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

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
May 21, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable HENRY BONILLA to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Rabbi Moshe E. Bomzer, Congregation Beth Abraham-Jacob, Albany, New York, offered the following prayer: Blessed is He, oh, Lord our God, King of the universe, Who has given wisdom to all of mankind.

I offer this prayer on the last days of the congressional session prior to our national Memorial Day weekend. It was exactly 130 years ago almost to the day that Congress resolved that a day be set aside to recognize and memorialize those who had given their lives to defend our country in times of war and in times of peace.

President Abraham Lincoln expressed it best when he stated: "That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain. We can do them no greater honor than to keep alive that which they gave their lives to preserve; love of country, duty, honor and defense of the right as it is given to us to see the right."

Let us keep their memories alive in our hearts and deeds throughout this period of the year. May their memories be a blessing.

On behalf of all assembled here, I pray. May God Who grants salvation to kings and dominion to princes, Whose

kingdom is one that spans all eternities, bless and protect, help and exalt the President and the Vice President of the United States of America.

May God bless the leaders of our great Nation; the Members of this House of Representatives, their families and their staffs. May God bless all who help guide our Nation with honor, dignity and pride, increase their strength of soul to resist the pressure to shade truth or compromise integrity, increase their ability to advocate on behalf of a just and honest society, caring and concern for the welfare of all citizens and friends, regardless of race, creed, color, religion, gender or age. Help them welcome all the marvelous, colorful, contentious diversity of our Nation's people. Grant them the wisdom, kindness, patience and understanding to differentiate between right and wrong, good and evil, and between sanctity and impurity. Enable our leaders to bring peace among all mankind everywhere in the world.

As we celebrate this weekend, let us also realize this coming Sunday, May 24th, marks the 31st anniversary of the reunification of the City of Jerusalem, eternal capital of the state of Israel. King David wrote of the city, "Our feet would stand in the gateways of Jerusalem. Jerusalem rebuilt, as a city reunited together. Seek the peace of Jerusalem, may those who love you be at ease. May there be peace between your walls and tranquility in your palace. For the sake of my brothers and friends I shall speak with you of peace."

Bless us dear God with the light of Your countenance, shower your providence and influence for good throughout the world, uniting all mankind in peace and freedom. He who makes peace in the heavens above, may He make peace here on earth, as we say, 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.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Chair's approval of the Journal.

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

Mr. HOLDEN. 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 pro tempore. 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 339, nays 58, answered "present" 2, not voting 33, as follows:

[Roll No. 175]

YEAS—339

Abercrombie	Blunt	Chenoweth
Ackerman	Boehlert	Christensen
Allen	Boehner	Clayton
Andrews	Bonilla	Clement
Archer	Boswell	Clyburn
Armey	Boucher	Coble
Bachus	Boyd	Coburn
Baesler	Brady (TX)	Collins
Ballenger	Brown (FL)	Combest
Barcia	Brown (OH)	Condit
Barrett (NE)	Bryant	Conyers
Barrett (WI)	Bunning	Cook
Bartlett	Burton	Cooksey
Bentsen	Callahan	Coyne
Bereuter	Calvert	Cramer
Berman	Camp	Cubin
Berry	Campbell	Cummings
Bilbray	Canady	Cunningham
Bilirakis	Cannon	Danner
Bishop	Capps	Davis (FL)
Blagojevich	Cardin	Davis (IL)
Bliley	Castle	Davis (VA)
Blumenauer	Chabot	Deal

