Prayer

Pledge of allegiance

David Van Sickle.

Owen Van Sickle

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Representative District,—

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Monday, January 8, 2018.

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 Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Hope and Peace, we pray on this day with a spirit of thanks-giving. We thank You for all the persons who helped keep our govern-ment running during the recent spell of frigid weather. We thank You for the many workers who managed to maintain our roads, rails, and home and work environments during these challenging times.

Today, we remember the life of Emily Greene Balch. Born in Jamaica Plain in 1867, Ms. Balch was an economist, sociologist and pacifist who dedicated her life to the most vulnerable of her time. Because of her activism and conscientious objection to the First World War, Balch lost her teaching position at Wellesley College. Because of her leadership of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom based in Switzerland, she won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1946. Emily Greene Balch died in Cambridge the day after her 94th birthday. May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

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.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peake of Provincetown) congratulating David Van Sickle on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peake of Provincetown) congratulating Owen Van Sickle on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America:

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. Smizik of Brookline, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Order

The following order (filed by Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop) was considered forthwith, under suspension of the rules, on motion of the same member; and it was adopted:

Ordered, That the precept to be issued by the Speaker, under the provisions of Section 141 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, appoint-

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ing a time for the election to fill the vacancy existing in the office of time for Representative in the General Court from the 2nd Bristol District shall to fill designate Tuesday, April 3, 2018, as the time ordered by the House of vacancy. Representatives for said election.

Communications.

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From the Department of Public Health (see Section 224 of Chap- Falls prevention ter 111 of the General Laws) submitting the annual report of the Massachusetts Commission on Falls Prevention for 2017; and

From the Department of Public Health (see item 4590-1506 of Violence Prevention) Public Health (see item 4590-1506 of Violence Prevention) through positive youth development; Severally were placed on file.

Report.

A report of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (under Sec-n 131 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017) on the feasibility study of manufacturing facility, study. tion 131 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017) on the feasibility study of an energy efficiency project to assist an aviation manufacturing facility whose company headquarters are located within the Commonwealth, was placed on file.

Petition.

Representative Frost of Auburn and Senator Moore presented a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul K. Frost and Michael O. Moore for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jason Dobson, an employee of the Department of Correction; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the Wareham Redevelopment Authority (Senate, No. 2145, amended in section 3, in line 16, by striking out the word "first" and inserting in place thereof the words "appointment of a") (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy Weston,and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to the town of Weston town meeting meeting (House, No. 3873) [Local Approval Received], be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, on motion of Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, Dawn on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Dawn Parmenter, Parmenter,-sick leave. an employee of the Department of Correction (House. No. 4090).

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By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Gayle Vassallo, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4091).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to the position of director of public works in the town of West Boylston (see House, No. 1433), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Third reading bills.

Relative to the town administrator in the town of Fairhaven (House, No. 3513);

Authorizing the Deerfield Area Fire Protection District to continue Authorizing the Deerfield Area Fire Protection District to continue the employment of Fire Chief Chester Yazwinski (House, No. 3957); Providing for the purchase of the Milford Water Company by the town of Milford (House, No. 3978); and Relative to the dissolution of the Milford Water Company and the acquisition of its assets by the town of Milford (House, No. 4055); Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be correctly drawn, the Company for a company and the several to be correctly drawn.

be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,-*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

House bills

Next sitting.

Speaker DeLeo of Winthrop and Representative Honan of Boston then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Robert Q. Crane, a member of the House from Boston from 1957 to 1964, inclusive; and Treasurer and Receiver General from 1964 to 1991, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at ten minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (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.