3038. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 10-225, ''Omnibus Budget Support Act of 1994,'' pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3039. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 10-221, "Real Property Statutory and Filing Deadlines Conformity Amendment Act of 1994," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3040. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification of the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LAO] to Australia for defense articles (Transmittal No. 94–20), pursuant to 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3041. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3042. A letter from the Acting Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting a report on records disposal, pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3303a(f); to the Committee on Government Operations.

3043. A letter from the Director of Legislative and Public Affairs, National Science Foundation, transmitting a report on activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1993, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Operations

3044. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification of proposed refunds of excess royalty payments in OCS areas, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1339(b); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3045. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to designate a segment of the Rubicon River in the State of California as a component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3046. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to permit prepayment of debentures issued by State and local development companies; to the Committee on Small Business.

3047. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Small Business Act; to the Committee on Small Business

3048. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting the 77th quarterly report on trade between the United States and China, the successor states to the former Soviet Union, and other title IV countries during 1993, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2440; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### ¶38.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 540. An Act to improve the administration of the bankruptcy system, address certain commercial issues and consumer issues in bankruptcy, and establish a commission to study and make recommendations on problems with the bankruptcy system, and for other purposes.

S. 725. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the conduct of expanded studies and the establishment of innovative programs with respect to traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes.

S. 1904. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the organization and procedures of the Board of Veterans' Appeals

peals.
S. 2000. An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1995 through 1998 to carry out the Head Start Act and the Community Services Block Grant Act, and for other purposes.

# ¶38.5 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MONTGOMERY, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

House of Representatives, Washington, DC, April 25, 1994.

Hon. THOMAS S. FOLEY,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III 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 Monday, April 25, 1994 at 9:34 a.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies the Congress of the death of President Richard M. Nixon.

With great respect, I am
Sincerely yours,
DONNALD K. ANDERSON,
Clerk, House of Representatives.

# ¶38.6 RICHARD M. NIXON

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

It is my sad duty to inform you officially of the death of Richard Milhous Nixon, the thirty-seventh President of the United States.

Born in 1913, he was first elected to the Congress in 1946, a member of that historic freshman class of World War II veterans that also included John F. Kennedy. He was elected to the Senate in 1950, and served two terms as Vice President of the United States between 1953 and 1961. His career in the Congress coincided with the great expansion of the American middle class, when men and women from backgrounds as humble as his own secured the triumph of freedom abroad and the promise of economic growth at home.

He remained a visible presence in American public life for over half a century. Yet through all those years of service to his country, in the military, in the Congress, in the Presidency, and beyond, he cherished his life as a private man, a family man. He was lovingly devoted to his wife, Pat, to their daughters Patricia Cox and Julie Eisenhower, and to his four grand-children.

His lifetime and public career were intertwined with America's rise as a world power. His faith in America never wavered, from his famous "kitchen debate" with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev through all of the debates that followed. We Americans and our neighbors abroad will always owe him a special debt for opening diplomatic doors to Beijing and Moscow during his

Presidency, and his influence in world affairs will be felt for years to come.

Richard Milhous Nixon lived the "American Dream." Now, he rests in peace.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON. THE WHITE HOUSE, *April 22, 1994.* 

#### ¶38.7 RICHARD M. NIXON

Mr. MICHEL submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 411):

Resolved, That the House of Representatives has learned with profound regret and sorrow of the death of Richard Milhous Nixon, former President of the United States of America.

Resolved, That in recognition of the many virtues, public and private, of one who served with distinction as Representative, Senator, Vice President, and President, the Speaker shall appoint committees of the House to join with such Members of the Senate as may be designated, to attend the funeral services of the former President.

Resolved, That the House tenders its deep sympathy to the members of the family of the former President in their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out of the provisions of these resolutions, and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out the contingent fund of the House.

*Resolved,* That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy of the same to the family of the former President.

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the former President.

After debate.

On motion of Mr. MICHEL, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof

¶38.8 ORDER OF BUSINESS— CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT H.R. 2333

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of clause 2 of rule XXVIII, it may be in order on Thursday, April 28, 1994, or any day thereafter, for the House to consider the conference report on the bill (H.R. 2333) to authorize appropriations for the Department of State, the United States Information Agency, and related agencies, to authorize appropriations for foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes; and all points of order against said conference report and its consideration are hereby waived, and said conference report shall be considered as read when called up.

# ¶38.9 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. MEEK, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, April 25, 1994. Hon. THOMAS S. FOLEY,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Wash-

ington, DC.
DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on Friday, April 22, 1994 at 12:05 p.m.: that the Senate agreed to the Conference Report on H.R. 2884. With great respect, I am.

Sincerely yours,

DONNALD K. ANDERSON, Clerk, House of Representatives.

