

Tuesday, May 29, 2007.

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.

Eternal God, we look to You for the wisdom, the direction and the intellectual and moral courage to address our personal and the legislative issues of this day in a successful manner. Each day, with Your help, we try to remain faithful to our high ideals, lofty goals, human and spiritual values and our realistic and shared vision for a peaceful future. Inspire us to work together in our common effort to seek fairness and truth in resolving, often disputed, issues. In carrying out our daily routine, may we always follow Your ways and precepts.

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

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.

*Resolutions.*

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

Rose Marie Boniface.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. LeDuc of Marlborough) congratulating Rose Marie Boniface on her retirement from the Marlborough Public Schools;

James and Dorothy Sawaya.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Nyman of Hanover) congratulating Mr. and Mrs. James Sawaya on the occasion of their sixtieth wedding anniversary;

Christopher Balboni.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Christopher Balboni on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Benjamin Chelmow.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Benjamin Chelmow on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Marc Ross.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Marc Ross on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Zachary Secrest.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Zachary Secrest on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

David Taiclet.

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Mr. Scaccia of Boston, 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. Nyman of Hanover, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Donato of Medford, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill relative to the Wareham Fire District (Senate, No. 1186),— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Ways and Means. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. Wareham,—  
fire district.

By Mr. Pedone of Worcester, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on House, Nos. 1918, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning contracts for assessors, treasurers and collectors and other related matters (House, No. 4050). Referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently. Municipal  
contracts.

Subsequently Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for said committees, reported asking to be discharged from further consideration of said order; and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

*Emergency Measure.*

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Jacqueline C. Russo, an employee of the Department of Housing and Community Development (see Senate, No. 1614), 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. Jacqueline C.  
Russo,—  
sick leave.

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 6 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Engrossed Bills.**Engrossed bills*

Exempting the position of superintendent of police in the city of Lowell from the civil service law (see Senate, No. 2161) (which originated in the Senate); Bills  
enacted.

Relative to the relocation and alteration of the layout of High Pole Hill Road in the town of Provincetown (see House, No. 3755); and

Authorizing the town of Chatham to lease certain buildings (see House, No. 3952);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M. Next  
sitting.

At thirteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Kaufman of Lexington (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair) the House adjourned, to meet tomorrow at two o'clock P.M., in an Informal Session.