

### JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, April 15, 2010.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Prayer. God, Our Creator, at the beginning of today's legislative session we open our hearts and minds to You, Your guidance and ways. We need Your assistance as we face a variety of difficult decisions, challenges and the many human needs of constituents. We pray for wisdom, patience, reasonableness and good will in our united effort to address the best interests of the people and the Commonwealth. As we prepare to celebrate Patriots Day, we acknowledge and remember our debt to the men and women who had a great vision for this land and the people. May we keep alive in our culture their high ideals, dedication to personal and religious freedom, and respect for the individual person as we live our daily lives in our diverse communities.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families.

Pledge of allegiance. At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### Guests of the House.

Hanover Middle School Band. During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and introduced the Hanover Middle School Band, under the direction of Ms. Julie Thornell. Accompanied by their parents, the band and Ms. Thornell, who were seated in the Chamber, were the guests of Representative Nyman of Hanover.

Atlantis Charter School. During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess, and introduced students and faculty from the Atlantis Charter School of Fall River, who were also seated in the House Chamber. They were the guests of Representative Rodrigues of Fall River.

#### Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Delores Keefe. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brownsberger of Belmont) congratulating Delores Keefe on the occasion of her retirement as town clerk of Belmont;

Autism Alliance of Metrowest. Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linksy of Natick and other members of the House) congratulating the Autism Alliance of Metrowest on the tenth anniversary of their Annual Kite Day; and

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Naughton of Clinton and Evangelidis of Holden) recognizing the Sterling Municipal Light Department's one hundredth anniversary celebration;

Sterling Municipal Light Department.

Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

#### Emergency Measure.

The engrossed Bill designating a certain road in the town of Salisbury as the Army Sergeant Jordan Michael Shay Memorial Drive (see House, No. 4412, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

Salisbury,—Shay Memorial Drive.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 8 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for John Phelan, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Senate, No. 2350), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third reading bill.

The House Bill designating a portion of Route 2 as the Dennis Rindone roadway (House, No. 1889) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Id.

The House Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Sarah F. Bowler, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4611), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Sarah F. Bowler,—sick leave bank.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Pedone of Worcester moved to amend it by adding the following sentence "Sick leave bank days shall not be used for absences unrelated to the illness or disability that necessitated the establishment of the sick leave bank as determined by the department."

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4611, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—  
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At a quarter after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.