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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CAMPBELL of California).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
February 7, 2006.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN CAMPBELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

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

Lord God, our Savior and source of our peace, be with Your beloved community as it mourns the loss of Coretta Scott King.

Many Members of Congress have joined her family and her friends from around the world gathered today in Atlanta, Georgia. Today we join them as they gather to praise Your holy name and thank You for this custodian of civil rights, witness of courage, and gracious leader. Grant to all Your people consolation and peace.

Lord, reward now all her efforts to give voice to those who suffer from poverty or injustice anywhere on Earth. Bless her efforts to breathe forth into the soul of this Nation equal justice under the law and peaceful harmony among diverse peoples.

Lord, grant Your servant eternal peace as she is greeted by her husband, Dr. Martin Luther King, and enters into Your presence forever more. 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 California (Mr. DREIER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DREIER 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.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, February 2, 2006.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 2, 2006, at 9:15 pm:

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 332.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4519.

That the Senate passed S. 1219.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 79.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

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

There was no objection.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, February 3, 2006.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 3, 2006, at 9:12 am:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4659.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, February 6, 2006.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 6, 2006, at 5:56 pm:

That the Senate passed with amendment H.R. 4297.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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