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## House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SARBANES).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC.  
September 14, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN P. SARBANES to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Monsignor Stephen J. Rossetti, President, St. Luke Institute, Silver Spring, Maryland, offered the following prayer:

Good and gracious God, today we recall the prayer of Thomas Merton. He prayed, "O God, I do not know if what I am doing is pleasing to You, but I know that my desire to please You is itself pleasing to You." May we, too, be filled with a desire to please You in all that we do. May our every thought and our every action be aimed at doing Your will. We know that in Your will is our joy and our peace. May You be blessed by all generations and may we follow Your will on this Earth, until it is completely fulfilled at the end of time. 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, September 12, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM 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 September 12, 2007, at 4:17 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 the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN TERRORIST ATTACKS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 110-57)

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 Foreign Affairs 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. Consistent with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency declared with respect to the terrorist attacks on the United States of September 11, 2001, is to continue in effect for an additional year.

The terrorist threat that led to the declaration on September 14, 2001, of a national emergency continues. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue in effect after September 14, 2007, the national emergency with respect to the terrorist threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 12, 2007.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 11, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 11, 2007, at 1:47 p.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment and requests a conference with the House, appoints conferees H.R. 2764.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk of the House.*

#### 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, September 12, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 12, 2007, at 3:57 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 954.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3218.

That the Senate passed with an amendment and requests a conference with the House, appoints conferees H.R. 3074.

That the Senate passed S. 1692.

With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk of the House.*

#### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF THE LATE HONORABLE PAUL E. GILLMOR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 632, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Paul E. Gillmor:

Mr. REGULA, Ohio  
Mr. BOEHNER, Ohio  
Mr. BLUNT, Missouri

The members of the Ohio delegation:

Ms. KAPTUR  
Mr. HOBSON  
Ms. PRYCE  
Mr. CHABOT  
Mr. LATOURETTE  
Mr. KUCINICH  
Mrs. JONES  
Mr. TIBERI  
Mr. TURNER  
Mr. RYAN  
Mrs. SCHMIDT

Mr. JORDAN  
Mr. SPACE  
Ms. SUTTON  
Mr. WILSON, and  
Mr. LEWIS, California  
Mr. PETRI, Wisconsin  
Mr. HALL, Texas  
Mr. BARTON, Texas  
Mr. KANJORSKI, Pennsylvania  
Mr. UPTON, Michigan  
Mr. McNULTY, New York  
Mr. STEARNS, Florida  
Mr. TANNER, Tennessee  
Mr. BACHUS, Alabama  
Mr. MICA, Florida

Mr. WATT, North Carolina  
Mr. EHLERS, Michigan  
Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois  
Mr. SHADEGG, Arizona  
Mr. WICKER, Mississippi  
Mrs. EMERSON, Missouri  
Mr. ADERHOLT, Alabama  
Mrs. BIGGERT, Illinois  
Mr. MOORE, Kansas  
Mr. REYNOLDS, New York  
Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Illinois  
Mr. WALDEN, Oregon  
Mr. PENCE, Indiana  
Mr. ROSS, Arkansas  
Mr. FORBES, Virginia  
Mr. BOOZMAN, Arkansas  
Mr. WILSON, South Carolina  
Mr. COLE, Oklahoma  
Mr. GINGREY, Georgia  
Mr. KING, Iowa  
Mr. CHANDLER, Kentucky  
Mr. INGLIS, South Carolina  
Mr. CONAWAY, Texas  
Mr. DENT, Pennsylvania  
Mr. PRICE, Georgia

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Monday next for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 8 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, September 17, 2007, 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:

3269. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, Case Number 06-11, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3270. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, Case Number 06-02, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3271. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Navy, Case Number 06-03, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3272. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, Case Number 05-03, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3273. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Navy, Case Number 07-01, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

3274. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revising the Budget Period Limitation for Research Grants and Cooperative Agreements [EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0419,

FRL-8466-9] (RIN: 2080-AA12) received September 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3275. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Tennessee; Approval of Revisions to the Tennessee SIP and the Nashville/Davidson County Portion of the Tennessee SIP; Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3276. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Georgia: Redesignation of Macon, Georgia 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment for Ozone [EPA-R04-OAR-2007-0548-200741; FRL-8466-4] received September 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3277. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Clean Air Interstate Rule [EPA-R03-OAR-2007-0448; FRL-8465-6] received September 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3278. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; VOC Emissions from Fuel Grade Ethanol Production Operations [EPA-R05-OAR-2007-0293; FRL-8464-4] received September 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3279. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Control of VOC Emissions from Crude Oil Lightening Operations [EPA-R03-OAR-2007-0451; FRL-8465-9] received September 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

3280. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting consistent with the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-243), the Authorization for the Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (Pub. L. 102-1), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, a report prepared by the Department of State for the June 15, 2007 — August 15, 2007 reporting period including matters relating to post-liberation Iraq under Section 7 of the Iraq Liberation Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-338); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3281. A letter from the Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's biennial report on the use of federal assistance provided to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission covering FY 2005 and FY 2006, pursuant to Section 811(c)(2) of the Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3282. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting notification that funding under Title V, subsection 503(b)(3) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, has exceeded \$5 million for