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The House met at 2 p.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, March 13, 2006.

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

 $\hbox{ J. Dennis Hastert,} \\ Speaker of the House of Representatives \\$

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Again out of Your infinite goodness and with wise provident love, Lord our God, You have given us a new day, another week.

We ask that You send Your spirit upon America and in particular the U.S. Congress. We do not seek simply a blessing upon human deeds performed routinely, inattentive to Your commands and devoid of the best in human performance. Instead, we beg Your spirit to penetrate all conversations and deliberations, the very manner in which we deal with others, every complicated issue to be addressed, our very being.

In this way, fashioned for Yourself, a people will know Your will and build Your kingdom upon Earth. How? By creating a better world, affecting those who are close to them and even those who are united only in the common bond of humanity because they are willing to be changed themselves by Your word and Your spirit.

Through Your activity in and through us, we are recreated now and forever.

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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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 13, 2006.
Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on March 13, 2006, at 12:38 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies the Congress he has extended the national emergency with respect to Iran.

With best wishes, I am Sincerely,

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House. CONTINUATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 109–95)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the Federal Register and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the Federal Register for publication, stating that the Iran emergency declared on March 15, 1995, is to continue in effect beyond March 15, 2006. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the Federal Register on March 14, 2005 (70 FR 12581).

The crisis between the United States and Iran constituted by the actions and policies of the Government of Iran that led to the declaration of a national emergency on March 15, 1995, has not been resolved. The actions and policies of the Government of Iran are contrary to the interests of the United States in the region and pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States.

For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect

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to Iran and maintain in force comprehensive sanctions against Iran to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH. THE WHITE HOUSE, March 13, 2006.

REPORT ON H.R. 4939, EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIA-TIONS, FISCAL YEAR 2006

Mr. LEWIS of California, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109–388) on the bill (H.R. 4939) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1, rule XXI, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reports that on March 10, 2006, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 32. To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide criminal penalties for trafficking in counterfeit marks.

H.R. 1287. Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 312 East North Avenue in Flora, Illinois, as the "Robert T. Ferguson Post Office Building".

H.R. 2113. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 McDonough Street in Joliet, Illinois, as the "John F. Whiteside Joliet Post Office Building".

H.R. 2346. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 105 NW. Railroad Avenue in Hammond, Louisiana, as the "John J. Hainkel, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 2413. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, as the "Lillian McKay Post Office Building".

H.R. 2630. To redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1927 Sangamon Avenue in Springfield, Illinois, as the "J.M. Dietrich Northeast Annex".

H.R. 2894. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 102 South Walters Avenue in Hodgenville, Kentucky, as the "Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Post Office Building".

H.R. 3256. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3038 West Liberty Avenue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the "Congressman James Grove Fulton Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 3368. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6483 Lincoln Street in Gagetown, Michigan, as the "Gagetown Veterans Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 3439. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 North 3rd Street in Smithfield, North Carolina, as the "Ava Gardner Post Office".

H.R. 3548. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located on Franklin Avenue in Pearl River, New York, as the "Heinz Ahlmeyer, Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 3703. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8501 Philatelic Drive in Spring Hill, Florida, as the "Staff Sergeant Michael Schafer Post Office Building".

H.R. 3770. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 205 West Washington Street in Knox, Indiana, as the "Grant W. Green Post Office Building".

H.R. 3825. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 770 Trumbull Drive in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the "Clayton J. Smith Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 3830. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 130 East Marion Avenue in Punta Gorda, Florida, as the "U.S. Cleveland Post Office Building".

H.R. 3989. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37598 Goodhue Avenue in Dennison, Minnesota, as the "Albert H. Quie Post Office".

H.R. 4053. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 545 North Rimsdale Avenue in Covina, California, as the "Lillian Kinkella Keil Post Office".

H.R. 4107. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1826 Pennsylvania Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Maryland State Delegate Lena K. Lee Post Office Building".

H.R. 4152. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the "Raymond J. Salmon Post Office".

H.R. 4295. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12760 South Park Avenue in Riverton, Utah, as the "Mont and Mark Stephensen Veterans Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 4515. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4422 West Sciota Street in Scio, New York, as the "Corporal Jason L. Dunham Post Office".

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

6629. A letter from the Administrator, FSIS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Ante-Mortem Inspection of Horses [Docket No. 05-0361IF; FDMS Docket Number FSIS-2005-0040] (RIN: 0583-AD21) received February 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6630. A letter from the Team Chief, ABCMR, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Personnel Review Board (RIN: 0702-AA51) received January 30, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6631. A letter from the Publications Control Officer, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Obtaining Information From Financial Institutions (RIN: 0702-AA49) received January 17, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6632. A letter from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Consolidated Plan Revisions and Updates [Docket No. FR-923-F-02] (RIN: 2501-AD07) received February 22, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6633. A letter from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to HUD Acquisition Regulations (HUDAR) [Docket No. FR-4705-P-01; HUD-2006-0002] (RIN: 2535-AA26) received January 30, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6634. A letter from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Eligibility of Students for Assisted Housing Under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 [Docket No. FR-5036-F-01] (RIN: 2501-AD19) received January 3, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6635. A letter from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revisions to FHA Credit Watch Termination Initiative [Docket No. FR-4625-F-03] (RIN: 2502-AH60) received February 14, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6636. A letter from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Renewel of Expiring Section 8 Project-Based Assistance Contracts [Docket No. FR-4551-F-01] (RIN: 2502-AH47) received January 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services

6637. A letter from the Attorney, Office of Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Chronic Beryllium Disease Prevention Program; Worker Safety and Health Program [Docket No. EH-RM-04-WSHP] (RIN: 1901-AA99) received February 14, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6638. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—HIPAA Administrative Simplification: Enforcement (RIN: 0991-AB29) received February 17, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6639. A letter from the Program Analyst, NHTSA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Transmission Shift Position Sequence, Starter Interlock, and Transmission Braking Effect [DOT Docket No. NHTSA-05-23407] (RIN: 2127-AJ74) received January 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6640. A letter from the Program Analyst, NHTSA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Anthropomorphic Test Devices; Hybrid III 6-year-old Weighted Child Test Dummy [Docket No. NHTSA-2004-18075] (RIN: 2127-AJ79) received February 13, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6641. A letter from the Program Analyst, NHTSA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Tires [Docket No. NHTSA-2005-23439] (RIN: 2127-AJ65) received January 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.