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The House met at 10 a.m.

Rev. Shawn L. Kumm, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Laramie, Wyoming, offered the following prayer:

Gracious, Heavenly Father, who is ever-watchful and attentive to the needs of this country and who has promised to "Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days," I implore You to provide for the people of this land honest and productive industry. Preserve us from famine, disasters, pestilence, and disease. Grant us courage and steadfastness in times of testing. Restrain unrest within and without our borders, and keep safe those who watch over and protect us at every level of life. Give us compassion and open hearts in times of want and need.

And finally, for this assembly who is charged with the responsibility of representing the people of this Nation, bestow wisdom and courage as laws are crafted and enacted.

To You, O Father, I give thanks and praise, with the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. TAUSCHER). The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not

present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. PERLMUTTER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PERLMUTTER 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 Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has agreed to a concurrent resolution of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. Con. Res. 30. Concurrent resolution commending the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the occasion of its 125th anniversary.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 194 of title 14, United States Code, as amended by Public Law 101-595, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Coast Guard Academy:

The Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER), from the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

The Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER), At Large.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 9355(a) of title 10,

United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Air Force Academy:

The Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), At Large.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4355(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), from the Committee on Appropriations, and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), At Large, to the Board of Visitors of the United States Military Academy.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1295(b) of title 46, United States Code, as amended by Public Law 101-595, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Merchant Marine Academy:

The Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON), from the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

The Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), At Large.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 6968(a) of title 10, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the United States Naval Academy:

The Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), from the Committee on Appropriations.

The Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), designated by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services.

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