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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2014, at 2 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2014

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Eternal God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

Once again, we come to You to ask wisdom, patience, peace, and understanding for the Members of this people's House. The words and sentiments that have been spoken and heard in these recent days were born of principle, conviction, and commitment.

We ask discernment for the Members, that they might judge anew their adherence to principle, conviction, and commitment, lest they slide uncharitably toward an inability to listen to one another and work cooperatively to solve the important issues of our day.

Give them the generosity of heart and the courage of true leadership to work toward a common solution, with sacrifice on both sides.

Finally, as they return to their respective districts, may they be open to the hopes and desires of their constituents, while being equally attentive to the needs of our Nation at large.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

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 Minnesota (Mr. PAULSEN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PAULSEN 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 5 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### KIDNAPPING OF SCHOOL GIRLS IN NIGERIA

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

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, we have all heard about the horrific and evil acts occurring in the country of Nigeria. Hundreds of young girls have been kidnapped by the terrorist group Boko Haram and are currently being held in captivity.

What did these girls do that Boko Haram considered wrong? They simply were attending school.

As the father of four daughters, I can only imagine the anguish the families of these girls are experiencing as their

loved ones are threatened to be sold into slavery. The international community cannot sit idly by while these atrocities occur.

I applaud the steps taken by the administration to send resources to the Nigerian Government to aid with the search, but more can still be done. The President needs to push for Boko Haram to be added to the United Nations Security Council's al Qaeda sanctions list to weaken their power in the region.

Mr. Speaker, whether domestically or internationally, we need to make sure that we remain vigilant against those that wish to harm and exploit young children.

### TAX CREDITS

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, in just a few short minutes, we will demonstrate whether this House does or does not have fiscal responsibility.

We ought to extend the research and development tax credit to help businesses invest in innovation—and we ought to do it permanently. But Republicans are asking us to do so without paying for it, which would add \$155 billion to the deficit. Once again, they are ignoring fiscal responsibility when it comes to tax cuts.

In 1981, 2001, and 2003, Republicans passed tax cuts without paying for them, and the outcome every time was predictable—an increase in our debt.

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