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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 14, 2011, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2011

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God, our fortress and source of freedom, You are always attentive to our pleas. We need to be more attentive to Your response and Your commands. Or we are left to ourselves.

You are loving with those who love You. With those sincere, You show Yourself to be sincere. With the cunning, You can undo their cunning.

So shed Your light upon the House of Representatives; that step by step, in a unified effort, we may build a society where stability and creativity will flourish and we may even glimpse Your glory, both now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

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

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered. The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. ALTMIRE 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

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

Mr. RIGELL. Mr. Speaker, when future generations look back at the 112th Congress, they should be able to remember us as the Congress that made the tough decisions that got our economy back on track and restored America to greatness. That's why I fully support the commitment to cut at least \$100 billion from the President's budget. We're a country that is over \$14 trillion in debt, which is placing every

American, regardless of political party, at serious and increasing risk.

We're borrowing more than 40 percent of what we're spending, and my 2-year-old grandson is already \$45,000 in debt. And to say that our spending is simply unsustainable, that doesn't quite capture in my mind the gravity of our situation.

To meet the deep obligation that we have to pass on to the future generations the blessings of liberty and freedom, we must act now and act decisively. That's why I'm here this morning to emphatically ask that this Congress, in this session, works together to find our way to \$100 billion in cuts.

PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

(Mrs. MALONEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. MALONEY. Madam Speaker, the new Republican proposal to eliminate all funding for the many services provided by organizations such as Planned Parenthood are not merely anti-choice, they are also anti-health, anti-woman, and anti-poor.

The Republican proposal would eliminate the title X family planning which gives millions of American women access to primary and preventive health care. These budget cuts would deny crucial health services and cancer screening just to women. Their proposal would set up insurmountable cost barriers to family planning, just for the poor.

Their vision of smaller government would expand the government's power

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