgrave	Sessions
Kelly	Myrick	Shadegg
Kennedy (RI)	Nadler	Shaw
Kildee	Napolitano	Shays
Kilpatrick (MI)	Neal (MA)	Sherman
Kind	Neugebauer	Sherwood
King (IA)	Ney	Shimkus
King (NY)	Nunes	Shuster
Kingston	Nussle	Simmons
Kirk	Obey	Simpson
Kline	Ortiz	Skelton
Knollenberg	Osborne	Slaughter
Kolbe	Otter	Smith (NJ)
Kuhl (NY)	Owens	Smith (TX)
LaHood	Pallone	Smith (WA)
Langevin	Pascrell	Snyder
Lantos	Pastor	Sodrel
Larson (CT)	Paul	Solis
LaTourette	Pearce	Souder
Leach	Pelosi	Spratt
Lee	Pence	Stark
Levin	Peterson (PA)	Stearns
Lewis (CA)	Petri	Sullivan
Lewis (KY)	Pickering	Sweeney
Linder	Pitts	Tanner
Lipinski	Platts	Tauscher
Lofgren, Zoe	Poe	Taylor (NC)
Lowe	Pombo	Terry
Lucas	Pomeroy	Thomas
Lungren, Daniel	Porter	Thornberry
E.	Portman	Tiahrt
Lynch	Price (GA)	Tiberi
Mack	Price (NC)	Towns
Maloney	Pryce (OH)	Turner
Manzullo	Putnam	Upton
Marchant	Radanovich	Van Hollen
Markey	Rangel	Velázquez
Matheson	Regula	Velosquez
McCarthy	Rehberg	Visclosky
McCaul (TX)	Reichert	Walden (OR)
McCollum (MN)	Renzi	Walsh
McCotter	Reyes	Wamp
McCrery	Reynolds	Wasserman
McIntyre	Rogers (KY)	Watt
McKeon	Rogers (MI)	Waxman
McKinney	Rohrabacher	Weiner
McMorris	Ros-Lehtinen	Weldon (FL)
Meehan	Ross	Weldon (PA)
Meek (FL)	Rothman	Westmoreland
Meeks (NY)	Royal-Allard	Whitfield
Melancon	Royce	Wilson (NM)
Menendez	Ruppertsberger	Wilson (SC)
Mica	Rush	Wolf
Michaud	Ryan (WI)	Woolsey
Millender-	Ryun (KS)	Wynn
McDonald	Salazar	Young (AK)
Miller (FL)		Young (FL)
Miller (MI)		

NAYS—39

Baldwin	Holt	Peterson (MN)
Brady (PA)	Kennedy (MN)	Ryan (OH)
Capuano	Kucinich	Sabo
Cooper	Larsen (WA)	Schakowsky
Costello	Latham	Strickland
Davis (TN)	Lewis (GA)	Taylor (MS)
English (PA)	LoBiondo	Thompson (CA)
Filner	Marshall	Udall (CO)
Gibbons	McDermott	Udall (NM)
Gutknecht	McGovern	Waters
Hart	McNulty	Weller
Hastings (FL)	Oberstar	Wicker
Hefley	Olver	Wu

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

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NOT VOTING—28

Bachus	Fattah	Ramstad
Baird	Fossella	Rogers (AL)
Cardoza	Hyde	Sanders
Clay	Jefferson	Scott (GA)
Cole (OK)	McHenry	Stupak
Conaway	McHugh	Thompson (MS)
Cox	Northup	Tierney
Cummings	Norwood	Wexler
Delahunt	Oxley	
DeLay	Payne	

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So the Journal was approved.
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, on March 10, 2005, I was unavoidably detained due to a prior obligation.

I request that the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD reflect that had I been present and voting, I would have voted as follows: Roll No. 61: "Yea" (on approving the Journal agreed to by the yeas and nays).

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, March 9, 2005.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of the Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Cathy Mitchell, Acting Secretary of State, State of California, indicating that, according to the semi-final official returns of the Special Election held March 8, 2005, the Honorable Doris Matsui was elected Representative in Congress for the Fifth Congressional District, State of California.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,
Clerk.

Attachment.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

March 9, 2005.

I, Cathy Mitchell, Acting Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:

That according to the semi-final official canvass filed in my office, the person whose name is hereinafter set forth was duly elected at the March 8, 2005 Special Primary Election as a Member of the United States House of Representatives, representing the State of California for the remainder of a two-year term that began on the 3rd day of January, 2005;

That set opposite the name is the congressional district from which she was elected and the name of the county comprising or forming said district, with the name of any county entirely within or comprising the district shown in capital letters.

Member-elect: Doris Matsui.

District: Fifth.

County: Sacramento.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this 9th day of March, 2005.

CATHY MITCHELL,
Acting Secretary of State.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE DORIS O. MATSUI, OF CALIFORNIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the Members of the California delegation present themselves in the well.

Will the Representative-elect from California (Ms. MATSUI) come forward and raise her right hand.

Ms. MATSUI appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the 109th Congress.

INTRODUCTION OF REPRESENTATIVE DORIS O. MATSUI

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

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, as dean of the California congressional delegation, it is my distinct honor to introduce the newest Member of the House of Representatives, the Honorable DORIS MATSUI.

She was elected Tuesday, leading a field of 11 candidates with more than 69 percent of the vote, and I think that is just spectacular.

Just very quickly, DORIS was raised in the small Central Valley town of Dinuba, California. She has pursued a life of public service and civic leadership ever since. She was deputy assistant to President Bill Clinton. She has put service to her community and Nation foremost in her career and has a deep commitment to improving people's lives.

She worked to give voice to concerns of children, the elderly and equality for women and minorities. As a member of President Clinton's transition team and during her tenure at the White House, she played a key role in developing important policy initiatives. She increased the number of public school teachers, expanded health care for children and made college more affordable.

Appointed by President Clinton to chair the Nonprofit Liaison Group, she worked to coordinate the efforts of the Federal Government and nonprofit organizations. She serves as a trustee of the Woodrow Wilson Center which seeks to bring scholars and public policymakers together on major public and international issues.

She has been an advocate for professional international exchange programs between the United States and 140 nations.

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In all DORIS' efforts, she had a strong partner in Bob, who would be proud to see her carry on the Matsui tradition of public service. We welcome the Matsui family, DORIS' son Brian; his wife, Amy; and granddaughter Anna.

Both sides of the aisle have their own dean. I think the other one may be