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Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

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, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Appointments of the Minority Leader.

The Minority Leader announced that he had made the following appointments:

That he had appointed Conor O'Shaughnessy, Budget Director and Environmental Policy Analyst for the House Minority Leader's office, to serve as his designee to the special legislative commission established (under Section 108 of Chapter 239 of the Acts of 2024) to recommend to the general court extended producer responsibility policies for the commonwealth;

Extended producer responsibility commission.

That he had appointed former Representative F. Jay Barrows of Mansfield as his designee to the task force established (under the provisions of Section 198 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2024) to study post-retirement employment of public employees; and

Post-retirement employment task force.

That he had appointed former Representative Mathew J. Muratore of Plymouth to serve as his designee to the task force established (under the provisions of Section 27 of Chapter 197 of the Acts of 2024) to evaluate the governance and regulatory structure of rest homes in the commonwealth.

Rest home governance task force.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Representative Duffy of Holyoke) honoring the retirement and services of Roberta Duprey;

Roberta Duprey.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Hogan of Stow) congratulating Chief Michael A. Noble, Esq. on the occasion of his retirement as police chief of the town of Maynard; and

Michael Noble.

Resolutions (filed by Representative Howitt of Seekonk) recognizing the legacy of Representative Patricia A. Haddad;

Patricia Haddad.

Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the temporary 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 Ms. Badger of Plymouth, the resolutions (having been certified by House Counsel to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communications.

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From the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (see Section 2WWW of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the Commonwealth Corporation Workforce Competitiveness Fund for fiscal year 2024;

Corporation
workforce
competitiveness.

From the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (see Section 2KKKKK of Chapter 29 of the General Laws) submitting the MassHealth Nonpublic Ambulance Service Reimbursement Trust Fund report for fiscal year 2024;

MassHealth,—
ambulance
services.

From the Executive Office of the Trial Court (see Section 131Y of Chapter 140 of the General Laws) submitting the Extreme Risk Protective Orders (ERPO) report for calendar year 2024; and

Extreme risk
protection
orders.

From the District Attorney of Worcester County (see Section 6 of Chapter 258B of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on the Victim Witness Assistance program for calendar year 2024;

Worcester,—
victim witness
assistance.

Severally were placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

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

Next
sitting.

Speaker Mariano then moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Carol A. Doherty, a member of the House from Taunton from 2020 to 2025; and the motion prevailed.

Accordingly, at three minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Garballey of Arlington being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.