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At a General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, begun and holden at Boston on the first Wednesday, being the second day of January, in the year two thousand and nineteen, and the two hundred and forty-third of the independence of the United States of America, and the one hundred and ninety-first General Court of the Commonwealth, the following named members-elect of the Senate, having been duly summoned by the Executive, assembled at nine minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., in the Senate Chamber, to wit:-

- Hon. Adam G. Hinds of Pittsfield..... in the *Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden District.*
- Hon. Paul R. Feeney of Foxborough.....in the *Bristol and Norfolk District.*
- Hon. Michael J. Rodrigues of Westport.....in the *First Bristol and Plymouth District.*
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- Hon. Dean A. Tran of Fitchburgin the *Worcester and Middlesex District.*
- Hon. Ryan C. Fattman of Sutton.....in the *Worcester and Norfolk District.*

And were called to order by the Honorable Marc R. Pacheco.

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At the request of Senator-elect Pacheco, the Senators-elect, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of allegiance.

The following prayer was offered by Rabbi Joseph Meszler of Temple Sinai in Sharon:

Prayer.

God, you have blessed us this day and we feel thankful.

Our elected leaders are gathered here at the beginning of a new session.

A new beginning brings hope with a long and optimistic to-do list.

Inspires the feeling of deep privilege to represent others who have given not only their votes but their trust and instills in all of us the duty to raise up the voices of those who otherwise could not be heard.

Teach us to look out for the most vulnerable among us.

And this beginning kindles a feeling of awesome responsibility for all people to work well together for the greater good.

We also may feel pride in our commonwealth where people do in fact work together.

We are grateful to live where we live.

All the more so is then the responsibility for our representatives to be leaders and role models of cooperation, respect and reason to the rest of the nation and the world.

God help those gathered here to turn to you for patients, thoughtfulness and long view.

In my Jewish tradition, we pray in the name of our ancestors.

This approach casts each of us in a species role where we are not just participants now but the ancestors for tomorrow.

Let those who work here today be worthy ancestors for the generations to come.

God, we look to you as not only the creator of this beautiful world but also with the origin of hum.

You have -- of law.

You have entrusted us to bring peace, feeling harmly and dignity to each other and that spirit bless now those who have gathered here to rise to the best that is in us.

On motion of Mr. Feeney, the above prayer was ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Ordered printed.

The National Anthem was sung by The Voices of Praise from the Greater Framingham Community Church.

National Anthem.

Communication.

The following communication, together with the returns of votes and schedules referred to, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and placed on file, to wit:

Return of votes for Senators.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02133

January 2, 2019

To the Honorable Senate:

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I have the honor to lay before you the returns of votes cast at the election held in this Commonwealth on the sixth day of November, 2018 for Senators in the General Court in the several districts, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for.

These returns have been duly canvassed by the Governor and Council, and are now transmitted for examination by the Senate, as required by the Constitution and General Laws.

Very Truly Yours,
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Gobi,--

Ordered, That a special committee of the Senate to be appointed for the purpose of canvassing the votes for Senators in the several districts.

Canvass votes for
Senators.

Senators-elect Lewis of Middlesex, Chandler of Worcester and Humason of Hampden and Hampshire were appointed the committee.

The Chair, Mr. Pacheco recognized several dignitaries in attendance including U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren, U.S. Senator Edward Markey, the Honorable Martin Walsh, mayor of the city of Boston, former Senate Presidents Robert E. Travaglini and Therese Murray, the Honorable Thomas M. McGee, former Senator and mayor of the city of Lynn, the Honorable Yvonne M. Spicer, mayor of the city of Framingham, the Honorable William F. Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Suzanne M. Bump, State Auditor.

Dignitaries.

Subsequently, Mr. Lewis, for the said special committee, reported that the following named persons had been duly elected, to wit:

- Hon. Adam G. Hinds of Pittsfield..... in the *Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden District.*
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The report was read, and the report was considered forthwith and accepted.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Ms. Creem,--

Ordered, That a committee be appointed by the Chair to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, Her Honor Karyn E. Polito, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Council and the Constitutional officers and inform them that a quorum of the Senators-elect have assembled and are ready to be qualified.

Governor, et al,--
inform that quorum is
present in Senate.

Senators-elect Friedman of Middlesex, Comerford of Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester, Lesser of Hampden and Hampshire, Jehlen of Middlesex, Eldridge of Middlesex and Worcester and Tran of Middlesex and Worcester were appointed the committee.

