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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
June 5, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable LINCOLN DAVIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

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

### PRAYER

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

Lord, You know us. Lord, You know us through and through. You know each of us personally. You know how we are with one another. You know us, as Your people know us, the 110th Congress of the United States of America.

Lord, help us to know You. Allow us to come to know You even as we are known by You. As Ultimate Truth, enter in and make us suitable of Your dwelling within us, so Your people will place trust in us as leaders, as well as their representatives.

We choose to serve another day, another week, for we were chosen by You and Your people to serve.

Bless us and our service to this great Nation, 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. Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KIRK 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, May 25, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*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 May 25, 2007, at 9:00 am:

That the Senate concurs in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 2206.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1676.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1675.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 158.

That the Senate passed S. 231.

That the Senate passed S. Con. Res. 32.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

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

### RESIGNATION AS MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as a member of the Committee on Small Business:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
June 5, 2007.

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

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: In the light of recent developments in a legal matter involving me in the Eastern District of Virginia, I hereby request a leave from my duties as a Member of the House Small Business Committee pending my successful conclusion of that matter.

In doing so, I, of course, express no admission of guilt or culpability in that or any other matter that may be pending in any court or before the House of Representatives. I have supported every ethics and lobbying reform measure that you and our Democratic Majority have authored, and I make this request for leave to support the letter and the spirit of your leadership in this area.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. JEFFERSON.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

### MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE TO BE AVAILABLE TO SERVE ON INVESTIGATIVE SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5(a)(4)(A) of rule X, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the Speaker named the following Members of the House to be available to serve on investigative subcommittees of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct for the 110th Congress:

Ms. BALDWIN, Wisconsin  
Mr. CROWLEY, New York  
Mr. ELLISON, Minnesota  
Mr. HONDA, California  
Mr. INSLEE, Washington  
Ms. LEE, California  
Mr. MEEKS, New York  
Mrs. NAPOLITANO, California  
Mr. ROTHRMAN, New Jersey  
Mr. SNYDER, Arkansas

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