

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Third Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 34 Senators present and 4 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 4: Senators Badeau, DaPonte, Issa, Perry.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Gallo, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Gallo, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Second Legislative Day of the 2008 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President presents the following communication from His Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the following appointment and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

January 3, 2008

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-142-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment as Director of the Department of Revenue:

Gary S. Sasse of East Greenwich

VICE
Beverly Najarian
(Interim Director)

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 2034

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Read and ordered to be placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senator Paiva Weed, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a voice call vote:

1 2008-H 7001

BY Malik

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF
THE CHARTER OF HERITAGE REMODELING, LTD.

2 2008-H 7010

BY Murphy

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING MARION DEPALMA ON THE
OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Secretary's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor, the Honorable Secretary of State or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Blais, the Senate adjourns at 4:15 o'clock P.M.

GABRIEL REI
Deputy Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR HANNA M. GALLO

Almighty God, bless those who serve in this Senate. Inspire us with your truth, surround us with your love, and fill us with your grace. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2008:

1. 2008-S 2034

BY Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Raymond T. Hoyas, Jr.
Secretary of the Senate