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The Senate met at 9:45 a.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:

Let us pray:

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God almighty. Heaven and Earth are filled with Your glory. Praise and honor be to You, Lord most high. Lord of all creation, re-create our hearts to love You above all. Ruler of the universe, reign over us. Lord of our Nation, we invite You to live in us as our personal Lord. Sovereign of history, guide the vital page in history that will be written today. As we begin this new day, we declare our dependence and interdependence. We confess with humility that we are totally dependent on You, dear God. We could not breathe a breath, think a thought, or exercise dynamic leadership without Your constant and consistent blessing. We praise You for the gifts of intellect, education, and experience. All You have done in us has been in preparation for what You want to do through us now. We are here by Your divine appointment.

And we know we could not achieve the excellence You desire without the tireless efforts of others. We thank You for our families and friends, the faithful and loyal staffs that make it possible for the Senators to function so effectively, and for all who make the work of this Senate run smoothly. Help us express our gratitude by singing our appreciation for the unsung heroes and heroines who do ordinary tasks with extraordinary diligence. We praise You for the gift of life and those who make work a joy. In the name of Him who taught us the greatness of being servant leaders. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

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

SCHEDULE

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, this morning the leader time has been reserved, and there will be a period for morning business until the hour of 10:45 a.m., with Senators to speak for up to 5 minutes each with the exception of the following: Senator CAMPBELL, 10 minutes, and Senators NICKLES and REID, 10 minutes combined. At the hour of 10:45 a.m. today, the Senate will proceed to a 15-minute rollcall vote on passage of S. 219, the regulatory moratorium bill. Immediately following the vote on passage of S. 219, the Senate will begin consideration of H.R. 1158, the supplemental disaster assistance bill. Therefore all Senators should be aware that votes can be expected throughout today's session.

MORNING BUSINESS

(The remarks of Mr. CAMPBELL pertaining to the introduction of S. 644 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I note the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The minority leader is recognized.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I will use my leadership time this morning to talk about a couple of issues, if I may.

REGULATORY TRANSITION ACT

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I wish to commend, first of all, Senator NICKLES and Senator REID for their leadership over the last couple of days. The legislation that the Senate will be voting on a little later on is legislation that I believe enjoys broad bipartisan support. It does so because it is moderate, because it addresses a serious problem, and because it gives us a tool with which to work more effectively through the regulatory morass that has existed now for a long period of time.

I think it is equally clear that the moratorium is dead. We have driven a wooden stake through the heart of the moratorium. It is dead and I say good riddance.

This legislation, were it to come up again out of conference, would suffer the same consequences. I want everyone to understand the great disappointment that would be felt on our side were the moratorium to come back at some later date or in some other form. We have negotiated and worked in good faith, and I think we, as a result of that good-faith work over the last couple of days, have come up with an alternative to the moratorium, something that we expect to be an effective tool, something that we strongly support on this side of the aisle.

We have laid out the adverse consequences of a moratorium. I believe that both Republicans and Democrats want to ensure that we do not jeopardize meat safety, that we do not jeopardize children with dangerous toys, that we do not jeopardize women with the loss of good mammography, that we do not jeopardize people with the problems that a moratorium would

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