Subsequently, Ms. Friedman, for the said committee, reported that the committee had waited upon His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, the Honorable Council, and the Constitutional officers and had conveyed to them the message of the Senate; and that the Governor had asked her to say that he would be pleased to attend forthwith upon the Honorable Senate, with the Honorable Council and the Constitutional officers, to administer the oaths of office. The report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

Soon after, His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, members of the Honorable Council, Maura Healey, Attorney General of the Commonwealth, Deborah Goldberg, Treasurer and Receiver-General and Suzanne M. Bump, State Auditor, came in; and the Senators-elect then took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify them for the discharge of their duties as Senators at twenty-six minutes before twelve o’clock noon.

Qualifications of
Senators.

The Governor briefly addressed the Senate.

His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, the Honorable Council and the Constitutional officers then withdrew from the Chamber.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rodrigues,--

Ordered, That, pursuant to the provisions of Senate Rule 4A, the Senate shall proceed forthwith to the election of a President.

Election of a
President.

Ms. Creem placed in nomination for President, Ms. Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk, and Ms. Creem briefly addressed the Senate.

*Nomination Speech for Karen E. Spilka to be Elected Senate President
By Senator Cynthia Stone Creem.*

Mr. President, I rise to place in nomination as the President of the Massachusetts State Senate, the name of the Honorable Karen E. Spilka, the distinguished Senator from Ashland - representing the 2nd Middlesex and Norfolk District.

Statement of Senator
Cynthia Stone
Creem.

Senator Spilka has already proven herself to be an effective leader of this historic body. She has already shown us her diligence, her intellect, and her collaborative spirit in developing and advocating for initiatives important to the members and the people of our state.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor once noted, "We don't accomplish anything in this world alone... and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something." Karen would be the first to acknowledge the truth of that statement.

Karen came to Boston to attend Northeastern Law School. Many lawyers go on to adversarial and often quite lucrative legal work, but Karen opted instead for the kind of law that was in keeping with her broader vision for society.

She went into community mediation and arbitration. And, if you think about it, that has been her approach to her work here in the Senate as well.

We already know from her leadership here that she is a change-maker for the public good, and a woman who leads by doing the work and by sharing the credit. Her public record of accomplishments is impressive.

But it is her personal story that makes me excited about this opportunity to nominate her today.

She grew up in Yonkers, New York and went upstate to attend Cornell. One of my favorite stories is about the time she was close to graduation and her car broke down. Like most of us would, she brought her car to a garage.

But, when she found out how much it would cost, Karen bought the manual instead- and learned how to do it herself. This was just the beginning! Apparently, she even had a lift installed in her home garage and to this day she does many of her own repairs – and I hear her rates are very reasonable!

Curious and undaunted by obstacles, that's how I think of Karen- someone who doesn't see any kind of ceiling, glass or otherwise. She is always willing to put in the time and effort to learn and do more.

On a more personal level, Karen has been there for her family.

When health care and other issues have arisen, she has always stepped up, again acquiring the necessary knowledge to be useful. Working with medical advisors, she was able to help evaluate and assist with different medication regimes to treat her father's lifelong psychological issues, resulting from the traumas of military service for our country.

And she was a life-long advocate for her sister, Susie. Susie worked and played hard as a child and adult, and Karen and her family made sure she was not discriminated against or held back because of her Down Syndrome.

I was lucky to have met Susie here, and to see the closeness of these sisters.

When Susie was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, Karen was her strongest supporter, making sure Susie received care with dignity and love. That's who Karen is.

And these personal life experiences are woven into who Karen is, what she

stands for and what she will fight for to better the lives of people in our communities. Karen has shown an unwavering commitment to better health care, including equity in mental health coverage and access to affordable care, including prescription drugs, for all people.

She has worked to remove barriers for individuals whose equal rights were not guaranteed, and to remove barriers that prevent equal access, whether it be discrimination by gender, race, income or disability.

In this building, we have seen Karen's passion for taking on large and complicated issues - and her sensible even-handedness in working together with fellow Senators to resolve differences.

We know her successes with the difficult and contentious task of developing and negotiating state budgets, we have seen her stand firm on equal rights and equal pay, and on reforming our juvenile justice system.... and so many other issues of basic fairness.

She has done so by working with others – working with each and every one of us, with advocates on different sides of an issue, the minority party, and of course our colleagues in the House and the corner office.

Karen has shown us that she will listen to good ideas wherever they come from, and incorporate them to make legislation better.

And, she will not be outworked when it comes to fixing the pressing issues facing our constituents and our state.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg has said “Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you.” This is the type of leader Karen has been for so many years.

And now I ask you to join me in supporting Karen as she works with us and for us - to fight for the environment, for public education, for equality and civil rights, for economic growth, for public transportation and so many of the other issues that we all care so deeply about.

It has been my pleasure to serve with Karen in this chamber for more than a decade. I am proud of the way she has led this Senate, and now I am proud to formally nominate my friend and colleague Karen E. Spilka to be President of the Massachusetts State Senate.

Thank you.

