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Thursday, April 20, 2017.

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

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Ms. Lovely) handed the gavel to Ms.L'Italien for the purpose of an introduction. Ms. L'Italien then introduced, in the rear of the Chamber, members of Girl Scout Troop 76130 of Andover and several family members. The group was accompanied by former Senator Patricia McGovern of Andover. The Senate welcomed them with applause and they withdrew from the Chamber.

Girl Scout Troop 76130 of Andover and former Senator Patricia McGovern.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Brady and Walter F. Timilty) "congratulating Dylan DeCosta of the town of Easton on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Dylan DeCosta.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely and Messrs. McGee and Tarr) "commending the Independent Living Center of the North Shore and Cape Ann on the occasion of its thirtieth anniversary";

Independent Living Center of the North Shore and Cape Ann.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Randy Buckner on his retirement";

Randy Buckner.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pacheco) "congratulating Nathaniel Auclair Vargas of the town of Dighton on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Nathaniel Auclair Vargas.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross and Ms. Creem) "congratulating Ryan Barrett Hennessee of the town of Wellesley on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Ryan Barrett Hennessee.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Ross and Ms. Creem) "congratulating Matthew Hewett Scherrer of the town of Wellesley on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; and

Matthew Hewett Scherrer.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Spilka) "commending the Ashland Lions Club, Inc. on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary."

Ashland Lions Club, Inc.

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 Bruce E. Tarr, Richard J. Ross, Donald J. Humason, Jr., Viriato M. deMacedo and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure internet security and privacy.

Internet security and privacy. SD2157

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Ross, and the report was

considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on the Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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 Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Richard J. Ross, Patrick M. O'Connor and other members of the General Court for legislation to fairly fund early voting.

Early voting,--
fair funding.
SD2112

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

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3647) of Mark J. Cusack and John F. Keenan for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Donald Stuart, an employee of the Department of Correction,-- **was referred in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

Donald Stuart,--
sick leave.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

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

Time of meeting.

On motion of the same Senator, at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.