

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. INHOFE of Oklahoma, Mr. LANKFORD of Oklahoma, Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts, and Mr. MCCONNELL of Kentucky.

These Senators, escorted by Ms. WARREN and Mr. PAUL, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. MERKLEY of Oregon, Mr. PERDUE of Georgia, Mr. PETERS of Michigan, and Mr. REED of Rhode Island.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. Harkin, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. ISAKSON, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. Levin, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. RISCH of Idaho, Mr. ROBERTS of Kansas, Mr. ROUNDS of South Dakota, and Mr. SASSE of Nebraska.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CRAPO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mrs. FISCHER, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. SESSIONS of Alabama, Mrs. SHAHEEN of New Hampshire, Mr. SULLIVAN of Alaska, and Mr. TILLIS of North Carolina.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. SHELBY, Ms. AYOTTE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. BURR, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the final group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico and Mr. WARNER of Virginia.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. HEINRICH and Mr. KAINE, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The VICE PRESIDENT. The majority leader is recognized.

#### QUORUM CALL

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The absence of a quorum having been suggested, the clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll, and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered to their names:

[Quorum No. 1 Leg.]

Alexander	Fischer	Nelson
Ayotte	Flake	Paul
Baldwin	Franken	Perdue
Barrasso	Gardner	Peters
Bennet	Graham	Portman
Blunt	Grassley	Reed
Booker	Hatch	Risch
Boozman	Heinrich	Roberts
Burr	Hirono	Rounds
Cantwell	Hoeven	Rubio
Capito	Inhofe	Sanders
Cardin	Isakson	Sasse
Carper	Johnson	Schatz
Casey	Kaine	Schumer
Cassidy	King	Scott
Coats	Kirk	Sessions
Cochran	Klobuchar	Shaheen
Collins	Lankford	Shelby
Coons	Leahy	Stabenow
Corker	Lee	Sullivan
Cornyn	Manchin	Tester
Cotton	Markey	Thune
Crapo	McCain	Tillis
Cruz	McConnell	Udall
Daines	Menendez	Vitter
Donnelly	Merkley	Warner
Durbin	Mikulski	Warren
Enzi	Murkowski	Whitehouse
Ernst	Murphy	Wicker
Feinstein	Murray	

The VICE PRESIDENT. A quorum is present.

#### LIST OF SENATORS BY STATES

Alabama—Richard C. Shelby and Jeff Sessions  
 Alaska—Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan  
 Arizona—John McCain and Jeff Flake  
 Arkansas—John Boozman and Tom Cotton  
 California—Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer  
 Colorado—Michael F. Bennet and Cory Gardner  
 Connecticut—Richard Blumenthal and Christopher Murphy  
 Delaware—Thomas R. Carper and Christopher A. Coons

Florida—Bill Nelson and Marco Rubio

Georgia—Johnny Isakson and David Perdue

Hawaii—Brian Schatz and Mazie Hirono

Idaho—Mike Crapo and James E. Risch

Illinois—Richard J. Durbin and Mark Kirk

Indiana—Daniel Coats and Joe Donnelly

Iowa—Chuck Grassley and Joni Ernst

Kansas—Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran

Kentucky—Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul

Louisiana—David Vitter and Bill Cassidy

Maine—Susan M. Collins and Angus S. King, Jr.

Maryland—Barbara A. Mikulski and Benjamin L. Cardin

Massachusetts—Elizabeth Warren and Edward J. Markey

Michigan—Debbie Stabenow and Gary C. Peters

Minnesota—Amy Klobuchar and Al Franken

Mississippi—Thad Cochran and Roger F. Wicker

Missouri—Claire McCaskill and Roy Blunt

Montana—Jon Tester and Steve Daines

Nebraska—Deb Fischer and Ben Sasse

Nevada—Harry Reid and Dean Heller

New Hampshire—Jeanne Shaheen

and Kelly Ayotte

New Jersey—Robert Menendez and Cory A. Booker

New Mexico—Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich

New York—Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten E. Gillibrand

North Carolina—Richard Burr and Thom Tillis

North Dakota—John Hoeven and Heidi Heitkamp

Ohio—Sherrod Brown and Rob Portman

Oklahoma—James M. Inhofe and James Lankford

Oregon—Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley

Pennsylvania—Robert P. Casey, Jr. and Patrick J. Toomey

Rhode Island—Jack Reed and Sheldon Whitehouse

South Carolina—Lindsey Graham and Tim Scott

South Dakota—John Thune and Mike Rounds

Tennessee—Lamar Alexander and Bob Corker

Texas—John Cornyn and Ted Cruz

Utah—Orrin G. Hatch and Mike Lee

Vermont—Patrick J. Leahy and Bernard Sanders

Virginia—Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine

Washington—Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell

West Virginia—Joe Manchin III and Shelley Moore Capito

Wisconsin—Ron Johnson and Tammy Baldwin

Wyoming—Michael B. Enzi and John Barrasso

#### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MINORITY LEADER

The VICE PRESIDENT. The acting Democratic leader is recognized.

#### ABSENCE OF DEMOCRATIC LEADER

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, the Democratic leader is necessarily absent. I will be acting in his stead until his return.

#### INFORMING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES THAT A QUORUM OF EACH HOUSE IS AS- SEMBLED

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk, and I ask for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 1) informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 1) reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 1

*Resolved*, That a committee consisting of two Senators be appointed to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of each House is assembled and that the Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Pursuant to S. Res. 1, the Chair appoints the Senator from Kentucky, Mr. MCCONNELL, and the Senator from Illinois, Mr. DURBIN, as a committee to join the committee on the part of the House of Representatives to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum is assembled and the Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

#### INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REP- RESENTATIVES THAT A QUORUM OF THE SENATE IS ASSEMBLED

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 2) informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 2) reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 2

*Resolved*, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and that the Senate is ready to proceed to business.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

#### ELECTING ORRIN G. HATCH TO BE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 3) to elect ORRIN G. HATCH, a Senator from the State of Utah, to be President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 3) reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 3

*Resolved*, That Orrin G. Hatch, a Senator from the State of Utah, be, and he is hereby, elected President of the Senate pro tempore.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Senator HATCH will be escorted to the desk.

Senator ORRIN G. HATCH, escorted by Mr. MCCONNELL and Mr. LEAHY, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President, and the oath prescribed by law was administered to him by the Vice President.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

#### NOTIFYING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF THE ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Mr. MCCONNELL. I have a resolution at the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 4) notifying the President of the United States of the election of a President pro tempore.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 4) reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 4

*Resolved*, That the President of the United States be notified of the election of the Honorable Orrin G. Hatch as President of the Senate pro tempore.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

#### NOTIFYING THE HOUSE OF REP- RESENTATIVES OF THE ELEC- TION OF A PRESIDENT PRO TEM- PORE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Mr. MCCONNELL. I have a resolution at the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 5) notifying the House of Representatives of the election of a President pro tempore.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 5) reads as follows:

##### S. RES. 5

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives be notified of the election of the Honorable Orrin G. Hatch as President of the Senate pro tempore.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

#### EXPRESSING THE THANKS OF THE SENATE TO THE HONORABLE PATRICK J. LEAHY FOR HIS SERVICE AS PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE AND TO DES- IGNATE SENATOR LEAHY AS PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EMERITUS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Mr. MCCONNELL. I have a resolution at the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 6) expressing the thanks of the Senate to the Honorable PATRICK J. LEAHY for his service as President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate and to designate Senator LEAHY as President Pro Tempore Emeritus of the United States Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 6) reads as follows: