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Met at five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Lovely 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 (Ms. Lovely), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. O'Connor Ives) "commending Cure SPG47, Inc. and the Edwards family on its recognition of May 2017 as SPG47 Awareness Month."

SPG47 Awareness Month.

Communication.

The following communication, which was received in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate at nine minutes past four o'clock P.M. on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, was read and placed on file to wit:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

May 3, 2017

Senator James E. Timilty,--
resignation.

Mr. William Welch
Clerk of the Massachusetts Senate
State House, Room 335
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I am writing to hereby resign as the Senator from the Bristol and Norfolk District effective at the close of business today, May 3, 2017.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in carrying out this wish and ensuring that this letter is on file with the Senate and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

With every good wish,
JAMES E. TIMILTY
Bristol and Norfolk

On motion of Mr. Tarr, the above communication was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Ordered printed.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Rosenberg offered the following order, to wit:

Ordered, That by the authority of article IV of section II of chapter I of the Constitution, the Senate declares that, by reason of the resignation of James E. Timilty as senator from the Bristol and Norfolk district, the office of senator from the Bristol and Norfolk district is vacant. By the authority of article XXIV of the Amendments to the Constitution, the Senate directs the president of the Senate to issue a precept setting forth October 17, 2017, as the day for holding an election to fill the vacancy in the Bristol and Norfolk district, comprising the city of Attleboro, ward 3, precinct B, ward 4, precincts A and B, ward 5, precincts A and B, ward 6, precincts A and B, and the towns of Mansfield, Norton, Rehoboth and Seekonk in the county of Bristol; and the towns of Foxborough, Medfield, Sharon, precincts 1, 4 and 5, and Walpole in the county of Norfolk.

Precepts,--
Bristol and Norfolk
district.

Under the rules, referred to the committee on Rules.

Subsequently, Mr. Montigny, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the order ought to be adopted.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Rodrigues, and the order was considered forthwith and adopted.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Millis to transfer a certain parcel of park land (see House, No. 1106) (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 (Ms. Lovely) 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 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 Mr. Rodrigues, at eighteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.