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## Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable DEBBIE STABENOW, a Senator from the State of Michigan.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Dear God, You have promised to keep us in perfect peace if we would allow You to stay our minds on You. We join with millions of Christians, Jews, Muslims, and Buddhists, in unity on this Daylong Prayer for Peace initiated by the Pope. In the midst of the treachery of worldwide terrorism, the conflict in the Middle East, the tensions between nations, the turmoil of race relations in every nation, we cry out to You for peace in our time. We ask You to instigate in the leaders of nations the desire for peace, to inspire all warring peoples with the yearning for peace, and to imbue in all humankind the longing to negotiate peace with justice. Bless America in our peacemaking and peacekeeping responsibilities throughout the world. We claim the promise through Isaiah that You “. . . shall judge between the nations, and rebuke many people; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.”—(Isaiah 2:4). Lord, we pray for peace! Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable DEBBIE STABENOW 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.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication

to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, January 24, 2002.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE STABENOW, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
President pro tempore.

Ms. STABENOW thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

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

### SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Madam President, morning business will continue until 10 a.m. this morning with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each, the time equally divided between the two leaders or their designees. At 10 o'clock the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 622, with the Daschle economic recovery amendment the pending matter. Senator DASCHLE will be on the floor at that time to start the debate. Rollcall votes are possible throughout the day.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

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

### MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there

will now be a period for the transaction of morning business for not to extend beyond the hour of 10 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each with the time to be equally divided between the leaders or their designees.

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

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent the order for the quorum call be dispensed with.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Madam President, because I asked for the quorum call, the time would run against this side. I ask unanimous consent the time be equally divided.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. I note the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. THOMAS. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent the order for the quorum call be dispensed with.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### THE SENATE AGENDA

Mr. THOMAS. Madam President, we are all back, hopefully after a good recess and a good opportunity to visit with the folks at home and can now evaluate some of the things that have been done over the last year and, maybe more important, talk a bit about those things that are yet to come. There are many, and they are things that we must do.

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