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

Pledge of allegiance.

Distinguished Guests.

There being no objection, the Chair (Mr. Timilty) introduced in the rear of the Chamber, students in the 5th grade class from Milton Academy

Milton Academy students.

Report.

Report of the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (pursuant to Section 6 of Chapter 40H of the General Laws) submitting its 2016 Annual Report (received May 12, 2017),-- **was placed on file.**

CEDAC,-- annual report. SD2203

Petition.

Mr. Rodrigues presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Rodrigues, Carole A. Fiola, Paul A. Schmid, III and Alan Silvia for legislation to name a certain bridge in the city of Fall River as the Leonard "Lenny" Kaplan Memorial Bridge;

Fall River,-- bridge naming. SD2202

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

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Gobi, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on petition, a Bill relative to the Charles River water quality commission (Senate, No. 434);

Charles River water quality,-- commission.

Read and, under Joint Rule 29, referred to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Brownsberger, for the committee on the Judiciary, on petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Sharon J. Nolan, an employee of the Trial Court (Senate, No. 2057);

Sharon J. Nolan,-- sick leave.

Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Moore, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill validating actions taken by the town of Templeton at the annual town meeting held on November 9, 2015 (printed in Senate, No. 2064, changed in line 2 by striking out the word:- "annual" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- "special");

Templeton,-- town meeting.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill validating actions taken by the town of Templeton at the annual town meeting held on May 14, 2016 (printed in Senate, No. 2065);

Id.

By Mr. Timilty, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, on petition, a Bill establishing the month of May as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month (Senate, No. 1742);

Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative honoring those killed in the line of duty (Senate, No. 1817);

Line of duty,-- honoring.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill designating March as Fibromuscular Dysplasia Awareness Month (Senate, No. 1819); and

Fibromuscular Dysplasia Awareness Month.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill relative to the flying of the flag of the Commonwealth at half staff on state buildings and installations (Senate, No. 1820);

State buildings,-- flying of the flag.

Severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3692) of Thomas M. Stanley and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Lincoln be authorized to exchange certain parcels of conservation land;

Lincoln,-- conservation land.

To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3693) of Thomas M. Stanley and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Lincoln be authorized to establish property tax exemptions for certain affordable accessory apartments;

Lincoln,-- property tax exemptions.

To the committee on Revenue.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Brady, Timilty and O'Connor) "congratulating the Old Colony Planning Council on its fiftieth anniversary";

Old Colony Planning Council.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem) "congratulating the third grade students at the Edward Devotion School in the town of Brookline on their participation in the Thirty-Third Annual JFK Essay and Poetry Program";

Third grade students of Edward Devotion School.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) "congratulating George Forrest Dawe, IV of the town of Danvers on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

George Forrest Dawe, IV.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) "congratulating Joseph Di Stasio of the town of Danvers on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout"; and

Joseph Di Stasio.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. O'Connor and Tarr) "commending the United States Coast Guard, the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, the National Safe Boating Council and the Massachusetts Environmental Police for recognizing National Safe Boating Week."

United States Coast Guard et al.,-- safe boating week.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill authorizing the town of Boylston to continue the employment of police chief Anthony Sahagian (House, No. 1429,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

Boylston,-- Anthony Sahagian.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr.

Ross, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

A Bill establishing the Department of Inspectional Services and Permitting in the town of Lakeville (House, No. 2780,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

Lakeville,--
inspectional services
and permitting.

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

Petitions were severally referred, in concurrence, as follows, to wit:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3690) of Louis L. Kafka and others that the Massachusetts Credit Union Share Insurance Corporation be authorized to create and maintain a fund for the insurance of shares and deposits of members of the Central Credit Union Fund, Inc.;

Massachusetts Credit
Union Share
Insurance
Corporation.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 9, to the committee on Financial Services.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3691) of Aaron Vega, Gailanne M. Cariddi and Elizabeth A. Poirier relative to authorizing the merger of the Salvation Army of Massachusetts, Inc. into the Salvation Army, a New York Corporation;

Salvation Army,--
merger.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 9, to the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill amending the charter of the town of Acushnet to eliminate the residency requirement for town administrator (see House, No. 1409) (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. Timilty) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Bill laid before the
Governor.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ross,--

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.

Adjourn In Memory of Dr. Judy Bradford.

The Senator from Essex and Middlesex, Ms. L'Italien, moved that when the Senate adjourns today it do so in memory of Dr. Judy Bradford.

Judy Bradford, PhD, was Co-Chair of the Fenway Institute at Fenway Health from its founding in 2001. The Fenway Institute is a world-renowned center for research, education and training, and policy development focused on LGBT health and HIV prevention and care.

Dr. Bradford was a leading HIV researcher in the early days of the epidemic, a lesbian health researcher, and then an LGBT health researcher.

Dr. Bradford played a key role in building a framework for LGBT-focused research and teaching. She was the first research scientist to head a National Institute of Health (NIH) funded population studies center focused on sexual and gender minority health, and the first to receive NIH funding to support a summer institute to train the next generation of LGBT health researchers.

Dr. Bradford was a key influencer of NIH policy as a member of the Council of the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD).

Dr. Bradford served on the first Institute of Medicine (IOM) panel focused on lesbian health in the late 1990s, and then was key in the IOM's 2011 landmark report on sexual and gender minority health disparities. She was a passionate believer in improving the health of our community by performing sound research and by teaching others how to do this research.

Dr. Bradford was also a leading demographer who helped document the existence of gay, lesbian and bisexual people and same-sex couples across the US by analyzing the 1990 and 2000 Census data on same-sex couple households.

Dr. Bradford lost a heroic, several year battle with cancer in February 2017. Despite her health condition, during the last years of her life Dr. Bradford led a groundbreaking NIMHD-funded research project on health disparities affecting LGBTQ youth of color in Greater Boston. She launched a bisexual health research project with leading researchers from across the U.S., and participated in White House meetings on bisexuality.

Dr. Bradford was a leading research on older LGBT people. She conducted groundbreaking research on LGBT elders in Massachusetts through the Massachusetts LGBT Aging Needs Assessment in 2009, and helped launch the first-in-the-nation statewide Special Legislative Commission on LGBT Aging in 2014.

Dr. Bradford played a key role in promoting the addition of sexual orientation and gender identity questions to health and demographic surveys, and in developing standards for measuring sexual orientation and gender identity in health care and other clinical settings.

As a result of Dr. Bradford's visionary research, education, and advocacy with government officials, we know more about LGBT health and demography, and about how to prevent HIV infection and keep people living with HIV healthy. The General Court of Massachusetts acknowledges her significant contributions to the LGBT community in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and across the nation and world.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect in memory of Dr. Judy Bradford, at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Ross, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.