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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 18, 2004.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL K. SIMPSON 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: Blessed be the God and Father of us all, for he has chosen you to be representatives of his people.

Lord God, what a blessing it is to realize one has a calling at a particular time for a specific service to accomplish Your holy will. It is then we truly have purpose.

Both in great and small things, we become neither overwhelmed nor disdainful. Every task can be embraced. Every duty fulfilled. Every burden can be lightened by the knowledge that You, O Lord, are accomplishing great things in and through us, both now and always. 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. Will the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. GREEN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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ROBERT W. NEY, *Chairman.*

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