

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Second 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 4:23 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, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the First Legislative Day of the 2017 proceedings is read in part.

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

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

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



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO**

November 14, 2016

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section § 42-6-3 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Director of Public Safety:

Ann C. Assumpico

VICE

Colonel Steven O'Donnell

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

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO**

November 1, 2016

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section § 42-64.19-5 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have consented to the following appointment to the Director of Business Regulation:

Scottye Lindsey

VICE

Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer (Interim)

This is the first appointment of the Director of Business regulation made pursuant to Section 42-64.19-5. In deference to the tradition of providing advice and consent to the appointment of Director of Business Regulation, I submit this appointment for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Goodwin announces that the Staff from Legislative Data will be available after session for Senators who need assistance with their tablets.

Senator Goodwin also announces that there will be no session on Thursday January 5th and Thursday, January 12th.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator Kettle the Senate adjourns at 4:28 o'clock P.M.

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR MARYELLEN GOODWIN**

Almighty Father, as the New Year begins, let us continue the work of our previous session. We ask that You bestow a special blessing of good health and happiness on each member of this chamber and their families. Amen.