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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 Fathers, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Light and Hope, we pray for our elected officials who serve our Commonwealth in this Chamber. We pray also for the many employees throughout our state who keep Massachusetts a vibrant and pleasant place to call home.

In a special way we pray for the many men and women who serve as firefighters in our 351 cities and towns as tomorrow marks the anniversary of the 1872 Great Boston Fire. The fire consumed most of the downtown business district and cost the lives of two firefighters and eleven citizens. Over 750 buildings were destroyed. Thanks to an abundance of insurance coverage rebuilding was accomplished in just two years' time. Some downtown Boston streets were widened and new building codes were established to help prevent such a tragedy from happening again.

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.

Message from the Governor.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation (under the provisions of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation regarding the authorization of the town of Wareham to issue an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4958), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Monday, November 5.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Guests of the House.

At the beginning of the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, seniors from the Callahan Center in Framingham. At the invitation of the Chair, the seniors participated in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. They were the guests of Representatives Lewis of Framingham and Gentile of Sudbury, and Senate President Spilka.

Prayer.

Pledge of allegiance.

Wareham, liquor license.

Framingham,— Callahan Center.

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Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough) congratulating Ida Coburn (Thomas) Parker on her ninetieth birthday;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Atkins of Concord) congratulating Anna and Neil Rasmussen on the opening of the Anna and Neil Rasmussen Education Center at the Concord Museum:

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Joseph Gerald Gallant on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Matthew Anthony Lucas on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Coleman Monroe Lysaght on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Peisch of Wellesley) honoring Owen Kondo O'Connor on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Speliotis of Danvers and other members of the House) recognizing the one hundredth anniversary of the North Shore Chamber of Commerce, Inc.;

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

Ida Parker.

Anna and Neil Rasmussen.

Joseph Gallant.

Matthew Lucas.

Coleman Lysaght.

Owen O'Connor.

North Shore Chamber of Commerce.

Communications.

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From the Human Resources Division of the Executive Office for Administration and Finance (see Section 25 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws) submitting a listing of civil service fire promotional series eligible lists which have been revoked by the Personal Administrator as of November 1, 2018; and

From the Operational Services Division (see Section 4 of Chapter 219 of the Acts of 2016) relative to establishing goals for participation of individuals with disabilities in all areas of state procurement contracting;

Severally were placed on file.

Civil service lists.

Individuals with disabilities,—state contracts.

Reports.

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Of the Office of the Comptroller (under Section 12(a) of Chapter 7A of the General Laws) submitting the Statutory Basis Financial Report for the fiscal year 2018:

Of the Department of Telecommunications and Cable (under Section 6 of Chapter 25C of the General Laws) submitting the annual report for said department for the fiscal year 2018; and

Of the Water Resources Commission (under Section 8C of Chapter 21 of the General Laws and 313 CMR 4.11(3)) relative to the approval of an Interbasin

Statutory Basis Financial Report.

Telecommunications and Cable.

Water Resources Commission.

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Transfer Act request from the town of Ashland to purchase up to 1.6 million gallons per day from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority;

Severally were placed on file.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Mark of Peru and Senator Hinds, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul W. Mark and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Peter Hayes, an employee of the Department of Children and Families.

Peter Hayes, sick leave.

By Representative Naughton of Clinton and Senator Chandler, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr., and Harriette L. Chandler for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for William P. Kearny, Jr., an employee of Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

William Kearney, sick leave.

By Mr. Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Andres X. Vargas for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Gina Parolisi, an employee of the Trial Court.

Gina Parolisi, sick leave.

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

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 Andres X. Vargas for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Rachael Purnell, an employee of the Trial Court. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Garballey of Arlington, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Rachael Purnell, sick leave.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Amending the charter of the town of Needham (House, No. 4948) [Local Approval Received]; and

Needham,— charter.

Authorizing the town of Harwich to issue three additional liquor licenses (House, No. 4956) [Local Approval Received];

Harwich, liquor licenses.

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of Mr. McGonagle of Everett, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Leominster, special police.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the city of Leominster to amend the special act of 2002 relative to retired police officer details (House, No. 4924) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Chicopee,—retirement benefits.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 4933) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

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Engrossed Bills.

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Creating senior tax relief in the town of Carver (see Senate, No. 2670) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the county of Dukes County to borrow funds to pay costs of wastewater treatment facility improvements, capital improvements and capital equipment at the Martha's Vineyard Airport (see House, No. 4506, amended); and

Changing the membership of the representative town meeting of the town of Norwood (see House, No. 4718);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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

Next sitting.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Barrows of Mansfield (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Tuesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.