The nomination of Senator Spilka for President was seconded by Mr. Cyr, who also briefly addressed the Senate.

*Seconding Speech for Karen E. Spilka to be Elected Senate President
By Senator Julian Cyr.*

Thank you Mr. President and through my colleagues and their honored guests to the citizens of the Commonwealth.

We assemble today in this glorious chamber, each of us marveling at the opportunity to serve, each of us humbled by the once-in-a-generation chance to do so in this sparkling refurbished chamber, each of us keenly aware of the legacy of this body and the promise of what's possible in this 191st session of the great and general court.

The walls of this chamber were stripped to its foundation; the chandelier dismantled and burnished; each wooden block and beam taken apart, steamed, sanded by hand, painted, and put back in place. And when this chamber was in scaffolding, we too underwent a parallel, if unplanned, renovation – and we are better for it.

Statement of Senator
Julian Cyr.

And, I would be remiss Mr. President if I did not recognize the soon to be new clerk who stands beside our presiding officer at the rostrum.

Mr. President, when it comes to choosing who among us should lead us, it is my profound honor to second the nomination of our colleague from Ashland, Karen E. Spilka, to be president of the Massachusetts Senate.

I first met Karen Spilka in 2011 in a gathering after the FY12 budget had been passed — I was a newly minted legislative liaison at the time but I somehow struck up a conversation with the Gentlelady from Ashland. We talked about my work in public health and our dogs; she showed me pictures of her dogs. I don't recall what else was said but I distinctly remember how she made me feel — she was genuinely interested in what I did; she was approachable, with no pretense, and wicked funny.

I didn't imagine then that I'd be a colleague serving alongside Karen and all of you. Yet two years ago, I found myself finding my way here, and Karen from then on was a constant presence, always looking out for how she could help. "How can we make you successful?" she'd ask. "What are the priorities in your district?" We can't get this done yet, but there's always another day. Let's figure it out."

When I put my foot in my mouth, as eager Millennials like me are wont to do, Karen was there to throw me a life vest, and shared her own colorful stumbles when she was a new member of the Legislature, which is the best sort of mentorship you can find.

Those two years went by mighty fast, and in that time Karen was more than a colleague, she had become a mentor and a treasured friend.

And now, at the outset of the 191th General Court, it is upon us to select who among us should lead our august body, who among us should be the champion of our work and cause. For me?

I want a president of the Senate who sees the promise in each and every member, no matter their party or seniority.

I want a president of the Senate who sinks her teeth into policy and cares about getting it right, not keeping up with the news cycle or scoring political points.

I want a president of the Senate who is a fierce negotiator. I want a president who can navigate her way through the stakeholders and egos in the building, who transcends the status quo of Beacon Hill politics with the skills of a mediator and a seasoned social worker.

I want a president of the Senate who listens to staff, who goes out of her way to be invested them. I want a president who understands that the people who keep our offices and this building humming are as essential as anything else.

I want a president of the Senate who sees all parts of the Commonwealth, who appreciates that the problems that face Pittsfield or Provincetown aren't secondary to those in communities geographically closer to the Hill.

I want a president of the Senate who knows what it's like to be left out.

And I want a president of the Senate who is a woman.

My friends, we need a president of the Senate who believes in uplifting every member, but who has the grit to go toe-to-toe for what this chamber passes and get those actions signed into law.

We need a president of the Senate who listens to her constituents and isn't afraid to be challenged by new conceptions and novel ways of seeing the world.

We need a president of the Senate who is an ally to the forgotten. We need a president who is a fierce protector of justice, especially at a time when the values that make this Commonwealth and country truly great are under assault.

And in Karen E. Spilka, we have a president of the Senate who has a bevy of accomplishments that have fundamentally changed the structures of our society so

that all people — women, children, those across the developmental spectrum, immigrant children, transgender people – the most vulnerable among us - have equal access and opportunity.

In Karen Spilka we have a president of the Senate who will work with any of us on a good idea, however complicated or minute. In Karen, we have a president of the Senate who has a bold vision for our Commonwealth.

In Karen Spilka, we have a president of the Senate who understands that leadership isn't bravado or in hearing the sound of one's own voice. In Karen, we have a president of the Senate who knows that true leadership takes knowing yourself, your flaws and your strengths, that effective leadership takes facilitation, and true leadership raises others up and not simply advances your own fortunes.

In Karen, we have a president of the Senate who brings humor and a *joe de vivre* into this essential work.

In Karen Spilka, we have a president of the Senate who can take the big, pressing dreams that each of us bring to this body and work tirelessly to ensure that bold, new ideas don't end up as empty rhetoric but rather become something truly transformational — and are enacted into law.

