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The Senate met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

### PRAYER

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

Let us pray:

Tomorrow morning, Officer David Agner will have surgery near his brain—very serious. In a moment of silence, let us remember the officer and his family.

*Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.*—Revelation 4:11.

Gracious God and Father, the Founders of our Republic understood this fundamental truth and, upon it, based their conviction of human equality, human rights, and a government whose purpose was to secure these rights and whose authority was derived from the people. Grant us to see, O God, that if we undermine this foundation of our Government, we, sooner or later, jeopardize the superstructure which was built upon it. As we forsake the root of our national uniqueness, we forfeit the fruit.

Help us to comprehend, dear God, that this is one explanation for the futility of our best human efforts today. We are struggling to preserve the benefits of a belief which we no longer hold to be true. We have smashed the foundation and are striving to prevent the superstructure from collapsing.

Forgive the secularism, the antisupernaturalism which we have exchanged for faith in a Creator God which motivated our Founding Fathers. Restore unto us their beliefs that we may recover the riches of the legacy they transmitted to us before it is too late.

We pray this in the name of Him who is the Light of the world. Amen.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The distinguished Senator from Montana is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, on behalf of the majority leader, under his previous order, morning business shall be until the hour of 2 p.m. and with leaders' time being reserved. Senator CONRAD is to be recognized for 15 minutes, Senator SIMON for 15 minutes, Senator THOMAS for 5, Senator MURKOWSKI for 10, and Senator COHEN for 15.

At 2 o'clock begins the consideration of House Joint Resolution 1, the balanced budget constitutional amendment. There will be debate only today. And by order of the majority leader, there will be no rollcall votes for today.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 2 p.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein for not to exceed 10 minutes each. Under the previous order, the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. CONRAD] is to be recognized to speak for up to 15 minutes.

Mr. GORTON addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BURNS). The Senator from Washington is recognized.

### CONGRESSMAN STEVE LARGENT

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, late last week, the Member of Congress from the First District in the State of Oklahoma [STEVE LARGENT] was voted into the National Football League's Hall of Fame in the first year during which he was eligible for that honor.

While Mr. LARGENT represents a State a long way from my own State of Washington, his entire National Football League career was, of course, as a member of the Seattle Seahawks. And so for many years, for more than half of the year he was a resident of the Puget Sound region.

Very rarely have so many distinctions come to a person of the age of STEVE LARGENT, as an outstanding football player, both in college and in the National Football League, as an elected Member of the Congress of the United States, and as a person with a great deal of fame. Rarely, I may say, has anyone so deserved those honors.

I think STEVE LARGENT would be the first to say that he was far from the fastest or the most gifted person playing in the National Football League, but due to a tremendous amount of self-discipline and dedication, he became one of the most outstanding persons in our generation to play that fascinating game.

But I believe that Mr. LARGENT and all of us would say that more important than his fame as a football player, more important than his membership in the Congress of the United States, has been the example he has presented to those who have come to know him through those activities as a human being: As a husband, as a father, as an activist Christian. With those as his No. 1 goals, he has nonetheless been

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