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Thursday, September 1, 2011.

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

The Chair (Mr. Donnelly), members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Petition.

Ms. Clark presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate No. 2004) of Katherine M. Clark and Thomas M. McGee (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation relative to the transfer of certain properties from the Melrose housing authority to the Melrose affordable housing corporation [Local approval received];

**Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Housing.
Sent to House for concurrence.**

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3694) of Paul Brodeur (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) relative to the transfer of certain properties from the housing authority of the city of Melrose to the affordable housing corporation of said city;

To the committee on Housing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3693) of Russell Holmes (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the date for filing of residential exemptions, personal exemptions and tax deferrals on residential real property in the city of Boston;

To the committee on Revenue.

A Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Terri A. Demars, an employee of the Department of State Police (House, No. 3646,-- on petition);

Was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill exempting certain positions in the town of Burlington from the civil service law (House, No. 3488,-- on petition) [Local approval received];

Was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Resolutions

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Baddour) "congratulating John Katsaros, Staff Sergeant in the United States Army Air Forces, (Ret) on being named a recipient of the Chevalier Legion of Honor Award, France's highest civilian award";

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hart) “recognizing the many accomplishments of Margaret Steiner”;
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “commending Max Nicholas Brown for his distinguished military service in the United States Army”; and
Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Joyce, Baddour, Berry and Brewer, Ms. Candaras, Ms. Chandler, Ms. Clark, Messrs. DiDomenico, Donnelly and Eldridge, Ms. Fargo, Ms. Flanagan, Messrs. Hart and Hedlund, Ms. Jehlen, Messrs. Kennedy, Knapik, McGee, Michael O. Moore and Richard T. Moore, Ms. Murray, Messrs. Pacheco, Rosenberg and Rush, Ms. Spilka and Messrs. Welch and Wolf) “commending Jeffrey B. Mullan for his distinguished public service.”

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3701) of Thomas J. Calter for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Shawn T. Sawyer, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services,-- **was referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Grisel Caraballo, an employee of the Department of Revenue (see House, No. 3662, amended), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,-- **was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 3 to 0. The bill was signed by the Acting President (Mr. Donnelly) and sent to the House for enactment.**

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Methuen to lease the Oakland Avenue School building to the Islamic Academy for Peace (see House, No. 3689) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and signed by the Acting President (Mr. Donnelly) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Berry, for the committee on Ethics and Rules, reported that the following matter be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session:

The House Bill relative to derivative activities of state banks (House, No. 303).

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Ms. Creem, and the bill was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Adjournment in Memory of First Lieutenant Timothy J. Steele

The Senator from Plymouth and Norfolk, Mr. Hedlund, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of First Lieutenant Timothy J. Steele.

First Lieutenant Timothy J. Steele was killed in action on Tuesday, August 23, during an insurgent attack on his unit in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Lieutenant Steele was a graduate of the Duxbury High School class of 2004 where he was a star athlete, honors student, and class President. After graduating high school, Lieutenant Steele went to the United States Military Academy at West Point. Lieutenant Steele graduated from West Point in 2009 and was commissioned an officer the same year.

He deployed to Afghanistan in March of 2011 and courageously served his country as a member of the 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division based in Fort Drum, New York. This was Lieutenant Steel's first tour in Afghanistan.

Lieutenant Timothy Steele leaves behind his wife Meaghan, whom he met while volunteering to help rebuild New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina, their one year old daughter Liberty, and both his parents.

Lieutenant Steele was a beloved and respected member of the Duxbury community.

As we mourn his tragic passing, let us also honor his heroic sacrifice for the cause of freedom and that “full measure of devotion” he so bravely and willingly gave.

First Lieutenant Timothy J. Steele was 25 years old.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of First Lieutenant Timothy J. Steele, at seventeen minutes past eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o’clock A.M.