

The House will next meet for legislative business on Tuesday, May 1, at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and 2 p.m. for legislative business. The House will consider a number of measures under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to Member's offices tomorrow. On Tuesday, no recorded votes are expected before 6 p.m.

On Wednesday, May 2, and Thursday, May 3, the House will consider the following measures, subject to rules: H.R. 10, the Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act; and H.R. 1088, the Investor and Capital Markets Fee Relief Act.

Mr. Speaker, this week the House and the Senate appointed conferees for the Budget Resolution. Members should be advised that the Budget Resolution Conference Report may become available for consideration in the House at some point next week.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for giving us that information. I understand that the gentleman said that we are going to conference on the budget. We are not sure when it is coming back.

Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman have any guess as to whether, if it comes back, it will come back Wednesday or Thursday?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would continue to yield, obviously we intend to do the Comprehensive Retirement Security Act on Wednesday. That is fairly well scheduled. What we would want the House to do is act on that conference report any day, and I think one would realistically have to expect it may be Thursday before it comes back. Members will be concerned about their travel arrangements; and as has been our convention, Thursday is a day we return to our districts for work. And Thursday we will be out no later than 6 p.m. that evening.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY), the majority leader, for that information.

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2001, TO TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2001

Mr. PLATTS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Friday, April 27, 2001, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1, for morning hour debates.

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

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALL OF PRIVATE CALENDAR ON TUESDAY NEXT

Mr. PLATTS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the call of the Private Calendar be dispensed with on Tuesday, May 1, 2001.

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

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2001

Mr. PLATTS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, May 1, 2001, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2, for the purpose of receiving in this chamber former Members of Congress.

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

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. PLATTS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

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

There was no objection.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES ACADEMY PLACES FIRST IN "WE THE PEOPLE . . . THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION" COMPETITION

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, once again students from Our Lady of Lourdes Academy, a school in my congressional district, came to Washington, D.C. for an outstanding performance in the national "We the People . . . The Citizens and the Constitution" competition. Our Lady of Lourdes Academy represented Florida proudly, and for the second consecutive year, placed first out of 50 competing schools from every State in the Nation.

I warmly congratulate Katherine Almon, Yvette Cordova, Anna Fedak, Lauren Fernandez, Roxanne Flint, Cristina Garcia, Rebecca Gidel, Jacqueline Koch, Natalie Ladd, Alina Lopez, Stefanie Lopez-Boy, Kristina Maranges, Natalie Merino, Arienne Plasencia, Cristina Rosell, and Elizabeth Velez.

With the help and guidance of their teacher, Rosie Heffernan, these young ladies demonstrated vast knowledge and understanding of U.S. history, as well as the fundamental principles and values of our constitutional democracy.

I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. Congress join me in commending these fine young girls and their teacher for their participation in this program and for an outstanding victory and achievement this year.

EXPRESSING SENSE OF CONGRESS IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL FLAG DAY

Mr. FLETCHER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Education and the Workforce be discharged from further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 110) expressing the sense of Congress in support of National Children's Memorial Flag Day, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

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

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, although I do not intend to object, I yield to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. FLETCHER).

Mr. FLETCHER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of National Children's Memorial Flag Day and encourage national, State, and local agencies and private organizations to recognize the Children's Memorial Flag. This year all 50 States, plus the District of Columbia, will either fly the flag or recognize it in an appropriate manner.

Mr. Speaker, every year in the United States, thousands of children die unnecessary deaths. Of these children, three a day die from physical abuse or neglect, and unintentional accidents are the leading cause of death in those children ages 1 to 14. Of children who died of abuse and neglect in 1996, 86 percent were under the age of 5, nearly 40 percent were less than a year old. Our children are our future.

Mr. Speaker, this is the reason that I support the National Children's Flag Day and would encourage my colleagues to do the same and hope that this raises the recognition that we should take as a Nation to ensure the safety of our children.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, continuing under my reservation, I rise in strong support of this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Nevada (Ms. BERKLEY).

(Ms. BERKLEY asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Kentucky and the gentleman from California for joining me to show our support for National Children's Memorial Flag Day. The fourth Friday of every April has come to be known as National Children's Memorial Day. This is a day to remember the children we have lost to violence and to raise awareness about the continuing problem of violence against children. It is a day to fly the Children's Memorial Flag in remembrance. This flag depicts six figures of children holding hands, and in the middle is a chalk outline of one child. This chalk outline symbolizes the devastating loss of lives.