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Met at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Brady in the Chair).

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Communications.

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

Communication from the Honorable Walter F. Timilty and the Honorable Jennifer E. Benson, co-chairs of the Special Commission on Public Records (established pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 121 of the Acts of 2017, as amended by Section 3 of Chapter 142 of the Acts of 2017) submitting notice that the commission is working diligently to finalize their report and would not make the December 1, 2018 deadline (received Friday November 30, 2018);

Special Commission on Public Records.

Communications from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Senate Minority Leader, announcing the following appointments:

Detective Adam Maccini (pursuant to Section 221 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) to the Task Force to examine and study the treatment and impact of individuals ages 18 to 24 in the court system and correction system; and

Task Force,-- court system and correction system.

Senator Bruce E. Tarr (pursuant to Section 220 of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018) to the Bail Reform Special Commission; and

Bail Reform special commission.

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Sections 1A and 1B of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017) submitting its report on the comparison of Actual Revenue Collections to Budget Actual Revenue for FY2018 (received November 29, 2018).

Comptroller,-- nontax revenue. SD2841

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Jack Ryan on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout."

Jack Ryan.

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

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

The House Bill designating a certain bridge in the town of West Boylston as the Specialist Kyle A. Little memorial bridge (House, No. 4904),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

West Boylston,-- bridge designation.

Reports of Committees.

The following report was laid before the Senate, the time within which the said committee was required to report having expired:-

Of the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2669) of

Rockport,-- liquor license.

Bruce E. Tarr and Ann-Margaret Ferrante (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the granting of alcoholic beverages licenses not to be consumed on the premises by the town of Rockport

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the matter was considered forthwith.

On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was substituted for the report of the committee.

The bill (Senate, No. 2669) was read.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

By Ms. L'Italien, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill regarding the authorization of the town of Sturbridge to issue an additional license for sale of all alcoholic beverages (printed in Senate, No. 2673).

Sturbridge,-- liquor license.

The bill was read. There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Montigny, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Nick Collins for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Joy Cochran, an employee of the Department of Children and Families.

Joy Cochran,-- sick leave. SD2838

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Petition.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor, Senate Rule 20 and Joint Rule 12 were suspended on the petition, presented by Mr. Pacheco (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Cheryl Ann Gracia, an employee of the Trial Court of the Commonwealth,-- **and the same was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.**

Cheryl Ann Gracia,-- sick leave. SD2840

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Moment of Silence

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Brady), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of George H. W. Bush.

Moment of silence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor--

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

Time of meeting.

Adjournment in Memory of Former President George Herbert Walker Bush

Messrs. Tarr, Humason, Ross, deMacedo, Fattman, O'Connor, and Tran move that

when the Senate adjourn today it adjourn in the memory of Former President George Herbert Walker Bush who passed away on Friday November, 30th at the age of 94.

Mr. O'Connor in the Chair, President Bush was born on Adams Street in Milton on June 12, 1924, the second of five children to Senator Prescott Bush and Dorothy Walker Bush. President Bush graduated from Philips Academy in Andover in 1942.

Following the attack on Pearl Harbor President Bush on his 18th birthday, enlisted in the Navy; and within a year he received his wings and became one of the youngest pilots in the service. President Bush served in the Pacific during World War II as a torpedo bomber. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for continuing to attack while his plane was on fire from being hit by Japanese ground fire during a bombing run on Chichi Jima in the western Pacific.

President Bush married Barbara Pierce in January of 1945 in Rye, New York. President Bush was honorably discharged from the Navy in September of 1945. He graduated from Yale in 1948. President Bush began his political career as chairman of the Harris County Republican Party. In 1964, he unsuccessfully ran for the U.S. Senate in Texas. In 1966, President Bush was elected to the first of two terms to Congress as a member of the House of Representatives in Texas's 7th Congressional District.

In 1971, President Nixon appointed Mr. Bush as Ambassador to the United Nations and in 1973, President Bush became the chair of the Republican National Committee. President Ford in 1974 appointed Mr. Bush as the Chief of the Liaison Office in China and was later appointed by President Ford as the Director of Central Intelligence.

Mr. Bush was the Vice President for President Ronald Regan from 1981 to 1989. In the 1988 Presidential Election, Mr. Bush defeated Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis to become the 41ST President of the United States. As described in the Washington Post, "Over the course of a single term that began January 20, 1989, [President] Bush found himself at the helm of the world's only remaining superpower. The Berlin Wall fell; the Soviet Union ceased to exist; the communist bloc in Eastern Europe broke up; the Cold War ended."

When Iraqi Dictator Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in 1990, President Bush with a 30 nation coalition, and an UN mandate defeated the Iraqi forces in the Gulf War. Other achievements during his Presidency included the Americans with Disabilities Act and far reaching amendments to the Clean Air Act.

In 2012, it was disclosed that President Bush was suffering from vascular Parkinsonism, a form of Parkinson's disease. Fmr. President Bush was predeceased by his wife of 73 years Barbara and daughter Pauline Robinson "Robin" Bush. He is survived by his children Fmr. President George W. Bush, Fmr. Governor Jeb Bush, Neil Bush, Marvin Bush and Dorothy Bush Koch and their spouses. Additionally, he is survived by 17 grandchildren, eight grandchildren, and two siblings...

Mr. Brady in the Chair, accordingly, as a mark of respect in memory of Former President George Herbert Walker Bush, at twelve minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.