My friends, the walls of this storied chamber are now primed and painted within an inch of historic accuracy, but our Senate is a far cry from the one that first assembled here in 1900. It is fitting that in this moment we be led by a woman with the strength, wisdom, poise, and sense of fairness of Karen E. Spilka. Our colleague from Ashland is invested in our successes, she shares the dreams of our constituents, and will bring a needed urgency and diligence to the work that lies ahead.

Mr. President I stand here today — honored and excited for what's possible — to second the nomination for the Senator from Ashland, Karen E. Spilka to be our Senate President.

Mr. Fattman placed in nomination for President, of Mr. Tarr of Essex and Middlesex.

*Nomination Speech for Bruce E. Tarr to be Elected Senate President
By Senator Ryan C. Fattman.*

Thank you President and first let me begin by wishing you and the members of this body, as well as the family members and friends who have joined us here today a very Happy New Year.

Today the members of the State Senate will be choosing the leader of this prestigious body. Although the members will have before them two qualified and greatly respected candidates for the position of Senate President, it is my honor to nominate Senator Bruce E. Tarr as President of the Massachusetts State Senate.

In this historic 191st assembling of the Massachusetts General Court, We would be remiss if I failed to remind ourselves as public servants of this Commonwealth that we have responsibility to be a government of the people, by the people, for the people - never above the people.

In the long days and nights that will come for us ahead, it will be important to remember that whatever else is happening in the world or this country, we rely on each other irrespective of what letter may come after our name.

And speaking of names, for those of you who don't know me - I grew up with the last name Fattman.

I've been called many things in my life which prepared me well for this job.

But today we are reminded that the best names we are called are not that of

Statement of Senator
Ryan C. Fattman

senator, or senate president, but that of father, mother, husband, wife, sister, brother, friend.

These titles give us commonality in an uncommon time in our country, and they bring us together at a time when we need that most.

As the father of two children, I like many others serve this historic body only as a means of serving our future. In a current political climate filled with divisiveness and uncertainty, there remains a need for this very body to live up to its greatest potential and be heard as a voice for the people in the Commonwealth.

Author Robert Greenleaf stated in his essay *The Servant Leader* that "where there is not community, trust, and respect...ethical behavior is difficult for the young to learn and for the old to maintain".

During my tenure serving beside the gentleman from Gloucester, he has only displayed empathy, understanding, courtesy, and ethics under his leadership.

The consummate public servant who's served as a former prosecutor, state representative, and now state senator, Bruce Tarr has dedicated his life to serving and helping others.

He's usually the first person in this building and the last to leave, often times consulting on the difficult issues of our time. Whether through Melissa's Law, working to support our police, fire and first responders, working to fund our schools or ensuring the welfare of animals including our pets, Senator Tarr holds knowledge of this institution few could rival, and less could hope to keep.

No matter who you are or where you come from, Senator Tarr will be there for you. If you have a question on procedure, he can answer it. A problem on policy: he will solve it. And perhaps most important: if you need someone to talk to, he will lend a listening ear and offer sage advice.

Talented on the podium no less, the gentleman from Gloucester has been compared to the likes of a Massachusetts' very own Cicero...younger and more handsome of course, who, instead of donning a purple toga, has settled for a purple tie: A symbol of his commitment to consensus, consolation, and bipartisan leadership.

It is in this spirit that we are reminded about the need for trust, honesty, and integrity in this body after a long fog has dissipated after the previous session. Senator Tarr possesses the attributes necessary to lead this great body forward, including laying his own personal relationships aside for betterment of this institution.

In recent times, there's been a great deal of talk about our institutions, our democracy, those who serve, and American greatness.

I recently attended a forum talking about what makes our Country exceptional:

Throughout human history, there have been many great nations, many great civilizations. But what makes America great is that we are good, and that manifestation of goodness is found in our citizens.

Every Christmas season, a group of sick unsuspecting children at Shriners Hospital find themselves receiving dozens of gifts, hugs, laughs and love from a man they don't even know. No, it's not Santa Clause...it's Senator Bruce Tarr, who for over a decade has delivered Christmas tidings to children in need.

This is just one example of that goodness. So long as America is good and our leaders act accordingly, America will always be great.

Cicero once said "It is not by muscle, speed, or physical dexterity that great things are achieved, but by reflection, force of character, and judgment." I can think of no other who possesses these attributes more than the Gentleman from Gloucester and I hope you will join me in supporting his candidacy for President.

Thank you.

The nomination of Senator Tarr for President was seconded by Mr. O'Connor, who also briefly addressed the Senate.

*Seconding Speech for Bruce E. Tarr to be Elected Senate President
By Senator Patrick M. O'Connor.*

Thank you Mr. President, I rise to second the nomination the gentleman from Gloucester, Bruce E. Tarr, for President of the Massachusetts State Senate.

