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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).

Prayer was offered by Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Hope, we know the adage that "hope springs eternal", yet these days in our Commonwealth hoping for spring feels like an eternity. Send Your warmth upon our Commonwealth, from the Berkshires to Capes Ann and Cod.

God of Justice, help our elected officials to pursue their work with an eye toward fairness and justice.

May all who visit our historic building this week benefit from the inspiration of past and present leadership.

Tomorrow, April 10 marks the 240th anniversary of the incorporation of the Worcester County town of Auburn.

Originally incorporated as the town of Ward, in honor of the American Revolutionary War General Artemis Ward who lived his whole life in nearby Shrewsbury, the local officials were forced to change their town's name in 1837 due to complaints from the U.S. Postal Service as the name was too similar to Ware, Massachusetts.

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.

Statement of Representative Walsh of Framingham.

A statement of Mr. Walsh of Framingham was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House that I was unable to be present in the House Chamber for the sittings for April 4th and 5th, due to the scheduling of my treatment at Dana Faber. Had I been present for the taking of yea and nay numbers 319 to 323, inclusive, I would have voted, in each instance, in the affirmative. Any roll calls that I missed was due entirely to the reason stated.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Barrows of Mansfield) congratulating Foxborough Regional Charter School on achieving the Holocaust Stamp Remembrance Goal;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Linsky of Natick) celebrating the occasion of the

Prayer.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Statement of
Mr. Walsh of
Framingham.

Holocaust Stamp
Remembrance.

Natick,—
Fahey Square.

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dedication of the Fahey Brothers Square in the town of Natick;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McMurtry of Dedham) congratulating Ralph I. Steeves on thirty years of service to the town of Dedham;

Ralph Steeves.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Parisella of Beverly) commending Tim Smith and Maureen Cronin for their tireless contributions to our country and the city of Beverly;

Tim Smith and Maureen Cronin.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Kathleen F. Nagle on her retirement from the town of Wellesley; and

Kathleen Nagle.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Stanley of Waltham and Lawn of Watertown) congratulating the 2017-2018 Waltham High School boys hockey team on winning the 2018 Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association, Incorporated Division 1 state championship;

Waltham High,—
boys hockey team.

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. Garballey of Arlington, 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. Michlewitz of Boston) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Financial Services be granted until Wednesday, May 9, 2018 within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 3543.

Financial Services committee,—
extension of time for reporting.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4383), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions.

Mr. Cassidy of Brockton presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4405) of Gerard Cassidy (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Brockton be authorized to create a rent board for manufactured housing in said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Housing. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Brockton,—
rent board.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to the commitment of certain individuals for alcohol or substance use disorders.

Alcohol and substance use.

By Mr. Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Andres X. Vargas and others relative to the responsibilities of school districts regarding school lunches.

Schools,—
lunches.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

A petition of Walter F. Timilty for legislation to honor and recognize the heroism of Rosa Parks, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Transportation.

MBTA,—
Rosa Parks
designation.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2410) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Transportation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of Daniel J. Hunt for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Daisy F. Bolden, an employee of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System. Under suspension of the rules, on motion Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Daisy F.
Bolden,—
sick leave.

Report of the committee on Education, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4257) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney (by vote of the town) relative to the charter school reimbursement rate for the town of Foxborough.

Foxborough,—
charter school
reimbursement.

Under suspension of the rules, on a motion of Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, the report was considered forthwith. Pending the question on acceptance of the report, the petition was recommitted, on motion of the same member.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the House Bill relative to agricultural commission input on board of health regulations (House, No. 2465), be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Agricultural,—
health
regulations.

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

By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, for the committee on Elder Affairs, on House, No. 2069, a Bill relative to PACE programs and nurse pronouncement (House, No. 4361).

Nurses,—
death
declarations.

By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on a petition, a Bill relative to needle stick injuries suffered by first responders (House, No. 998).

First responders,—
injuries.

By Ms. Garlick of Needham, for the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, on a petition, a Bill relative to the classification of certain controlled substances (House, No. 1076).

Controlled
substances.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, on a petition, a Bill establishing a commission to study veterans

Veterans
transportation,—
study.

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transportation issues (House, No. 1937).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1920, a Bill relative to the cost of veteran higher education (House, No. 4376).

Higher education,—
veterans.

Severally read; and referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Coppinger of Boston, for the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, on a petition, a Bill relative to the zoning of education facilities (printed as Senate, No. 85).

UMass,—
zoning.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 89 and House, No. 125, a Bill to address inequality, promote opportunity, and end poverty (House, No. 125).

Promoting
economic
opportunity.

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 87 and House, No. 1972, a Bill establishing an office of Massachusetts main streets (House, No. 1972).

Main
streets.

By the same member, for the same committee on Senate, No. 82 and House, No. 1971, a Bill relative to community benefit districts (House, No. 4385).

Community
benefit.

By Mr. Chan of Quincy, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on Senate, No. 170 and House, Nos. 180 and 188, a Bill allowing full faith and credit to personal identification (House, No. 4384).

Drivers licenses,—
magnetic
identification.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, for the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill relative to student data privacy (House, No. 253).

Student data,—
privacy.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to accelerate student success through expanded learning time (House, No. 266).

