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The Senate met at 2:01 p.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

O Gracious Father, all that we have and are is Your gift. Sharpen the memories of our hearts so that we may have an attitude of gratitude. You have been so faithful to help us when we have humbly asked that You would give us Your guidance and strength. May we be as quick to praise You for what You have done in the past as we are to ask You to bless the future. We have come to You in difficulties and crises and You have been on time and in time in Your interventions. Thank You, Lord, for Your providential care of this Senate as it deals with the im-

mense challenges in completing the work of this 106th Congress. Grant the Senators a heightened sense of the dynamic role that You have given each of them to play in the unfolding drama of American history.

And Lord, the Senators would be the first to express gratitude for their staffs who make it possible for them to accomplish their work. Together we praise You for all of the people who enable this Senate to function effectively—all of those here in the Chamber, the parliamentarians and the clerks, the staff in the Cloakrooms, the reporters of debates, and the doorkeepers. We thank You for the Capitol Police, elevator operators, food service personnel, and those in environmental services. Help us to express our gratitude to all of them as essential members of the Senate family.

And today we share grief at the recent death of Betty Bunch, who served the Senate so faithfully for 23 years and was strategic in implementing the Sergeant at Arms' Postal Square facility.

Most of all, we are thankful for You, dear God, Sovereign of this free land, Source of all of our blessings that we have, and Lord of the future. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable CHARLES GRASSLEY, a Senator from the State of Iowa, 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.

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WILLIAM M. THOMAS, *Chairman*.

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