Statement of Senator
Patrick M. O'Connor.

It's hard to mention State Senator Bruce Tarr without someone making note of how skilled an orator he is. I think it's very fair to say that he is among the greatest orators we've had in the State Legislature.

The Bruce Tarr that I want to talk about is not the legislator delivering impassioned speeches in this chamber, I want to talk about Bruce Tarr outside of this chamber, who he is at his core and why he is the person to lead our esteemed chamber.

Every single year at Christmastime, Bruce Tarr plans events all across his district, from the early morning hours till late at night, he then crisscrosses his district going to these events spreading holiday cheer and collecting toys.

He then takes these toys, employs the help of Santa Claus, and goes to Shriner's Hospital to deliver these toys to children suffering with burns, spinal cord injuries, and other injuries and ailments no child should have to face.

I had the privilege of going last year and seeing the look on these kid's faces as they get to meet Santa, or when our colleague, Bruce Tarr, told them to pick out a toy. This is the character of Bruce Tarr.

This is just one of hundreds and hundreds of untold stories like this that define Bruce Tarr.

Compassion, selflessness, humility, and bravery are just some of the characteristics you want in the person to lead this body. We are so fortunate to have two who possess these characteristics and more.

In a time that we see unprecedented division in our Nation's Capital, and in City Halls and State Capitols across our county, we in this chamber chose to buck that trend by standing up to that status quo. We chose to have conversations rather than arguments, we chose to put people before politics, and we chose to work together and compromise for the better of our constituents, our communities, and the Commonwealth.

We do this, in large part, because of the leadership of Bruce Tarr. It is for these reasons, and so many more that I am honored and privileged to not just second the nomination of Bruce Tarr for Senate President, but to call him a friend.

Thank you Mr. President.

On motion of Mr. Barrett, the nominations were closed.

The roll was called at four minutes past twelve o'clock noon, and the following named members voted for Karen E. Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk:

Barrett, Michael J.
Boncore, Joseph A.
Brady, Michael D.
Brownsberger, William N.
Chandler, Harriette L.

Gobi, Anne M.
Hinds, Adam G.
Jehlen, Patricia D.
Kennedy, Edward J.
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| Comerford, Joanne M. | Montigny, Mark C. |
| Creem, Cynthia Stone | Moore, Michael O. |
| Crighton, Brendan P. | Pacheco, Marc R. |
| Cyr, Julian | Rausch, Rebecca L. |
| DiDomenico, Sal N. | Rodrigues, Michael J. |
| Dizoglio, Diana | Rush, Michael F. |
| Feeney, Paul R. | Spilka, Karen E. |
| Finegold, Barry R. | Timilty, Walter F. |
| Friedman, Cindy F. | Welch, James T. ---33. |
| Eldridge, James B. | |

The following named members voted for Bruce E. Tarr of Essex and Middlesex:

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| deMacedo, Viriato M. | O'Connor Patrick M. |
| Fattman, Ryan C. | Tarr, Bruce E. |
| Humason, Donald F., Jr. | Tran, Dean A. --- 6 |

The Chair announced the results of the votes as follows:

Whole number of votes	40
Necessary for a choice.....	21
Karen E. Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk had	33
Bruce E. Tarr of Essex and Middlesex had	6

The roll call having been completed at eight minutes past twelve o'clock noon, Ms. Spilka was declared elected as President of the Senate.

Mr. Tarr moved that it be the sense of the Senate that the vote for Karen E. Spilka for President should be made unanimous and that this expression of opinion be made a part of the records of the Senate.

Sense of the Senate.

There being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it was unanimously adopted.

Ms. Spilka was escorted to the Chair by Senators Rush of Norfolk and Suffolk and Brownsberger of Suffolk and Middlesex.

The President then addressed the Senate as follows:

It is my honor today to be the first to welcome you to our renovated Senate chamber; doesn't it look spectacular?

Remarks of Senate President Karen E. Spilka.

On behalf of everyone here, I'd like to thank the many, many people who worked on this historic restoration.

In a world that has become increasingly virtual, the Senate chamber remains a place where we can come together and sit side by side as equals to work on behalf of the people of the Commonwealth, a place where we can look each other in the eye as we advocate for our positions—and sometimes respectfully disagree—and shake hands at the end of a long day.

Soon, this chamber will be filled with our voices as we begin the 191st legislative session.

As we started work on this renovation, however, we found this chamber was already filled with voices from our past that we could no longer ignore; the voices of those who—by accident or design—have been excluded from this great chamber throughout our history.

We heard the voice of one of our great leaders, Frederick Douglass, who

dedicated his life to eradicating slavery, and worked with abolitionists to not only free his fellow enslaved countrymen, but create true equality for African Americans.

