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**JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.**



**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021.**

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Thursday, February 11, 2021.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., 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 and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of  
allegiance.

## *Appointment of the Speaker.*

The Speaker announced he had appointed Representative Ehrlich of Marblehead to the special commission (established under Section 93 of Chapter 358 of the Acts of 2020) to study journalism in underserved communities in the Commonwealth.

Journalism  
commission.

## *Special Recognition.*

During the Session, Mr. Wong of Saugus took the Chair, declared a brief recess and, on behalf of Representatives Chan of Quincy, Schmid of Westport, Mom of Lowell, Nguyen of Andover, Robinson of Framingham, Howard of Lowell, and Uytterhoeven of Somerville, paid tribute to the members of the Asian community of the Commonwealth on the occasion of Lunar New Year, as follows:

Asian Lunar  
New Year.

On Friday, February 12th, the new year of the lunar calendar begins. It will be the 4718th year and is the second oldest continuously used calendar in the world. Many Asian cultures, including Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, and Laotian, celebrate the Lunar New Year as a time to spend with family sharing happiness and good fortune. To say happy new year in Chinese it is xīn nián kuài lè, in Vietnamese it is Chúc Mừng Năm Mới, and in Korean it is sae-hae bok man-i ba-deu-se-yo.

## *Petition.*

Representative Chan of Quincy presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 62) of Tackey Chan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Karen T. O'Neil, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation; and the same was referred, to the temporary committee on Rules.

Karen  
O'Neil,—  
sick leave.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committee, then reported, on the foregoing petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Karen T. O'Neil, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 62), which was read.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Dykema of Holliston, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently under further suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, the bill (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next  
sitting.

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At nineteen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.