

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Thursday, November 16, 2017.

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:

Loving God, we are grateful for the many blessings we enjoy as a Commonwealth. We ask You to bless the elected officials who serve as legislators in this chamber and their staff. Over the course of the past legislative session, we have prayed in gratitude and in memory of the many figures who graced our nation and world with their efforts to better humankind in some fashion. These many sons and daughters of Massachusetts have left a tremendous legacy for our Bay State.

Today, we recall that it was on this date in 1863 that Dorchester-born Edward Everett spoke at the dedication of Gettysburg's National Cemetery, giving what is remembered today as the other Gettysburg Address.

As a nationally-recognized orator, Mr. Everett gave a lengthy two-hour speech in which he relived the entire battle. Many in the crowd were moved to tears.

President Lincoln followed Everett with his famous three minute speech.

Edward Everett was quick to acknowledge the greatness of Lincoln's brief speech. The day after the ceremony, he wrote to the president "I should be glad, if I could flatter myself that I came as near to the central idea of the occasion, in two hours, as you did in two minutes."

The city of Everett is named after him and so today we pray for its Representative Joseph McGonagle and his staff.

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.

### *Silent Prayer.*

At the request of Representatives Frost of Auburn and McKenna of Webster, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Commander Michael C. Masley, Jr., who passed away peacefully in his home on November 7, 2017.

Commander Masley leaves behind his brothers, Joel and John, and their families. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, touring the world extensively in 20 years of service before retiring in 1995 and becoming the Director of the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at Oxford High School, a distinguished unit receiving many state, regional, and national awards under his guidance. In 2013, he was selected to receive an Oxford Tercentennial Award for his dedication to making the community of Oxford a better place to live.

Prayer

Pledge of  
allegiance.

Commander  
Michael C.  
Masley, Jr.

*Resolutions.*

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

Robert and Claire France.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Arciero of Westfield) congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. France on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary;

Benjamin Clark.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Benjamin W. Clark on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Evan Mustard.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Evan Mustard on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

James Thisse.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating James Hunter Thisse on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Temporary protected status.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Madaro of Boston and other members of the House) memorializing the United States Department of Homeland Security to continue the Temporary Protected Status Program;

Jennie Whittemore.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Muratore of Plymouth) congratulating Jennie Whittemore on her one hundredth birthday; and

Michael Horn.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rogers of Norwood) congratulating Michael Robert Horn of Norwood Boy Scouts on earning the Eagle Scout Award;

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

*Papers from the Senate.*

Franklin,—agricultural commission.

The House Bill authorizing the city known as the town of Franklin to establish a local agricultural commission (House, No. 3785) (its title having been changed by the Senate committee on Bills in the Third Reading), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 3 (as printed), in lines 15 to 19, inclusive, striking out the paragraph contained in those lines and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

“(2) The Franklin agricultural commission shall be appointed by the town administrator, subject to ratification by the town council. Each member of the commission shall serve for a term of 3 years.”; and

Striking out section 2 (as printed) and inserting in place thereof the following two sections:

“SECTION 2. Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of section 1 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the initial appointments to the Franklin agricultural commission shall be for terms of 1, 2 or 3 years so arranged by the town administrator that the terms of approximately 2/3 of the commission’s members shall expire each year.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.”.

The amendments were referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

A Bill exempting certain positions of the police department of the town of Adams from the civil service law (Senate, No. 2154) (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.

Adams,—civil service.

*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 Brian Murray for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Julie Rosenthal Morales, an employee of the Department of Correction. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cassidy of Brockton, 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.

Julie Rosenthal Morales,—sick leave.

By Mr. O’Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill [sic] protect animal welfare and safety in cities and towns (House No. 2419). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Animal welfare.

By Mr. O’Day of West Boylston, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority Capital Infrastructure Fund in the town of Stoughton (House, No. 3958) [Local Approval Received].

Stoughton,—fund.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill providing for the purchase of the Milford Water Company by the town of Milford (House, No. 3978) [Local Approval Received].

Milford,—water company.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to [sic] establishment of a revolving fund for a school learning lab within a vocational-technical program operated by the town of Westborough Public Schools (House, No. 3992) [Local Approval Received].

Westborough,—fund.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for William Cuttle, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4021).

William Cuttle,—sick leave.

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

*Orders of the Day.*

House Bills

Designating May as Asian American Pacific Islander month (House, No. 3360);

Third reading bills.

Authorizing the town of Canton to regulate Reservoir pond (House, No. 3831) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Exempting all positions in the fire department of the town of Plainville from the civil service law (House, No. 3864);

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 engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,—  
Uhlman  
band stand.

The House Bill designating a band stand at the Marine Park in South Boston as the Harry G. Uhlman, Jr. Memorial Band Stand (House, No. 4005), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Speliotis of Danvers moved to amend it in lines 3 and 4 by striking out the words "Memorial Band Stand in memory of Harry G. Uhlman, Jr. who had helped the mentally and physically disabled" and inserting in place thereof the words "Band Stand, in honor of Harry G. Uhlman, Jr., who has helped mentally and physically disabled persons"; by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

*"Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to designate forthwith the Harry G. Uhlman, Jr. Band Stand in the South Boston section of the city of Boston, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."; and by striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act designating a band stand at the Marine Park in the South Boston section of the city of Boston as the Harry G. Uhlman, Jr. Band Stand."

The amendments were adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4005, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

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sitting.

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

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