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The Senate met at 9:30 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Today's prayer will be offered by our guest Chaplain, the Reverend Richard C. Halverson, Jr., of Arlington, VA.

PRAYER

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

Let us pray:

God of the Nations, Lord of History, Thy Word declares that, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."—Psalms 127:1. Again, it is written, " * * * let every man take heed how he buildeth * * * "—1 Cor. 3:10b.

Though much of the burden for building our Nation rests upon the "council of elders"¹ within this Senate, we know that unless Thy decrees uphold us, the hours we spend in our best legislation are in vain.

In the words of President Lincoln, whose birth we soon celebrate: "Without the assistance of that Divine Being * * * I cannot succeed. With that assistance, I cannot fail. Trusting in Him, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well."²

Once again, in the urgency of this hour, we beseech Thee for divine assistance. We pray for a hedge of enlightened restraint around this "necessary fence"³ of the Senate. For through this body, regulations must pass that will

either strengthen or weaken our country.

As pressures mount for instant solutions to complex problems, grant those who hold this "senatorial trust"⁴ the calm resolve to be not driven by public restlessness, nor drifting in stubborn idleness, but drawn by Thy vision of righteousness—which upholdeth the Nation.

And if the machinery of government seems to turn too slowly against the tide of national anxiety, may those who labor here take courage from the tortoise who, by perseverance, reached the ark, even in the face of an impending flood. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, this morning the time for the two leaders has been reserved and there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business until the hour of 10 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each, with the following Senators to speak for up to the designated times: Senator THURMOND, 15 minutes; Senator CAMPBELL, 10 minutes, and Senator ROBB 5 minutes.

At the hour of 10 a.m., the Senate will resume consideration of House Joint Resolution 1, the balanced budget constitutional amendment, with Senator PACKWOOD to be recognized for up to 60 minutes. At the hour of 11 o'clock, Senator DASCHLE will be recognized for up to 15 minutes, to be followed by Senator DOLE for up to 15 minutes. At the hour of 11:30, the Senate will vote on or

in relation to a second-degree amendment to the motion to refer.

Therefore, Senators should be on notice that there will be a rollcall vote at 11:30 this morning.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COVERDELL). The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. THURMOND] is recognized to speak for up to 15 minutes.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I thank the Chair.

(The remarks of Mr. THURMOND pertaining to the introduction of S. 383 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, today, it is my distinct honor to reflect on the accomplishments of Rabbi Joshua O. Haberman, who has been serving as our guest Chaplain for this week. Rabbi Haberman's credentials and accomplishments are numerous, but let me take a minute to highlight some of his achievements.

Rabbi Haberman is the founder and president of the Foundation for Jewish Studies which sponsors a large variety of Jewish Study programs for the Greater Washington community. He is rabbi emeritus of the Washington Hebrew Congregation, the largest and oldest congregation in the District of Columbia and a past-president of the Washington Board of Rabbis.

¹The word "Senate" is derived from the Latin word, "senatus", "council of elders".

²These words were spoken by President-elect Lincoln as he left Springfield, Illinois, for Washington, D.C., in February, 1861 (McCullister, John. "So Help Me God", Landmark Books, p. 81 (1982)).

³James Madison referred to the Senate as a "necessary fence" of "enlightened citizens" whose responsibility it was to protect the rights and property of its citizens against "public impetuosity".

⁴Alexander Hamilton spoke of a "senatorial trust."

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