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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.

Member-elect to be Qualified.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Gordon of Bedford, Garballey of Arlington and Wong of Saugus as a special committee of the House to conduct Representative-elect Kristin E. Kassner of Hamilton, member-elect from the Second Essex District, to the Council Chamber to be qualified at such time as may be convenient to the Governor and Council.

Representativeelect Kristin E. Kassner of Hamilton, qualification.

Statement of Representative Gordon of Bedford.

A statement of Mr. Gordon of Bedford was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber for yesterday's sitting due to a family commitment. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, I would have voted, in each instance, in the negative. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 3, 6 and 9, I would have voted in the affirmative. My missing of roll calls yesterday was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of Representative Gordon of Bedford.

Statement of Representative Scanlon of North Attleborough.

A statement of Mr. Scanlon of North Attleborough was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber yesterday's sitting due to previously scheduled personal business. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, I would have voted, in each instance, in the negative. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 3, 6 and 9, I would have voted in the affirmative. My missing of roll calls yesterday was due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement of Representative Scanlon of North Attleborough.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next sitting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.