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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. RADANOVICH].

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,

November 8, 1995. I hereby designate the Honorable GEORGE P. RADANOVICH to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Deliver us, O God, from any type of violence that does damage to the human endeavor, from any kind of arrogance that allows us to think we are the only ones who know Your will. While we may know our own beliefs and attitudes and we make our best judgments as to the verities of life, we pray that we will reveal humility and contrition when we think of Your will for other people and for our world. Temper our minds and language and our actions in such manner that we truly seek truth and do so with humility that should ever be with us. In Your name we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. RADANOVICH]. 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 Ohio [Mr. CHABOT] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. CHABOT 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 had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1103. An act to amend the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, to modernize, streamline, and strengthen the operation of the Act.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces that fifteen 1-minute speeches will be allowed on each side.

THE NEW MAJORITY IS KEEPING ITS PROMISES; PRESIDENT CLIN-TON SHOULD TOO

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

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Speaker, many of us promised the people back home that when we got to Washington, we would work hard to cut the Federal spending here in Washington, lower taxes for the middle class, and overhaul welfare. Come to think about it, President Clinton campaigned on much the same platform. The difference is, we delivered on our end of the bargain by adopting those very reforms. The President, on the other hand, has had second thoughts, and third thoughts.

He promised to end welfare as we know it. Now, he threatens to veto welfare reform legislation. He promised a middle-class tax cut. Instead he engineered the largest tax increase in peacetime history.

Now, he threatens to veto legislation that will cut the taxes of millions of American working men and women. He promised to cut government spending and reduce the Federal deficit. Instead, he threatens to veto legislation that will do just that.

Mr. Speaker, we in the majority have delivered on our promises and we hope that the President will follow up on his end of the bargain.

JAPAN'S COMPLAINT

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

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, the Daiwa Bank of Japan has been indicted. They covered up billions of dollars of losses. They embezzled millions. There was mail fraud, wire fraud, conspiracy. And what is really unbelievable, the Japanese Government knew of Daiwa's crimes. The Japanese Government did nothing about Daiwa's crimes and the Japanese Government, furthermore, never, let me repeat, never notified Uncle Sam about these problems.

After all this, Japan has the nerve to complain about the Central Intelligence Agency checking out their trade programs. Unbelievable. I say, right on, John Deutch. It is time the CIA gets in the kitchen. These are threats. Shame, Japan, hide your face.

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