And then,

#### ¶38.10 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 411, at 12 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m., the House adjourned out of respect for the late Honorable Richard M. Nixon until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 26, 1994.

### ¶38.11 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. HAMILTON: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 2333. A bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State, the U.S. Information Agency, and related agencies, to authorize appropriations for foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 103-482). Ordered to be printed.

#### $\P 38.12$ Subsequent action on a REPORTED BILL SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

# [Submitted April 22, 1994]

H.R. 2442. Referral to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs extended for a period ending not later than April 26, 1994.

### ¶38.13 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

> By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. REYNOLDS, Mr. SYNAR, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ANDREWS of Maine, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BEILENSON, Mr. BER-MAN, Mr. BORSKI, Mrs. BYRNE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CASTLE, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. Coppersmith, Ms. Delauro, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. ENGLISH of Arizona, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FINGERHUT, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HOAGLAND, Mr. HOCHBRUECKNER, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Ms. Lowey, Mrs. Maloney, Mr. Mann, Mr. Man-TON, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MAZZOLI, Mr. MORAN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. OWENS, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. SABO, Ms. SCHENK. Mrs. Schroeder, SERRANO, Ms. SHEPHERD, Ms. SLAUGH-TER, Mr. STARK, Mr. STUDDS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. WHEAT, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. YATES):

H.R. 4296. A bill to make unlawful the transfer or possession of assault weapons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MICHEL:

H. Res. 411. Resolution expressing the profound regret and sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of Richard Milhous Nixon, former President of the United States of America; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAFALCE (by request):

H.R. 4297. A bill to amend the Small Business Act; to the Committee on Small Busi-

H.R. 4298. A bill to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to permit prepayment of debentures issued by State and local development companies; to the Committee on Small Business.

#### ¶38.14 MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

354. By the Speaker: Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama, relative to relations with the Repbulic of China on Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

355. Also, memorial of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to Medicare reimbursement to rural physicians; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

#### ¶38.15 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 790: Mrs. Schroeder.

H.R. 1277: Mrs. FOWLER.

H.R. 1906: Mrs. MINK of Hawaii and Mrs. SCHROEDER.

H.R. 2050: Mr. RAVENEL and Mr. SWETT.

H.R. 3659: Mr. LEVY.

H.R. 3663: Mr. TORKILDSEN.

H.R. 3943: Mr. HANCOCK. H.R. 4100: Mr. PALLONE.

H.R. 4109: Mrs. MALONEY and Mr. LAFALCE.

H.R. 4124: Mr. FILNER.

H.R. 4211: Mr. TORKILDSEN, Ms. SCHENK, and Mr. Cunningham. H.J. Res. 305: Mr. Sawyer, Mr. Bilirakis,

Mr. Rush, Mr. Slattery, Ms. Lowey, Mr. McCollum, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Spence, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Manton, Mr. Synar, Mr. Ravenel, Mr. Smith of Texas, Mr. Scott, and Mr. QUILLEN.

H. Con. Res. 122: Mr. MORAN and Mr. GUTIERREZ.

H. Con. Res. 179: Mr. GILMAN.

H. Con. Res. 186: Mr. MANTON.

# TUESDAY, APRIL, 26, 1994 (39)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER at 10:30 a.m., when, pursuant to the order of the House of Friday, February 11, 1994, Members were recognized for "morning hour" debates.

#### ¶39.1 RECESS—11:00 A.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. CLAYTON, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 12 o'clock noon.

# ¶39.2 AFTER RECESS—12:00 NOON

The SPEAKER called the House to

### ¶39.3 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Monday, April 25,

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

#### ¶39.4 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

3049. A letter from the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the Department of the Navy, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3050. A letter from the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the Department of the Air Force, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3051. A letter from the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the Department of the Navy, pursuant to 31 U.S.Ĉ. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3052. A letter from the Comptroller of the Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the Department of the Navy, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3053. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled, "Military Construction Authorization Act for Fiscal year 1995," pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Armed Services.

3054. A letter from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled, "Housing Choice and Community Investment Act of 1994"; to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs.

3055. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report regarding Poland consistent with section 8(b)(3) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, and section 11(b)(3) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3056. A letter from the Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting the Agency's first annual audit to the Congress, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2421(e)(2); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3057. A letter from the Chairman, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting a report on activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1993, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552; to the Committee on Government Operations.

3058. A letter from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report on activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1993, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Operations.

3059. A letter from the Chairwoman, Mid-Dakota Rural Water System, transmitting the Mid-Dakota Rural Water System final engineering report, January, 1994; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3060. A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the fis-cal year 1993 annual report of the Board of Directors of Federal Prison Industries, Inc., pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 4127; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3061. A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the annual report covering the 12-month period ended September 30, 1993, on the activities of the Federal courts under this Equal Access to Justice Act of 1980, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2412(d)(5); to the Committee on the Judici-

3062. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the national water quality inventory re-