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Thursday, January 7, 2021.

Met at a quarter before twelve o'clock noon, in an Informal Session, with Mr. Garballey of Arlington 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. Garballey), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Paper from the Senate.

An order, having been adopted by the Senate, was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence, as follows:

Ordered, That a joint committee to consist of a member of the Senate and a member of the House of Representatives be appointed for the purpose of canvassing the votes for Councillors in the several districts.

Committee
to canvas
votes for
Councillors.

The order then was adopted, in concurrence.

A committee of the Senate consisting of Senator Tarr was joined by a committee of the House appointed by the Chair (Mr. Garballey) consisting of Representative Wong of Saugus.

Subsequently a report of said committee, having been noted in the Journal of the Senate, was read for the information of the House; and, under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong, it was considered forthwith; and it was accepted. The order then was returned to the Senate to be placed on file.

Recess.

The Speaker being in the Chair,—

At five minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Speaker declared a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, for the purpose of conducting the joint session.

Recess.

Pursuant to assignment, at six minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the two branches met in

Joint
Session.

CONVENTION

in the Chamber of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the several Councillors-elect, and were called to order by the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, President of the Senate.

The President, the Speaker, members and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

At seven minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Governor, Lieutenant- Governor, and the Councillors-elect entered the Chamber, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Governor,
Lt. Governor and
Councillors-elect
arrive.

His Excellency the Governor briefly addressed the Joint Session.

Her Honor the Lieutenant-Governor briefly addressed the Joint Session.

Before the President of the Senate, and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to, and subscribed by Joseph C. Ferreira of Somerset, Robert L. Jubinville of Milton, Marilyn M. Petitto-Devaney of Watertown, Christopher A. Iannella, Jr., of Boston, Eileen R. Duff of Gloucester, Terrence W. Kennedy of Lynnfield and Paul A. DePalo of Worcester, as Councillors, at seventeen minutes past twelve o'clock noon.

Executive
Councillors,—
oath of office.

His Excellency the Governor and Her Honor the Lieutenant Governor, and the Honorable Executive Council then withdrew from the Joint Session, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Withdrawal
from Chamber.

On motion of Mr. Tarr, at eighteen minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the Convention of the Two Branches was dissolved; and the Senate withdrew from the Joint Session, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

At twenty minutes past twelve o'clock noon, the House was called to order with Mr. Garballey of Medford in the Chair.

Called to
order.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus,—

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Joseph C. Ferreira of Somerset, Robert L. Jubinville of Milton, Marilyn M. Petitto-Devaney of Watertown, Christopher A. Iannella, Jr., of Boston, Eileen R. Duff of Gloucester, Terrence W. Kennedy of Lynnfield and Paul A. DePalo of Worcester have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the Executive part of the government.

Governor
notified of
Councillors'
qualification.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next sitting.

At twenty-eight minutes past twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.