

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Seventh 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, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Sixth Legislative Day of the 2015 proceedings is read in part.

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

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 78****BY** McCaffrey, Lynch, Paiva Weed, Walaska, Felag**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE PILGRIM GIRLS SOCCER TEAM ON WINNING THE 2014 RHODE ISLAND DIVISION II GIRLS SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

{LC617/1}

Senator McCaffrey requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators Lynch, Walaska, Ruggerio, Felag and Satchell.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Bates, Conley, Cool Rumsey, Cote, Crowley, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Hodgson, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators McCaffrey, Lynch and Walaska and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber the Pilgrim Girls Soccer State Championship Team: Kendra Tantimonico (Captain), Madison Almonte (Captain), Katelyn Vieira (Captain), Hannah Page (Captain), Hannah Johnson, Sophia Deluca, Molly Lynch, Arianna Moussaly, Alexia Martins, Alyssa Andrews, Erin Plowman, Emily Heon, Emma Manosh, Corrine Rivera, Emma Reilly, Hailey Rivera, Emily Flurette, Ellen Strain, Haley Bucu, Caitlin Smith, Jeriann Evans, Tom Flanders, Head Coach, Rich Marrese, Coach, Nick DiFilippo, Athletic Director, Marie Cote, Principal and Xavier Morgan, Team Manager.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

January 21, 2015

Mr. Joseph Brady
Secretary of the Senate
State House
Room 145
State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Secretary Brady:

Pursuant to rule 4.1 I would like to respectfully request that my name be removed from Senate Bill 53, An Act Relating Motor and Other Vehicles—Operators' Licenses.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Lombardi
Senator
District-26

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 77

BY Pichardo, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Metts

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF SISTER ANN C. KEEFE {LC676/1}

Senator Pichardo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Pichardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Ottiano, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski and Walaska.

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

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 79

BY Metts, Pichardo, Nesselbush, Crowley, Sheehan

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO BE KNOWN AS "THE 1696 HISTORICAL COMMISSION" OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE UNITED STATES {LC693/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 80

BY O'Neill, Pearson

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING BRIAN SULLIVAN, POLICE CHIEF OF LINCOLN, RHODE ISLAND, ON BEING CHOSEN TO BE THE PRESIDENT OF THE RHODE ISLAND POLICE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION
{LC698/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

TRANSMITTAL

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

(See Appendix for List)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Conley announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Crowley announces that the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Jabour announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet tomorrow, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Algiere and Ruggerio and upon suggestion of Senator Pichardo the Senate adjourns at 4:55 o'clock P.M. in memory of Sister Ann C. Keefe.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR JUAN M. PICHARDO**

Almighty Father, let your spirit of wisdom transcend upon the leaders of our State. Last Night, as President Barack Obama delivered his State of the Union Address, we are reminded of the challenges we face ahead. Help us all strive to work together to reach common ground and find positive solutions for the benefit of all our constituents as we move Rhode Island towards a brighter tomorrow. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015:

1. 2015-S 79

BY Metts

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