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**JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.**



**MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023.**

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Monday, June 5, 2023.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of  
allegiance.

## *Members-elect to be Qualified.*

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Donato of Medford, Garballey of Arlington and Wong of Saugus as a special committee of the House to conduct Representatives-elect John Francis Moran of Boston, member-elect from the Ninth Suffolk District and Bill MacGregor of Boston, member-elect from the Tenth Suffolk District, to the Council Chamber to be qualified at such time as may be convenient to the Governor and Council.

Representatives-  
elect John  
Francis Moran  
of Boston and  
Bill MacGregor  
of Boston,—  
qualification.

## *Guests of the House.*

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the Chamber, students and teachers from the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class from the Howe-Manning Elementary School in Middleton. At the invitation of the Chair, the students participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Mr. Jones of North Reading.

Middleton,—  
Howe-Manning  
Elementary  
School.

## *Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) congratulating Mary Boyd for being recognized as a 2023 Commonwealth Heroine by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women; and

Mary  
Boyd.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Vaughn of Wrentham) honoring Principal Linda Balfour upon her retirement from the Norfolk Public Schools;

Linda  
Balfour.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Jones of North Reading, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

## *Communications.*

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From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see Section 32 of Chapter 158 of the Acts of 2014) submitting a report entitled: Agency Paper Reduction Efforts;

DTA,—  
paper reduction.

From the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (MassDevelopment) and the Massachusetts Cultural Council (see item 1599-2043 of Chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021) submitting its Pandemic Recovery Program Report;

Coronavirus,—  
grant program.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4401-1000 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: Employment Services Program Report; and

DTA,—  
employment  
program.

From the Department of Transitional Assistance (see item 4400-1001 of Section 2 of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2022) submitting its report entitled: Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) Participation Rate Report;

SNAP,—  
participation  
rate.

Severally were placed on file.

### *Annual and Special Reports.*

The annual report of the Property and Casualty Initiative, LLC (under Section 3 of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) for fiscal year 2022 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Financial Services, and the committee on Revenue, as required by said law];

Property, etc.  
insurance.

#### Reports

Of the MetroWest Regional Transit Authority (under Section 8(g) of Chapter 161B of the General Laws) submitting financial statements and supplementary information for fiscal year 2022; and

MetroWest  
Regional Transit  
Authority.

Of the Massachusetts Life Insurance Community Investment Initiative, LLC (under Section 2(e) of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1998) submitting its annual report and statement of financial condition for calendar year 2022 [copies of said report were forwarded to the committee on Ways and Means, the committee on Financial Services, and the committee on Revenue, as required by said law];

Life Insurance  
Community  
Investment.

Severally were placed on file.

### *Petitions.*

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives McKenna of Webster and Frost of Auburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3889) of Joseph D. McKenna and Paul K. Frost (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize appointing authority of the Oxford police department to the town manager in the town of Oxford; and

Oxford,—  
appointing  
authority.

By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Mark, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3890) of Smitty Pignatelli and Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the board of public works in the town of Lee.

Lee,—  
board of  
works.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Representative Fernandes of Falmouth and Senator Cyr presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Dylan A. Fernandes for legislation to authorize the establishment of the Manuel F. Correllus State Forest trust fund; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Correllus  
State Forest  
trust fund.

*Paper from the Senate.*

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Amelia Alex, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (Senate, No. 2383) (on Senate bill No. 2382), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Amelia  
Alex,—  
sick leave.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

*Ordered,* That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next  
sitting.

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At four minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muradian of Grafton (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.