Expanded
learning time.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the composition of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (House, No. 324).

Elementary and
Secondary
Education.

By Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, for the committee on Election Laws, on Senate, No. 390 and House, No. 368, a Bill to create a citizens' initiative review commission (House, No. 368).

Citizens'
initiative
review.

By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on a petition, a Bill relative to underground economy whistleblowing (House, No. 999).

Underground
economy.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to workers' compensation (House, No. 1014).

Workers'
compensation.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to establishing an appeals process for private sector human service workers (House, No. 1025).

Human service
workers.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to structural steel (House, No. 1035).

Structural
steel.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to one stop career centers (House, No. 1040).

Career
centers.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, No. 1950, a Bill requiring appropriation bills to include estimated amounts for the following fiscal year (House, No. 4374) [Mr. Dooley of Norfolk dissenting].

Appropriations,—
fiscal notes.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the same committee, on House, No. 2632, a Bill relative to small town residential neighborhood revitalization (House, No. 4375) [Mr. Dooley of Norfolk dissenting].

Neighborhood
revitalization.

By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill relative to the disclosure of participation in the slave trade in the Commonwealth (House, No. 1709).

Participation
disclosure.

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By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing the executive office of food resources and security (House, No. 2663).	Office of food resources.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to employment of persons with disabilities on state contracts (House, No. 3362).	Disability employment.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 3381).	MassDOT.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey a certain parcel of land in the city of Lynn to the Neighborhood Development Associates, Inc. (House, No. 4265).	Lynn,— land.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill amending the authorization for the exchange of an easement in the control of the Department of Conservation and Recreation to facilitate a project important to the economic development of the city of Lynn (House, No. 4268, changed by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble: “Whereas, the deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, to facilitate a project important to the economic development of the city of Lynn, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”).	Id.
By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 1818, a Bill relative to license plates (House, No. 4387).	License plates.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1820, a Bill to ensure benefits through enhanced Selective Service registration (House, No. 4388) [Ms. Meschino of Hull dissenting].	Selective service.
By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, on a petition, a Bill relative to the hiring of veterans (House, No. 3643).	Veterans,— employment.
Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.	
By Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, for the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill relative to designation of polling places (House, No. 382).	Polling places.
By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 386 and House, No. 2898, a Bill supporting working parents who choose to run for public office (House, No. 2898) [Mr. Lombardo of Billerica dissenting].	Working parents.
By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on a petition, a Bill allowing 12 and 13 year old youth to be employed as soccer referees (House, No. 1000).	Youths,— soccer referees.
By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 1037 and 1047, a Bill relative to non discrimination [sic] training in the workplace. (House, No. 4386).	Non-discrimination training.
By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill designating the last day of February as rare disease day in the Commonwealth (House, No. 1650).	Rare disease day.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill creating the official shellfish of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1654).	Oyster,— official shellfish.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill regarding Huntington’s Disease awareness month (House, No. 1655).	Huntington’s disease.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating Dysautonomia & POTS Awareness Month (House, No. 1667).	Dysautonomia and POTS.
By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating inflammatory breast cancer awareness day (House, No. 1678).	Breast cancer.

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By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating the song “Roadrunner” as the official rock song of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1683).

Roadrunner,—
official rock song.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating the official seasoning of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1693).

Bell’s seasoning,—
official seasoning.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to sleep deprivation avoidance and promotion of good sleeping practices (House, No. 1700).

Sleep
practices.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating the Boston Cream Pie Cupcake as the official cupcake of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1701).

Boston Cream
Pie Cupcake.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating shaken baby syndrome awareness week (House, No. 1713).

Shaken
babies.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing school bus driver day (House, No. 1714).

School bus
driver day.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating the song “14 Counties of Massachusetts” as the official county song of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1717).

14 Counties of
Massachusetts,—
official song.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the official butterfly of the commonwealth (House, No. 3364).

Black Swallowtail
Butterfly.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing “Here’s to America” as the official patriotic song of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3368).

Here’s to
America,—
patriotic song.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill designating gingham as the official textile of Massachusetts (House, No. 3376).

Gingham,—
official textile.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Revenue, on House, No. 4258, a Bill authorizing the town of Hopkinton to establish a means-tested senior citizen property tax exemption (House, No. 4389) [Local Approval Received].

Hopkinton,—
property tax
exemption.

By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, on a petition, a Bill authorizing veterans to use facilities of the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority without cost to such veterans (House, No. 1944).

PVTA,—
veterans.

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

Reports of the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, under the last sentence of Rule 7A, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

The Senate Bill relative to the charter of the town of Sutton (Senate, No. 1131, amended) [Local Approval Received]; and

Sutton,—
charter.

House bills

Relative to landfills and areas of critical environmental concern (House, No. 2945); and

Landfills.

To authorize the town of Foxborough to establish additional mandated reporters in the town of Foxborough for the purposes of the protection and care of children (House, No. 3790) [Local Approval Received];

Foxborough,—
mandated
reporters.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next sitting for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate Bill permitting a certain parcel of land in the town of New Braintree to be used for a solar farm and other municipal purposes (Senate, No. 2189), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

New
Braintree,—
land.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next
sitting.

At eleven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M.