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Senate

The Senate met at 2:15 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable CRAIG THOMAS, a Senator from the State of Wyoming.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, who remembers the weary, lift up Your hand and we shall live. You are king forever. You hear the desires of the afflicted and encourage them. Sustain us with Your might through all the days of our lives. Keep us from the pride of self-suffi-

ciency and remind us that we borrow our heartbeats.

Today, lead our Senators and may their labors honor You. Help them to use their talents to bring unity. Feed them with the bread of kindness and use them as instruments of Your providence.

Lord, let Your image be seen in our Nation that America will be truly great. Make Your face shine upon our land that we may know peace, even in the midst of storms. All of this we ask for Your love's sake. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable CRAIG THOMAS 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.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

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ROBERT W. NEY, *Chairman.*

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