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The House met at 12 noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Ms. GREENE of Utah].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 8, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable ENID GREENE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Breathe into our hearts, O God, the fullness of beauty and grace; lift our eyes, O God, so we see the majesty of Heaven and Earth; encourage our voices, O God, to sing with praise and thanksgiving for the gifts of life; open our hands, O God, so we do the works of justice and mercy and in all things may we know that we are Your people, and You are our God. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. MONTGOMERY] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MONTGOMERY 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.

ELECTION OF THE HONORABLE ENID GREENE OF UTAH AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE THROUGH WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 1996

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 471) electing Representative ENID GREENE of Utah to act as Speaker pro tempore, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

HOUSE RESOLUTION 471

Resolved, that the Honorable ENID GREENE, a Representative from the State of Utah, be, and she is hereby, elected Speaker pro tempore through Wednesday, July 10, 1996.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House shall notify the President and the Senate of the election of the Honorable ENID GREENE as Speaker pro tempore during the absence of the Speaker.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ENID GREENE OF UTAH AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE THROUGH WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 1996

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Would the gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. LIVINGSTON] administer the oath of office to the Chair?

Ms. GREENE of Utah took the oath of office, administered to her by the gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. LIVINGSTON], as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the

United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS TO FILE PRIVILEGED REPORTS ON DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 1997, AND DEPARTMENTS OF TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 1997

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Appropriations may have until midnight tonight, July 8, 1996, to file two privileged reports on bills making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes; and the Departments of the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XXI, all points of order are reserved on the bills.

REPORT ON H.R. 3754, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 1997

Mr. LIVINGSTON, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104-657), on the bill (H.R. 3754) making appropriations for the legislative branch for the

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