

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, May 25, 2006.

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).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Prayer.

Gracious God, in Whom we place our trust and hope, we take this moment to thank You, Our Creator, for our countless daily blessings. Our daily busy schedules and many family responsibilities often turn our attention to the pressing issues of the day and so, on occasion, we take You and our blessings for granted. This Monday, we, as a nation and people, observe Memorial Day. On the holiday, we remember the personal sacrifices and the heroic deeds of the men and women of our armed forces. We remember in our prayers and thoughts and with gratitude the women and men of this Commonwealth who gave their lives for our country and state. We pray that they enjoy eternal peace, joy and happiness.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, to the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

Pledge of allegiance.

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.

### *Message from the Acting Governor.*

Medical malpractice.

A message from Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Acting Governor recommending legislation relative to reforming medical malpractice (House, No. 4989) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, May 24.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a report, to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

### *Resolutions.*

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

Michael Joseph Hurley.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Canavan of Brockton) congratulating Michael Joseph Hurley on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Mary Clark Sanderson.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Golden of Lowell) congratulating Mary Clark Sanderson on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday;

Linda E. Barron.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Kulik of Worthington and Petrolati of Ludlow) congratulating Linda E. Barron on the occasion of her retirement from the Board of Selectmen in the town of Belchertown;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. LeDuc of Marlborough) recognizing Arthur Bergeron as a 2006 Marlborough Good Scout honoree;

Arthur Bergeron.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. LeDuc of Marlborough) recognizing Dottie Manning as a 2006 Marlborough Good Scout honoree;

Dottie Manning.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) recognizing Elizabeth "Beth" Hinchliffe for being selected for the "Good Scout" award;

Elizabeth Hinchliffe.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) congratulating Meredith Tumilty on receiving the Gold Award of the Girl Scouts of America;

Meredith Tumilty.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Kathleen Bort on the occasion of her retirement;

Kathleen Bort.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Neil Clarke on the occasion of his retirement;

Neil Clarke.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Kathleen Hall on the occasion of her retirement;

Kathleen Hall.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Adele Hawley on the occasion of her retirement;

Adele Hawley.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Sally Maish on the occasion of her retirement;

Sally Maish.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating Rosemary Polidoro on the occasion of her retirement; and

Rosemary Polidoro.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Walrath of Stow) congratulating Douglas James McGuinness on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Douglas James McGuinness.

Mrs. Parente of Milford, 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. Mariano of Quincy, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

### *Paper from the Senate.*

The House Bill relative to the use of certain land in the town of Stockbridge (House, No. 4595) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2472.

Stockbridge, land use.

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, the amendment (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

### *Orders of the Day.*

The House Bill relative to municipal affordable housing trust funds (House, No. 4793) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third reading bill.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

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sitting.

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

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At ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Haddad of Somerset (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.