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JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the first day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and two.

Volume 128, No. 69 Wednesday, September 19, 2001 Sixty-ninth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, at 5:10 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 43 Senators present and 7 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT 43: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Garabedian, Gibbs, Goodwin, Hunter, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Montalbano, Parella, Perry, Polisena, Raptak, Roberts, Roney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska, Walsh.

ABSENT - 7: Senators Cicilline, Coderre, Graziano, Paiva Weed, Revens, Ruggerio, Walton.

INVOCATION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Izzo, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Izzo, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

NEW BUSINESS

Senators Irons, Algieri, Damiani, Polisena, Walaska and others present (01-S 1040) Senate Resolution convening a Special Session of the Senate for the purpose of expressing support for the President and the people of the United States of America following the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001.

Senate Majority Leader Irons requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, under suspension of the rules, upon a voice vote.

Senators Irons, Algieri, Walaska and Parella present (01-S 1041) Senate Resolution expressing our deepest sympathies on the passing of Representative Barbara Burlingame, Town Administrator Richard Kiley, Representative Mary Levesque, Representative Robert Lynch, Senator Rob Roy Rawlings, Senator William Pearson and Representative Gaetano D. "Kelly" Parella.

Senate Majority Leader Irons requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, under suspension of the rules, upon a rising vote.

FROM THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage:

(01-H 6582) Joint Resolution inviting His Honor, the Presiding Officer of the Senate and the Honorable Senate to join the House of Representatives in Joint Session for the purpose of expressing the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001.

Senate Majority Leader Irons requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, in concurrence, under suspension of the rules, upon a voice vote.

TRIBUTE TO AMERICA

Senate Majority Leader Irons pays tribute to the lives that were lost due to the tragic events of September 11, 2001 and congratulates Rhode Islanders and all Americans who have come together during this nation's most troubling time.

Senators Algieri, Garabedian, Blais, Kelly, Walaska, Roney, Celona, Kells, Parella and Roberts express their condolences to the families who have lost loved ones and express their feelings about the tragic events of the past week.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to the Honorable Secretary of State, forthwith.

RECESS

Upon suggestion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, and by unanimous consent, the Senate stands at recess at 5:45 o'clock P.M. until the call of the Chair.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order at 4:00 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday, January 1, 2002, by His Honor Charles J. Fogarty, Lieutenant Governor.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:00 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR. Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR THOMAS j. IZZO

Let us bow our heads in prayer to our Creator. God, we ask Your blessing as we convene today in the shadow of the tragedy inflicted on our nation and its people on September 11th. We pray for those who lost their lives in New York, Washington, and Pennsylvania. For those who were injured, we ask you to shower them with your healing mercy. Bless their families, friends, and all of us who have been so shocked and saddened by the horrific events of that dark day.

We pray in thanksgiving for all of those who continue to give of themselves so generously in searching for the missing, in assisting the injured, and in working to help New York, Washington and our entire Nation recover.

We ask, You to guide our President, our National leaders, our State leaders and all Americans, that in seeking justice, we not give in to fear and hate, but, rather, be motivated by wisdom, courage, compassion, hope and love.

PROCEEDINGS IN GRAND COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2001

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, in the Chair.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Joint Session is called to order at 5:50 o'clock P.M.

GUESTS

Joint Session attends while the State University and College Presidents enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while the Mayors, Town Administrators and Local City and Town Officials enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while the members of the Judiciary enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while State and Local Public Safety Officials enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while members of the Religious Communities enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while the Honorable Edward S. Inman, Secretary of State, the Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse, Attorney General, and the Honorable Paul J. Tavares, General Treasurer, enter the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while the Honorable Patrick J. Kennedy, member of Congress, enters the Chamber.

Upon suggestion of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Resolution (01-H 6582) of invitation is dispensed with.

ROLL CALL

The roll of the Senate and the roll of the House of Representatives is called and a quorum is declared present with 41 Senators present and 9 Senators absent and 85 Representatives present and 14 Representatives absent as follows;

PRESENT - 41; Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Enos, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Garabedian, Gibbs, Goodwin, Hunter, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Parella, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska, Walsh.

ABSENT - 9: Senators Cicilline, Coderre, Donelan, Graziano, McDonald, Paiva Weed, Revens, Ruggerio, Walton.

