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Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Fourth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:12 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 38 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 38: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

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

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator McBurney and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Paula Krebs and her daughter Ruth Buck from the Pawtucket Slaterettes

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2035**

BY Senator Tassoni

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE SECOND TUESDAY IN JANUARY IN PERPETUITY TO BE "PROFESSIONAL PET ASSISTED THERAPY AWARENESS DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Senator Tassoni requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senator Perry.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2036

BY Senators Algiere, Montalbano J, Breene, Gibbs, Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (the Honorable Donald L. Carcieri to join Catherine Zadorozny and Stephen J. Zuba in marriage)

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 McCaffrey, seconded by Senator McBurney, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a voice vote:

1 2008-S 2034

BY Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Tassoni announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet Wednesday, January 16, 2008, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 313 of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri the Senate adjourns at 4:18 o'clock P.M.

GABRIEL REI
Deputy Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR DANIEL P. CONNORS

Dear God, keep alive our faith in You as we endeavor to perform our duties in order to ensure a better state of Rhode Island. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2008:

1 2008-S 2036

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

GABRIEL REI
Deputy Clerk of the Senate