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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).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Jacqueline Gillis for being recognized as a 2020 Commonwealth Heroine by the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women;

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating Officer Karl Nyholm on his retirement after thirty-six years with the Maynard Police Department; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. McKenna of Webster) congratulating the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in the town of Webster on its one hundred and fiftieth anniversary;

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

Jacqueline Gillis.

Karl Nyholm.

Webster,— Sacred Heart Parish.

Order.

The following order (filed by Mrs. Campbell of Methuen) 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 Veterans and Federal Affairs be granted until Thursday, October 15, 2020 within which time to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 2151, 2160, 2164, 2167, 2168, 2171, 2464, 2502 and 2702, and House documents numbered 3195, 3198, 3200, 3201, 3202, 3203, 3205, 3206, 3207, 3214, 3218, 3228, 3229, 3231, 3232, 3233, 3234, 3238, 3245, 4407, 4512 and 4513.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committees on Rules, reported that the order (House, No. 4788), ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Campbell of Methuen, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Veterans and Federal Affairs committee, extension of time for reporting.

Petitions.

Ms. Robinson of Framingham presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4789) of Maria Duaime Robinson and Carmine Lawrence Gentile (with the approval of the mayor and the city council) relative to authorizing the city of Framingham to amend the income qualifications for a certain tax deferral program in said city; and the same was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Framingham,—tax deferrals.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representative Miranda of Boston and Senator Collins, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Liz Miranda and Nick Collins for an investigation and study by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to race in the Commonwealth.

Race,—study.

By Mr. Moran of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Moran relative to commercial vehicle warranties.

Commercial vehicles.

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

Papers from the Senate.

Bills

Financing improvements to municipal roads and bridges (Senate, No. 2746) (on a part of House, No. 4547); and

Municipal roads.

To mitigate arbovirus in the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 2757) (on a part of the Senate bill printed as House, No. 4751);

Arbovirus.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

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 following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of David T. Vieira and Julian Cyr for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Paul McBrien, an employee of the Trial Court. To the committee on the Judiciary.

Paul McBrien, sick leave.

Emergency care.

End of life options.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Paul W. Mark that the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board be authorized to grant creditable service to Susan Floyd. To the committee on Public Service.

Susan Floyd,—creditable service.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, for the committee on Public Health, on House, No. 1850, a Bill ensuring safe patient access to emergency care (House, No. 4781).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1926, a Bill relative to end of life options (House, No. 4782).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1942, a Bill protecting children from harmful diet pills and muscle-building supplements (House, No. 4783).

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By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 4096, a Bill promoting community immunity (House, No. 4784).

Immunization.

Supplements,—children.

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

By Mr. Mahoney of Worcester, for the committee on Public Health, on House, No. 1182, a Bill relative to Medicaid coverage for doula services (House, No. 4780). Read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Doula services,—coverage.

By Mr. Parisella of Beverly, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the town of Boylston to continue the employment of police chief Anthony Sahagian (House, No. 4715) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Boylston,— Anthony Sahagian.

Engrossed Bills.

The engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marta Romero, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (see House, No. 4691) (which originated in the House), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Leyden to continue the employment of Gilda Galvis (see House, No. 4544) (which originated in the House), 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.

Id.

Orders of the Day.

Bills

Relative to the Northampton Housing Authority (House, No. 3685); and

Relative to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board in the city of Chelsea (House, No. 4155) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Third reading bills.

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally 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.

Next sitting.

At six 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 Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.