

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Journal of the Senate

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Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Eleventh 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 4:31 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 33 Senators present and 5 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 33: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Ciccone, Cote, Crowley, DeVall, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lanzi, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Perry, Picard, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Shibley, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 5: Senators DaPonte, DiPalma, Lombardo, Pichardo, Pinga.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator O'Neill to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Tenth Legislative Day of the 2011 proceedings is read in part.

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

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

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

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

January 31, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-64-8 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation:

Jonathan K. Templin
(representing small business)

VICE
Paul Choquette, Jr.

for a term expiring February 1, 2015.

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

Sincerely,

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also:

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

February 2, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-60-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

George D. Caruolo

VICE
Robert Flanders

for a term expiring January 31, 2012.

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

Sincerely,

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

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

February 2, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-60-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

Mathies J. Santos

VICE
Amy Beretta

for a term expiring January 31, 2014.

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

Sincerely,

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

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

February 2, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-60-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

Robert L. Carothers, Ph.D., J.D.

VICE
Angus Davis

for a term expiring January 31, 2013.

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

Sincerely,

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

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

February 2, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-60-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

Carolina Baque Bernal

VICE
Anna Cano-Morales

for a term expiring January 31, 2014.

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

Sincerely,

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 174

BY Senator Doyle

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF THE SENATE
{LC1004/1}

Read and ordered to the Committee on Rules.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 175**BY** Senator Lanzi**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY TO BE "NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC1046/1}

Senator Lanzi requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri, Ruggerio, Gallo, Nesselbush, Goodwin, Moura, Lynch and Crowley.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Metts and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Ms. Emily Kakish, an intern for Senator Metts. She is a sophomore and a Political Science major at Salva Regina University.

Senator O'Neill wishes that Senator Pinga has a speedy recovery from his surgery.

Upon suggestion of Senator Goodwin and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Barbara Monfils and Grace Cellware.

Senator Walaska makes a recommendation that the entire Senate acknowledges the 30th Wedding Anniversary of Senator Felag.

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber former state Senator J. Clement "Bud" Cicilline.

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 Sosnowski announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Miller announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator DeVall announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Algieri and upon suggestion of Senator Fogarty the Senate adjourns at 4:43 o'clock P.M. in memory of William Davenport.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR EDWARD J. O'NEILL**

Almighty God, may we pursue our tasks with a sense of Your presence. Give us the wisdom not to squander energy on things that do not matter nor put off until tomorrow that which can be done today. Amen.