His words have proven to be so powerful that we have enshrined them on our wall: “Truth, Justice, Liberty, and Humanity Will Ultimately Prevail”—words that will guide our work here.

We have also heard the voices of the women who, despite Abigail Adams’ demand to ‘remember the ladies,’ had to fight for the right to vote, then legislate, and then lead.

As record numbers of women take office nationwide this month, we remember the tremendous courage of the Suffragettes, who 100 years ago organized, protested and fought for their rights as Americans.

Finally, we have heard the voices of those whose minds were excluded from full debate in this chamber because their physical bodies were not able, and as a result we have made this chamber fully accessible from front to back.

We remember with fondness—and sadness—our recently departed colleagues Senator Tom Kennedy and Majority Leader Fred Berry, who forced us to confront the physical limitations of this space, and who also made us realize the importance of encouraging all voices to have a seat—or a wheelchair—in this Chamber.

I so wish they could be here today, to take the new lift up to this rostrum, and sit beside me, and to know that physical ability will never be an impediment to being a Senator ever again.

To all who have come before us and raised their voices in a chorus of demands for more truth, more justice, more liberty and more humanity—we have heard you.

As we marvel at the beauty of this renovated Chamber, we can look to the two alcoves left empty, and know that, soon, they will be filled with the busts of Frederick Douglas, and an important woman from our history, very possibly our own Abigail Adams.

Their presence will remind us that we are moving closer towards our goals of equity, diversity, and accessibility, both in our physical space, and in the work that we do.

The voices of our past called to us to create a better Senate chamber; and now, as we begin our new session, the voices of our future call to us to create a better Commonwealth.

When rising ocean levels threaten our coasts, and when unreliable public transportation makes the lives of working families almost impossible, what are these voices trying to tell us?

When the level of income inequality in Massachusetts is the highest in the nation, and families feel they must choose between a house they can afford and a decent education for their children, what are these voices trying to tell us?

And when the cost of healthcare threatens the well-being of our small businesses, our schools, our public institutions, our municipalities and our families, what are the voices of our future trying to tell us?

They are telling us it is time to get to work. They are telling us that the time for small ideas and incremental change is over. They are telling us that we cannot let the political battles of today prevent us from conquering the complex challenges of tomorrow. And they are telling us that, yes, we must be bold.

To those voices I say, ‘We hear you,’ and ‘We are ready to lead.’

When I first ran for State Representative, I chose as my campaign slogan the phrase “For Our Future.”

I didn’t realize it at the time, but that phrase would become much more than a slogan for me, it would become a guiding principle, and a constant call to action.

Today, that call to action feels more urgent than ever.

We are living through a time of remarkable change. Technology has radically changed the way that we live and work and shifting priorities have caused us to rethink everything from where we live to how we commute.

Massachusetts, in true form, has led the way in this new landscape.

We have produced entirely new industries fueled by creativity, innovation, and technological expertise, but we have also experienced pain points in the areas where we have failed to adjust or keep up.

I have faith, however, that not only will Massachusetts rise to the challenges we face, we will be an example to others on how to navigate our way to a better future by calling on the fundamentals that have guided us in the past, namely education, innovation, and caring for the common good.

Education has always been Massachusetts' lodestar, beginning with the birth of public education under the guidance of former Senate President and Franklin native Horace Mann.

I'm proud that the Senate successfully advocated for a record investment in education funding this past year, but we must do more.

Adequately funding our education system will be one of the top priorities of the Senate this session.

I hope that we will pass a bill to finally implement the recommendations of the Foundation Budget Review Commission as soon as we are able, because all children deserve access to a quality public education, regardless of where they live or who they are.

Education drives our economic growth, our national leadership, and our ability to strive for an ever greater quality of life for our residents.

It also drives our passion for ingenuity and innovation, our second fundamental value.

Massachusetts has never been shy about shaking up the status quo, from the Revolutionary War to the fight for equal marriage. As gridlock grips the federal government, we have both the opportunity and the obligation to lead.

Right now, increasing health care costs serve as a silent stranglehold on budgets everywhere. We can begin to address this by passing legislation that slows the rise of prescription drug prices and increases transparency for the consumer.

When it comes to climate change adaptation, our potential for leadership is virtually limitless, especially as our proactive and evidenced-based approach stands in stark contrast to the inaction of Washington. We can work with businesses and scientists to push the envelope on clean energy technologies, creating new jobs in the process. Collaborating with city and town governments, we can determine smart environmental changes on the local level that will help offset our transportation and housing concerns.

We can commit ourselves to creating a transportation infrastructure that matches our innovation economy by studying the feasibility of re-envisioning our outdated commuter rail system as a true Rapid Regional Rail system.

We can take on the challenge of creating livable neighborhoods where people can afford to live, work and raise a family,

And we can, and should, continue our leadership in the areas of juvenile justice and criminal justice reform, so that we level the playing field and give all of our residents a fair shot at a brighter future.