PRESENT 85: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Abdullah(Odiase, Aiken, Ajello, Almeida, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, 5., Anguilla, Barr, Benson, Bierman, Brien, Callahan, Carroll, Cerra, Cicilline, Coderre, Coogan, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, Faria, Flaherty, Fleury, Fox, Gallison, Garvey, George, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Guthrie, Henseler, Hogan, Iwuc, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Knickle, Lally, Lanzi, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Maher, Malik, Martineau, McCauley, McNamara, Menard, Montanaro, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Munschy, Murphy, W.J., Naughton, Palumbo, Picard, Pires, Quick, Reilly, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Shavers, Sherlock, Simonian, Slater, Smith, Sullivan, Tejada, Thompson, Trillo, Vieira, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

ABSENT 14: Representatives Cambio, Caprio, Carter, Coelho, DeSimone, Hetherington, Levesque, Lowe, Murphy, W.H., Palangio, Pisaturo, Rabideau, Story, Voccola.

POSTING OF COLORS

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, announces the Posting of Colors by the Rhode Island National Guard.

The Colors are posted,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, leads the Grand Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, introduces Fr. John Unsworth, Pastor of St. Brendan's Church in East Providence and Rev. Sharon Key, Interim Director of the RI Council of Churches, for the invocation.

INTRODUCTIONS

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, introduces students from the University of Rhode Island for several musical selections.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, announces the retiring of the colors.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, introduces the Honorable John B. Harwood, Speaker of the House of Representatives, for special remarks.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, introduces the Honorable William V. Irons, Senate Majority Leader, for special remarks.

NEW BUSINESS

Speaker John B. Harwood and Senate Majority Leader William V. Irons present (01-GC 0001) Joint Resolution expressing condolences.

Representative Martineau requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Representative Martineau, seconded by Senator Algiere, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, under suspension of the rules, upon a rising vote.

Speaker John Harwood and Senate Majority Leader William V. Irons present (01-GC 0002) Joint Resolution condemning the actions of the terrorists in their attack on the United States of America on September 11, 2001.

Representative Martineau and Senator Montalbano request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Representative Martineau and Senator Montalbano, seconded by Senator Algiere and Representative Watson, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, under suspension of the rules, upon a roll call vote with 41 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative, and with 82 Representatives voting in the affirmative and 0 Representatives voting in the negative as follows;

YEAS - 41: Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Enos, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Garabedian, Gibbs, Goodwin, Hunter, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Parella, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska, Walsh.

NAYS -0.

YEAS - 82: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Abdullah(Odiase, Aiken, Ajello, Almeida, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, S., Anguilla, Barr, Benson, Bierman, Brien, Callahan, Carroll, Cerra, Cicilline, Coderre, Coogan, Corvese, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, Faria, Fox, Gallison, Garvey, George, Giannini, Ginaitt, Gorham, Guthrie, Henseler, Hogan, Iwuc, Jacquard, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Knickle, Lally, Lanzi, Lewiss, Lima, Long, Malik, Martineau, McCauley, McNamara, Menard, Montanaro, Moran, Moura, Mumford, Munschy, Murphy, W.J., Naughton, Palumbo, Picard, Pires, Quick, Reilly, Rose, San Bento, Savage, Schadone, Scott, Shanley, Shavers, Sherlock, Simonian, Slater, Smith, Sullivan, Tejada, Thompson, Trillo, Vieira, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

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GOVERNOR

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, calls on Major General Reginald Centracchio to escort His Excellency, the Governor, Lincoln Almond, to the Chamber.

Joint Session attends while His Excellency, the Governor, Lincoln Almond, enters the Chamber.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, presents His Excellency, the Governor, Lincoln Almond, to the Joint Session. The Governor delivers his remarks and signs the Joint Resolution condemning the actions of the terrorists in their attack on the United States of America on September 11, 2001.

BENEDICTION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, introduces Imam Farid Ansari of the Muslim American Dawah Center of Rhode Island, for Benediction.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, introduces students from Rhode Island College for a musical selection.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Speaker Harwood, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Irons, and by unanimous consent, Joint Session adjourns and the two Houses separate at 7:09 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

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