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## House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOLF).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 22, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable FRANK R. WOLF 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 of Heaven and Earth, we do not always understand the powers of nature, yet we are grateful for the information we are given in this present age. Such guidance helps us to protect ourselves and prepares us for the storms of a lifetime.

We praise You and thank You that the recent hurricane has dissipated its intense strength. We pray now for all those whose lives have been altered by Isabel's path of destruction.

Grant fortitude, patience, and persistence to Your people that energy be restored to all citizens, that neighbor will help neighbor through difficult times, and that tranquility and good order be established to encourage all Americans in living a healthy and happy family life.

You, Lord, have been with us through every storm and await us with eternal shelter. 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. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2754. An act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2754) "An Act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. BOND, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. REID, Mr. BYRD, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DORGAN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. INOUE, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill and a concurrent resolution of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1636. An act to preserve the ability of the Federal Housing Administration to insure mortgages under section 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act.

S. Con. Res. 68. Concurrent Resolution honoring the life of Johnny Cash.

### 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, September 22, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*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 September 22, 2003 at 9:20 a.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H. Con. Res. 235.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
*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, September 18, 2003.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*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, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on September 18, 2003 at 10:40 a.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he submits a report regarding Blocking Terrorists Assets.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHL,  
*Clerk of the House.*

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

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