

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.**



**THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2017.**

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Thursday, March 2, 2017.

Met at eleven minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Lovely in the Chair).

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

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Pledge of allegiance.

*Communications.*

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

Communication from the Honorable Stanley C. Rosenberg, President of the Senate, announcing the appointment (pursuant to Section 68 of Chapter 3 of the Acts of 2006) of Mr. Chung Liu to the Asian American Commission;

Asian American Commission.

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller (pursuant to Sections 1A and 1B of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2015 and Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) submitting its report on the comparison of actual revenue collections to budget for final balances of FY2016 and the first two quarters of FY2017 (received February 24, 2017); and

Comptroller,-- non-tax revenue.  
SD2104

Communication from the Department of Public Health (pursuant to Section 2G of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) submitting its annual report on the Prevention and Wellness Trust Fund (received March 1, 2017).

DPH,-- PWTF report.  
SD2106

*Reports.*

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

Report of the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds (under the provisions of Section 4 of Chapter 4 of the Acts of 2003) submitting its plan for expenditure from the County Registers Technological Fund (copies having been forwarded as requested to the Senate Committees on Ways and Means and Post Audit and Oversight) (received March 1, 2017);

Registry of Deeds,-- Norfolk County.  
SD2103

Report of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 161A of the General Laws) submitting its report on the MBTA's efforts to maximize non-transportation revenue (received February 28, 2017);

MassDOT,-- non-transportation revenue. SD2105

Report of the Department of Revenue (pursuant to Section 40(d) of Chapter 64C of the General Laws) submitting its Annual Report of the Multi-Agency Illegal Tobacco Task Force (received March 1, 2017);

DOR,-- illegal tobacco task force.  
SD2107

Report of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association (pursuant to line item 0340-2100 of Chapter 133 of the Acts of 2016) submitting its data from the district attorneys relative to their criminal prosecutions and workloads for calendar year 2016 (received March 2, 2017); and

MDA,-- prosecution statistics report.  
SD2108

Report of the Massachusetts Capital Resource Company (pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1977) submitting its fortieth report (received March 2, 2017).

MCRC,-- fortieth report.  
SD2110

*Petition.*

Mr. Rush presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael F. Rush for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Sue Turner, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services;

Sue Turner,--  
sick leave.  
SD2109

**Referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.**

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Notice was received from the House of Representatives announcing the following appointments by the Speaker:

Kevin O'Reilly of Plymouth and Pine DuBois of Kingston to the Nuclear Decommissioning Citizens Advisory Panel established (under Section 14 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 2016) to serve in an advisory capacity in regards to the decommissioning of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station.

Nuclear  
Decommissioning  
Citizens Advisory  
Panel.

*Resolutions.*

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brady) "congratulating Sean Goslin of the town of Hanover on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Sean Goslin.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Brownsberger) "congratulating Agnes Rogan Jackson on her one hundredth birthday";

Agnes Rogan  
Jackson.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem) "commending Josephine McNeil on the occasion of her retirement"; and

Josephine McNeil.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) "commending Boy Scout Troop 3 Dedham on its one hundredth anniversary."

Boy Scout Troop 3  
Dedham.

*Reports of Committees.*

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 Patricia D. Jehlen, Marjorie C. Decker, Antonio F.D. Cabral and Kenneth I. Gordon for legislation to provide emergency aid to certain elderly and disabled residents.

Elderly, disabled,--  
emergency aid.  
SD2089

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Elder Affairs.**

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 James B. Eldridge and Sheila C. Harrington for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Cheryl Ramirez, an employee of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security.

Cheryl Ramirez,--  
sick leave.  
SD2096

**The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, 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.**

**Severally sent to the House for concurrence.**

*Order Adopted*

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

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

Time of meeting.

*Adjourn In Memory of Lillian C. Samoluk*

The Senator from Cape and Islands, Mr. Cyr, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Lillian C. Samoluk of South Dennis.

Lillian passed away peacefully at the Liberty Commons Nursing Home in North Chatham on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and a friend to all with whom she came into contact during her long and loving life. Family always came first for Lillian and many learned from the example that she set.

Born in Boston, Mrs. Samoluk was later a resident of Framingham for 43 years, prior to moving to South Dennis with her husband, Walter, in 2005. Lillian and Walter were married for 59 loving years. Prior to his death in 2008, Mr. Samoluk characterized his wife as "the most wonderful woman in the world." together, they achieved the "American dream" with a loving family of six children, a warm home, and a successful small business, built from scratch.

Mrs. Samoluk was a proud graduate of Roslindale High School in Boston. She later attended secretarial school before working for John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company from 1942 to 1949, where she met her future husband, Walter. Lillian was the moral compass and backbone of her family. She was a devout Catholic and a woman of deep faith, who for most of her life said the rosary every night.

Mrs. Samoluk is survived by five of her six children; Carol Dennington and her husband Roy, of Clinton; Walter and his wife, Shelley, of South Dennis; George and his wife, Patricia, of Sandwich; Thomas and his wife, Carrie of Andover; and Robert of South Dennis and Boston. She is also survived by her niece, Sonia Shea of Waltham; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren. Lillian is predeceased by her husband, Walter and her daughter, Patricia, who was married to Paul Rene.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Lillian C. Samoluk, at a quarter past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.