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## House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GUTKNECHT).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
July 31, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable GIL GUTKNECHT to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Ronald F. Christian, Lutheran Social Services of Northern Virginia, Fairfax, Virginia, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we acknowledge that in every age you have sent men and women who have given unselfishly of all that they possessed, including, in some instances, their very lives, as a sacrifice for the community.

Bless we pray the memory of all those known and unknown to us but whose names are forever engraved in Your great book of life.

O God, on this day, hallow, we pray, both the memory and the message of our dear friends and the creations of Your own hand.

May our reflection of persons who once walked and talked with us be, to those of us who knew them, filled to overflowing with the spirit of grace and love.

May the message of the sacrifice of people be always, to each of us, an inspiration for our lives so that, in the great privilege of simply living, we may find joy in our work, peace in our relationships, and a personal satisfaction in serving our neighbor. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The CHAIRMAN 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 CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. SHIMKUS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SHIMKUS 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 had passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 872. An act to establish rules governing product liability actions against raw materials and bulk component suppliers to medical device manufacturers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1085. An act to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations."

H.R. 3731. An act to designate the auditorium located within the Sandia Technology Transfer Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steve Schiff Auditorium."

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1702. An act to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2920. An act to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to modify the requirements for implementation of an entry-exit control system.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1385) "An Act to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills and a concurrent resolution of the following titles, in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 53. An act to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball, and for other purposes.

S. 314. An act to provide a process for identifying the functions of the Federal Government that are not inherently governmental functions, and for other purposes.

S. 512. An act to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud, and for other purposes.

S. 1134. An act granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.

S. 1700. An act to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Robert C. Weaver Federal Building."

S. 2112. An act to make the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 applicable to the United States Postal Service in the same manner as any other employer.

S. 2344. An act to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to provide for the advance payment, in full, of the fiscal year 1999 payments otherwise required under production flexibility contracts.

S. Con. Res. 115. Concurrent resolution to authorize the printing of copies of the publication entitled "The United States Capitol" as a Senate document.

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