As we call on our ingenuity to deliver innovation solutions for our future, no idea should be beyond consideration.

Finally, the term *common wealth* reminds us that we are all invested in

preserving our common good. To that end, we must create an economic development and tax framework for the 21st century where innovative technology-driven businesses can develop and thrive here, but where we also capture new revenue to continue providing essential services, and fund our vision for our future.

So far, we have been addressing these new industries on a piecemeal basis, which only serves to breed confusion for business, government, and consumers. We must work together to find a balance that benefits us all, especially as we will be relying on these industries to fuel our economic success.

In the meantime, we can be proud that the Legislature has increased the balance of our Rainy Day Fund to more than \$2 billion, which will provide for our resilience as a Commonwealth as we prepare for a future that is both exciting and uncertain.

As I contemplate how the Massachusetts State Senate will address the complex challenges before us, I am reminded of another Frederick Douglass quote: “I would unite with anybody to do right and with nobody to do wrong.”

As your Senate President, I am committed to making sure we invite all voices to the table, and if we find that the table just isn’t big enough, we will build a bigger table.

I promise to listen to your voices, and, through you, the voices of your constituents.

I promise to listen to the voices of our partners in state government, the Speaker of the House and the Governor.

I promise to listen to the Minority Leader, to business leaders, labor unions, our institutions of higher learning, and government officials.

And I also promise to listen to the voices of children and of working mothers, of teachers and steelworkers and seniors and veterans and nurses and home health aides and police and firefighters, of immigrants and small business owners, scientists, artists and academics, and many others, especially those who feel don’t believe they have a voice at the table right now, because these are all the voices of our future, and I want us to be able to say: ‘We hear you.’

There is one more voice from the past that compels me to action, and I have saved it for last because it is personal to me, and that is the voice of my father.

While the physical injuries he sustained during his military service were attended to, the psychological trauma he experienced never was, and this inattention to his mental health had long-term consequences for him, and for our family, just as undiagnosed or untreated mental illness has long-term consequences for many families across our Commonwealth.

As we fight for our future, we must make the care of our mental health as routine as the care of our physical health, and end the stigma surrounding mental illness once and for all.

We cannot end the epidemic of addiction, or solve the problems of chronic homelessness and unemployment, child abuse and neglect, veteran and first responder PTSD, childhood bullying, or repeated incarceration, without first addressing the underlying issue of mental health.

This is my personal promise to all of you: that achieving true mental health parity, and finding creative ways to integrate preventative mental health care into our health care system – will be my priority, for this session, and for as long as it takes.

As we begin our session, it is a privilege to be in this Chamber with you today, in this place where we can listen to and be guided by the voices of our past, the voices of our present, and the voices of our future, and work together for a future where we not only succeed, we become the model for navigating change while

maintaining our core values.

The work will be hard, and sometimes the voices of our critics will threaten to overwhelm us. But if we promise to remain true to ourselves, each other, and our common values—and listen to one another, we will create a better Commonwealth.

I thank you again for the trust you put in me, and I stand as ready as ever to be your Senate President.

Thank you.

Mr. Tarr asked unanimous consent to make a statement; and, there being no objection, he addressed the Senate as follows:

Well, well, well, Madam President.

Madam President, I want to offer my heartiest congratulations to you. You can understand my surprise because when I got up this morning I was listening to all of the exit polls and they all said that someone with the middle initial E would be the next Senate President. I was so excited for the prospect of that. But, lo and behold Madam President, someone has to win and someone has to lose. But, with your win, we all win. And I want to extend my very sincere congratulations to you and let you know how much I look forward to working with you in the days ahead on so many shared priorities. I appreciate your partnership, your interaction with all of us and your commitment to making sure that the best ideas that we have get elevated to action. That action builds a better Commonwealth. So, thank you.

Madam President, I also want to say thank you to Senator Fattman for nominating me and his words of eloquence and to congratulate him for his rising leadership role in this chamber and for his friendship.

And, so to, to Senator O'Connor whose constant attention to detail and passion make a true difference in this chamber for all of us. And I want to say thank you also to Senator deMacedo, Senator Tran, and Senator Humason for investing their faith and trust in me to lead our efforts to work with all of you. It is truly an honor to serve with them as it is with all of you. I want to thank you all for the trust and respect and interaction that you have with all of us here in our part of the chamber.

Now, you may be asking why I said in our part of the chamber and I'll get to that in a moment. I do want to say thank you to Senate President Emerita Chandler for her work that was then carried on by President Spilka to bring us to this beautiful place that has now new added significance not only because of that quote but because of the next chapter in the life of this chamber that the quote represents. Thank you.