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DeGette	Kim	Quinn
Delahunt	Kind (WI)	Radanovich
DeLauro	King (NY)	Rahall
DeLay	Kingston	Rangel
Deutsch	Klecza	Redmond
Diaz-Balart	Klink	Regula
Dickey	Klug	Reyes
Dicks	Knollenberg	Riggs
Dingell	LaFalce	Riley
Doggett	LaHood	Rivers
Dooley	Lampson	Rodriguez
Doolittle	Lantos	Roemer
Doyle	Largent	Rogan
Dreier	Latham	Rogers
Duncan	LaTourette	Rohrabacher
Dunn	Lazio	Ros-Lehtinen
Edwards	Leach	Rothman
Ehlers	Lee	Roukema
Ehrlich	Levin	Roybal-Allard
Emerson	Lewis (CA)	Royce
Engel	Linder	Rush
Eshoo	Lipinski	Ryun
Etheridge	Livingston	Salmon
Evans	Lofgren	Sanchez
Everett	Lucas	Sanders
Ewing	Luther	Sandlin
Farr	Maloney (CT)	Sanford
Fattah	Maloney (NY)	Sawyer
Fawell	Manton	Saxton
Foley	Manzullo	Scarborough
Forbes	Martinez	Schaefer, Dan
Ford	Mascara	Sensenbrenner
Fossella	Matsui	Serrano
Fowler	McCarthy (MO)	Sessions
Frank (MA)	McCarthy (NY)	Shadegg
Franks (NJ)	McCrery	Shaw
Frost	McDade	Shays
Furse	McGovern	Sherman
Gallegly	McHale	Shimkus
Ganske	McHugh	Shuster
Gejdenson	McInnis	Sisisky
Gekas	McIntosh	Skeen
Gilchrest	McIntyre	Skelton
Gillmor	McKeon	Smith (MI)
Gilman	McKinney	Smith (NJ)
Goode	McNulty	Smith (OR)
Goodlatte	Meehan	Smith (TX)
Gordon	Meek (FL)	Smith, Adam
Goss	Metcalf	Smith, Linda
Graham	Mica	Snowbarger
Greenwood	Millender-	Snyder
Hall (TX)	McDonald	Solomon
Hamilton	Miller (CA)	Souder
Hansen	Miller (FL)	Spence
Hastert	Minge	Spratt
Hastings (WA)	Mink	Stabenow
Hayworth	Moakley	Stark
Hefner	Mollohan	Stearns
Herger	Moran (VA)	Stenholm
Hill	Morella	Stokes
Hinojosa	Murtha	Strickland
Hobson	Myrick	Stump
Hoekstra	Nadler	Sununu
Holden	Neal	Talent
Hooey	Nethercutt	Tanner
Horn	Neumann	Tauscher
Hostettler	Ney	Tauzin
Houghton	Northup	Taylor (NC)
Hoyer	Norwood	Thomas
Hulshof	Olver	Thornberry
Hunter	Ortiz	Thune
Hutchinson	Oxley	Tiahrt
Inglis	Packard	Towns
Istook	Pappas	Trafficant
Jackson (IL)	Parker	Upton
Jackson-Lee	Pascrell	Walsh
(TX)	Paul	Watkins
Jefferson	Paxon	Watt (NC)
Jenkins	Payne	Watts (OK)
John	Pease	Waxman
Johnson (CT)	Pelosi	Weldon (FL)
Jones	Peterson (MN)	Weldon (PA)
Kanjorski	Peterson (PA)	Weygand
Kaptur	Petri	White
Kasich	Pickering	Wise
Kelly	Pitts	Wolf
Kennedy (MA)	Pombo	Woolsey
Kennedy (RI)	Porter	Wynn
Kennelly	Portman	Yates
Kildee	Price (NC)	Young (FL)
Kilpatrick	Pryce (OH)	

NAYS—58

Aderholt	Clay	Filner
Baldacci	Costello	Fox
Becerra	DeFazio	Gephardt
Bonior	English	Gibbons
Borski	Ensign	Green
Brown (CA)	Fazio	Gutierrez

Gutknecht	Moran (KS)	Taylor (MS)
Hastings (FL)	Nussle	Thompson
Hefley	Oberstar	Thurman
Hilleary	Obey	Velazquez
Hilliard	Pallone	Vento
Hinches	Pastor	Visclosky
Johnson, E. B.	Pickett	Wamp
Kucinich	Poshard	Waters
Lewis (GA)	Ramstad	Weller
LoBiondo	Sabo	Wexler
Lowe	Schaffer, Bob	Whitfield
Markey	Scott	Wicker
McDermott	Slaughter	
Menendez	Stupak	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—2

Carson	Goodling
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NOT VOTING—33

Baker	Crapo	Lewis (KY)
Barr	Dixon	McCollum
Barton	Frelinghuysen	Meeks (NY)
Bass	Gonzalez	Owens
Bateman	Granger	Pomeroy
Bono	Hall (OH)	Schumer
Burr	Harman	Skaggs
Buyer	Hyde	Tierney
Chambliss	Johnson (WI)	Torres
Cox	Johnson, Sam	Turner
Crane	Kolbe	Young (AK)

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. TIAHRT) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. TIAHRT 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate insists upon its amendments to the bill (H.R. 3130) "An Act to provide for an alternative penalty procedure for States that fail to meet Federal child support data processing requirements, to reform Federal incentive payments for effective child support performance, to provide for a more flexible penalty procedure for States that violate interjurisdictional adoption requirements, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make certain aliens determined to be delinquent in the payment of child support inadmissible and ineligible for naturalization, and for other purposes," disagreed to by the House and agrees to the conference asked by the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints from the Committee on Finance: Mr. ROTH, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MOYNIHAN, and Mr. BAUCUS; and from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. COATS, and Mr. KENNEDY, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

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,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, May 20, 1998.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the unofficial results received from Dick Filling, Commissioner, Bureau of Commissions, Elections and Legislation, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held on May 19, 1998, the Honorable Robert A. Brady was elected to the Office of Representative in Congress, from the First Congressional District, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT A. BRADY, OF PENNSYLVANIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Pennsylvania, Mr. Robert A. Brady, be permitted to take the oath of office today. His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The Chair requests the newly elected Member and the Pennsylvania delegation to come to the well.

Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania 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 in which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are a Member of the United States House of Representatives.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT A. BRADY

(Mr. BORSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BORSKI. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor today to introduce to my colleagues the newest Member from Pennsylvania's first district, BOB BRADY. On last Tuesday's special election, he is replacing our former colleague, the Ambassador to Italy, Tom Foglietta.

The minority leader mentioned there was no contest. Mr. BRADY won with an