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Eighth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:36 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 Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Lynch, Maher, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator O'Neill and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Amanda Marie Hannon, she is Miss Rhode Island Teen International 2009, along with her mother Lisa and her father Wayne.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2077****BY** Senator O'Neill E**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AMANDA MARIE HANNON ON THE COMPLETION OF HER REIGN AS MISS TEEN RHODE ISLAND INTERNATIONAL 2009

Senator O'Neill requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator O'Neill moves passage, seconded by Senator Sheehan, Bates, McBurney, Pinga and Blais.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2078**BY** Senators McBurney, Paiva Weed, Fogarty P, Felag, Pinga**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF MICHELE R. CALITRI

Senator McBurney requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McBurney moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2010-S 2075**BY** Tassoni**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF CARL A. HOULE**2. 2010-S 2076****BY** Tassoni**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOHN DEANGELIS

Upon motion of Senator Connors, seconded by Senator Ruggerio, the measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, DeVall, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Lynch, Maher, McBurney, Metts, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

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 Connors announces that the Senate will meet at its normal time on Tuesday, January 26, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri and upon suggestion of Senator McBurney the Senate adjourns at 4:49 o'clock P.M. in memory Michele R. Calitri.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR V. SUSAN SOSNOWSKI

Almighty God, help us through the stresses and strains of the day by granting us your serenity and peace. Amen.