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Wednesday, September 12, 2001.

Met at two minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Rosenberg in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Moment of Silence.

The Chair (Mr. Rosenberg) requested that a moment of silence be observed for the memory of those who lost their lives due to terrorist activities on Tuesday, September 11, 2001.

Communication.

The following communication was received and placed on file, to wit:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1007

September 11, 2001.

Patrick F. Scanlan
Clerk of the Senate
State House, Room 335
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Under Senate Rule 5A, because of the present national emergency and the Governor’s decision to close the State House, I hereby cancel the session of the Senate scheduled for 11:00 A.M. today. I reschedule this session for 11:00 A.M. tomorrow, Wednesday, September 12.

Sincerely,

THOMAS F. BIRMINGHAM,
President of the Senate.

Engrossed Bill — Laid Before Acting Governor.

The following engrossed bill (which originated in the House), having been passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President on Monday, September 10, 2001, was laid before the Acting Governor on Tuesday, September 11, 2001, for her approbation, to wit:

Making appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (see House, No. 4532, amended).

Petition.

Mr. O'Leary (by request) presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kenneth Maulten for legislation relative to tort reforms,— **and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

Order Adopted.

Ms. Menard presented the following order:—

Ordered, That full consideration shall be allowed by the Senate on Thursday, September 13, 2001 on House Bill No. 4274, "An Act relative to authorizing the financing of the production and preservation of affordable housing in the Commonwealth", and House Bill No. 4284, "An Act relative to the production and preservation of affordable housing in the Commonwealth"; and provided further that amendments to said bills must be filed with the Clerk of the Senate no later than eleven o'clock A.M., on Thursday, September 13.
There being no objection, the order was considered forthwith and adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4535) of Alvin J. Sims relative to the licensing and regulation of insurance advisers,— **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Insurance.**

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill designating February 14 as congenital heart defect awareness day (see Senate, No. 1618) (which originated in the Senate), **having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed by the Acting President and laid before the Acting Governor for her approbation.**

Reports of a Committee.

Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to authorizing the financing of the production and preservation of affordable housing in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4274, printed as amended),— ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2109; and inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"*Whereas,* The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to make forthwith supplemental appropriations and related changes in certain laws, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.".
The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Shannon, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the production and preservation of affordable housing in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4284, printed as amended),— ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2110.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Murray, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,—

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at one o’clock A.M.

Adjournment in Memory of Victims of Terrorism.

The Senator from Middlesex and Suffolk, Mr. Birmingham, presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of the victims of terrorist attacks on Tuesday, September 11, 2001 and the rescue personnel who gave up their lives helping others. Every member has been personally touched by the events of yesterday. The Senate wishes to convey its deepest sympathy to all family members and friends of loved ones who were lost.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of the victims of the terrorist attacks, at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock AM., on motion of Mr. Moore, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at one o'clock P.M.