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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Report of the Norfolk District Attorney's Office (pursuant to Section 99 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report of wiretap interceptions for the 2017 calendar year (received January 5, 2018);

Norfolk DA,-- wiretap. SD2454

Report from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2016) submitting its commission to study ways to prevent bullying of tenants in public and subsidized multi-family housing (received January 5, 2018; and

EOHHS, -- prevent bullying public housing report. SD2455

Report from the Department of Higher Education (pursuant to line-item 7066-0036 in the FY18 budget) submitting its interim evaluation of the STEM Starter Academy.

DHE,-- SSA interim report. SD2456

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor (pursuant to Section 152 of Chapter 127 of the General Laws) submitting a report of the exercise of the pardoning power by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council for the calendar year 2017. (House, No. 4106),-- **was read for the information of the Senate and returned to the House to be placed on file.**

Governor,-- pardons.

A Bill relative to the Lake Quinsigamond Commission (House, No. 4039,-- on House, No. 438),-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.**

Lake Quinsigamond.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross) "congratulating Ethan Gowell Cattnach of the town of Needham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

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Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross) "congratulating Michael David Kazierad of the town of Needham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

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Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross) "congratulating Brendan Allan Rock of the town of Needham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

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Resolutions (filed by Ms. Spilka) "congratulating Francisco Alfredo Kelley of the city of Framingham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; and

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Resolutions (filed by Ms. Spilka) "congratulating Kevin Vance Lenzi of the

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city of Framingham on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matter was taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The House Bill relative to the civil service eligibility list for police officers in the city of Quincy (House, No, 3938),-- **was read second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Quincy, civil service.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4107) of Timothy R. Whalen and others for legislation to establish an early retirement incentive program for Barnstable County,-- **was referred in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rules 12 and 7A, to the committee on Public Service.**

Barnstable County,--
retirement incentives.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill relative to the position of Director of Public Works in the town of West Boylston (see House, No. 1433) (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. Boncore) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Bill laid before the
Governor.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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

Time of meeting.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Boncore), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Andrew J. Sluckis, Sr.

Moment of silence.

Adjourn In Memory of Andrew J. Sluckis, Sr.

The Senator from Worcester, Ms. Chandler, presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory of Andrew J. Sluckis, Sr.

Andrew J. Sluckis Sr. passed away at his Auburn home on October 31 at the age of 73.

A former officer with the Worcester Police Department, Mr. Sluckis had been working in the civil processing division of the Worcester County Sherriff's Department. He also served on the executive board of the Worcester Retired Police and Firefighters Association.

Mr. Sluckis was known for his extraordinary magnanimity and his kindness. He was always willing to lend a hand and help all those in need.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, as well as his two sons Andrew and John Sluckis; his brother George; and two grandsons, Drew and Nick.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect in memory of Andrew J. Sluckis, Sr., at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate

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adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.
