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Tuesday, October 7, 2008.

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.

God of Goodness and Truth, we try to begin each day with the right intention of serving, to the best of our ability, You, our families and our constituents. We believe that Your assistance enables us to be successful in achieving our goals. As elected officials we are almost overwhelmed by the vast amount of new information, data, legislative and public policy matters which come to our attention for action. In responding, help us to be just, fair and responsible leaders in these uneasy times. Teach us to address not only today's challenges, but also to plan for the future needs of the people and our communities. May we continue to build confidence in our constituents and in basic and fundamental principles of our nation which include respect for the rights and dignity of each individual.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, 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.

*Quorum.*

Quorum.

Mr. Galvin of Canton then asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was in attendance.

A quorum not being present, under the provisions of Rule 82, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), at twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., declared an adjournment of the House until Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.