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Senate

The fourth day of January being the day prescribed by House Concurrent Resolution 315 for the meeting of the lst session of the 104th Congress, the Senate assembled in its Chamber at the Capitol, at 12 noon.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Richard C. Halverson, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

In a moment of silence, let us remember David Marcos, assistant executive clerk in the Secretary's office, who lost his wife, Ann, last Thursday.

For there is no power but of God: The powers that be are ordained of God.—Romans 13:1.

Eternal God, sovereign Lord of history, Governor of the nations, Your word is very clear. Authority comes from God, and authority is accountable to God. As the Senate opens the 104th Congress, engrave in the hearts and minds of Your servants this transcendent truth. Help them to live their lives and do their work profoundly aware of their God-ordained responsibility.

Gracious God, grant to the Senators who are sworn in today a special sense of this profound fact, that they are here not simply because they sought the office or because the people elected them but that behind the whole process was the sovereign appointment of the Lord

Grant them grace to fulfill the purpose for which Thou hast placed them here. Be with their families as they make the adjustments to the tough schedules and the endless hours demanded of Senators. Grant to all who serve in the Senate the gifts of love and loyalty and patience.

We pray in His name who is truth and love incarnate. Amen.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION AND CREDENTIALS

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate one certificate of election to fill an unexpired term and the credentials of 33 Senators elected for 6-year terms beginning on January 3, 1995.

All certificates, the Chair is advised, are in the form suggested by the Senate or contain all the essential requirements of the form suggested by the Senate. If there be no objection, the reading of the above-mentioned letters and the certificates will be waived, and they will be printed in full in the RECORD.

The majority leader.

Mr. DOLE. There is no objection.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The documents ordered to be printed in the RECORD are as follows:

STATE OF TENNESSEE

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR UNEXPIRED TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 8th day of November, 1994, Fred Thompson was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Tennessee a Senator for the unexpired term ending at noon on the 3rd day of January, 1997 to fill the vacancy in the representation from said State in the Senate of the United States caused by the resignation of Al Gore, Ir.

Witness: His excellency our Governor, Ned McWherter, and our seal hereto affixed at Nashville this 2nd day of December, in the year of our Lord 1994.

By the Governor:

NED MCWHERTER, Governor.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the 8th day of November, 1994, E. Spencer Abraham of 841

Chaseway Blvd., Auburn Hills, Michigan, 48326, was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Michigan a Senator from said State to represent the State of Michigan in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 1995.

Witness: His excellency our governor John Engler, and our seal hereto affixed at tenthirty a.m. this seventh day of December, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-four.

JOHN ENGLER, Governor.

STATE OF HAWAII

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the eighth day of November, 1994, Daniel K. Akaka was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Hawaii a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 1995.

Witness: His excellency our governor, John Waihee, and our seal hereto affixed at Honolulu this 28th day of November, in the year of our Lord 1994.

By the Governor:

JOHN WAIHEE. Governor.

STATE OF MISSOURI

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 8th day of November, 1994, John Ashcroft was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Missouri a Senator from said state to represent said state in the United States Senate for a term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 1995.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 7th day of December, 1994.

MEL CARNAHAN,

Governor.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

