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Thursday, September 16, 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.

## *Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Dykema of Holliston) congratulating the Boston Athletic Association on the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Boston Marathon;

Boston  
Marathon,—  
anniversary.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Fluker Oakley of Boston) recognizing September 21, 2021 as the International Day of Peace in the Commonwealth;

Day of  
peace.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Nguyen of Andover and Moran of Lawrence) celebrating the three hundred seventy-fifth anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Andover; and

Andover,—  
incorporation.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Roy of Franklin) recognizing national principals month;

Principals.

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.

## *Petitions.*

Ms. Miranda of Boston presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4111) of Liz Miranda (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the Boston Retirement System be authorized to establish an alternative superannuation retirement benefit program for certain educators and nurses; and the same was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,—  
retirement.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Representatives Blais of Sunderland and Domb of Amherst, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Natalie M. Blais, Mindy Domb and others for the annual issuance of a proclamation by the Governor designating the first Monday in March as COVID-19 remembrance day.

COVID-19  
remembrance  
day.

By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Alice Hanlon Peisch relative to municipal lighting plants and greenhouse gas emissions.

Municipal  
light plants.

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

*Papers from the Senate.*

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2530) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize citizens in the town of Brookline who have reached the age of sixteen years or older to register and vote in municipal election [sic] with the town, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Brookline,—  
voting age.

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2535) of Paul R. Feeney and Tackey Chan for legislation to revitalize agriculture, conditioning and simulcasting; and

Simulcasting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2536) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to small businesses and the sale of certain cultural products;

Cultural  
products.

Severally to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2357) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to an insulin patient assistance program. To the committee on Financial Services.

Patients,—  
insulin.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2538) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to H-2B worker mobility. To the committee on Transportation.

Worker  
mobility.

*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 Ruth B. Balsler and Michael Nogrady relative to the use of white noise reverse alarms on motor vehicles operating on construction sites. To the committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

Construction  
sites,—  
alarms.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Ruth B. Balsler and others relative to library access to electronic books and digital audiobooks. To the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Libraries,—  
electronic  
books.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, for the committee on Transportation, on House, No. 3402, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Transportation to make an investigation and study of a certain House document concerning transportation (House, No. 4112).

Transportation,—  
transportation  
matters.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, Nos. 3435, 3442 and 3572, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Transportation to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning transportation governance (House, No. 4113).

Transportation,—  
transportation  
governance.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on a petition, a Bill establishing the official dinosaur of the Commonwealth (House, No. 3190).

State  
dinosaur.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill designating the Department of Unemployment Assistance building in the city of Brockton as the C. Gerald Lucey building (House, No. 4024).

Brockton,—  
Lucey  
building.

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

#### *Engrossed Bill.*

The engrossed Bill authorizing Justin Brown to take the civil service examination for the position of firefighter in the town of Arlington (see House, No. 3755) (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.

Bill  
enacted.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of Gloucester to appoint retired police officers as special police officers (Senate, No. 2479), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third  
reading  
bill.

House bills  
Relative to recall of elected officers in the town of Wenham (House, No. 3746);  
and  
Establishing a sick leave bank for Tanya Hackett, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4103);

Third  
reading  
bills.

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.

#### *Order.*

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-seven minutes before 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.