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House of Representatives

The House met at 4 p.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord, sometimes we are bewildered by what occurs around us. Forgive us, if we think our difficulties are so extraordinary. The fear of pain reveals us as human. We are vulnerable when anticipating troublesome times.

If we are to suffer, Lord, let it not be for our misdeeds, mistaken judgments or because we have infringed on the rights of others. If any one of us is suffering, let there be no disgrace.

You reveal Yourself as the God of compassion, You are close to all who suffer. Be their strength that in Your name, they may persevere in seeking justice and doing what is right.

Even the weakest among us, by being faithful, can give You glory 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GILMAN 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed bills of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1066. An act to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to encourage the use of and research into agricultural best practices to improve the environment, and for other purposes.

S. 1109. An act to conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and items, products, or substances containing, or labeled or advertised as containing, bear viscera, and for other purposes.

S. 1482. An act to amend the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 106–65, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, and in consultation with the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Armed Services, announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Commission on the National Military Museum:

John G. Campbell, of Virginia.

Henriette V. Warfield, of Virginia.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, October 18, 2000.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted to Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 18, 2000, at 9:27 a.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2296.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 5212.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 428.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,
Clerk of the House.

UNITED NATIONS CONSIDERING RESOLUTION CONDEMNING ISRAEL REGARDING ONGOING VIOLENCE IN MIDDLE EAST

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

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