I also want to say thank you to the other Senate presidents that are here for the partnership that we have had because it has built an incredible tradition in this chamber that transcends time and place and defies the negativity that we see in so many other quarters. So thank you Senate President Murray, Senate President Travaglini for that partnership as well.

Teddy Roosevelt said- "Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is a chance to work hard on something that's worth doing." Thanks to the people who have sent us here we all now have that chance today. And, we have it in this glorious new chamber.

Now, I know some of you may be asking a few questions, so we are trying out the new term that this would be the Minority A.R.C. with A.R.C. being an acronym for Advancing Reasonable Concepts. I know a few of you that I talked to when I came in were very concerned about what happened to the Ways and Means Mystery Closet and the Minority Innovation chamber. Rest assured, they are here and they will reveal themselves in due time.

Remarks of Senate
Minority Leader
Bruce E. Tarr.

There is also a very interesting new element to this chamber that we like to call the Minority Collaboration Center. If you look behind the rostrum, you will see that a new space has been created for us to be able to talk with each other. Very interestingly, it has an entrance from the left and it has an entrance from the right. Our passionate hope is that we will all walk through those entrances, at one time or another, meet in the middle, and come back here with a resolution to a problem that before seemed unsolvable, because that is what we do in the Massachusetts state Senate.

It would be easy to be dazzled by this wonderful, glorious new chamber that we are in, and special thanks are owed to all of the craftsmen and craftswoman who made it so and transformed our vision for what this chamber should be into the reality of that we are now in; the bright colors, the warm feeling, the sunlight that streams into the chamber. It would be well to remember that while some things have changed, other things have not. This is the chamber that the cornerstone was laid to by Paul Revere and Sam Adams.

This is the chamber where in 1838 Angelina Grimke gave a speech advocating the abolition of slavery. She was the first woman to address a legislative body in the United States. In fact, Frederick Douglass often quoted her book, *American Slavery As It Is*, in his speeches given in cities and towns of Massachusetts.

This is also the chamber in which John A. Andrew was first elected to office in 1857 as a Representative to the General Court and he served here as a member. He distinguished himself in leading the successful effort to have Judge Edward Greeley Loring, who had ordered the return of fugitive slaves Thomas Sims in 1851 and Anthony Burns in 1854, removed as a judge in the probate court.

His great championing of the end of slavery caused Senator Charles Sumner, upon hearing of the opening of the Governorship, to say- "Give me my boots, John A. Andrew must be the next Governor of Massachusetts."

As we think about that legacy of which we are stewards, we think about the fact that this must be a new chapter in the life of this chamber, where every person is represented, everyone who has contributed to getting us to where we are. And, on that Madam President, you and I share a solemn commitment.

As we move forward, we also need to think about the importance of another great tradition in this chamber. It is true that we have been through some stormy times that no one could have predicted when we last left this chamber to go to our temporary chamber. But, the members of Minority ARC never once, not once, sought to exploit difficult times for political gain. Instead, we joined with you to uphold the greatest traditions of this Senate, that we would have transparency, accountability, honesty and integrity. And we will do no less now.

Sure, we will ask the difficult questions, maybe too many of them for some of you, we will use charts that will illustrate our points, and we will put our ideas on the table. To only offer a critique of the ideas of the majority, without putting on the table the ideas of the minority, would be a disservice to the greatest traditions of this chamber and American democracy and we will not do it.

We share a couple of things, Madam President. I was delighted to read your op-ed in a newspaper of general circulation in the Boston area that appeared this morning because we share so many priorities with everyone in the chamber and you. We have to continue to address the crisis of addiction with innovation and compassion and lead this country. We have to continue to support the people who protect us every day as police officers and firefighters and first responders and continue to send the message that we support them. We need to capture economic opportunity for everyone in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in every corner

of the state including those who are engaged in fishing and farming and the creative economy and in every other sector - that needs to be our role. We do in fact need to control the cost of health care but making sure we have quality care and good access because one without the others is unacceptable.

In addition, we need to think about the fact that we live in times of relative economic prosperity but we will not always enjoy those times so we need to redouble our commitment to keeping the promises we have made like funding education and the recommendations of the Foundation Budget Review Commission, and like revenue sharing with our municipal partners. With an eye toward the future we need to make sure that we must develop spending plans that are sustainable, and defensible, and accountable, so that we never again make promises that we cannot keep to the people who will benefit from those and to the people who must pay for them.

Madam President, we must always think about the issue you have highlighted that never, not for one minute, in this Commonwealth, which has led the country in health care, should anyone who has a mental health issue be subordinate to someone who has another physical health issue, never. That will take work but we need to do it together.

Madam President, we pledge to work with everyone in this chamber collaboratively on so many priorities but we are also aware that the climate will sometimes challenge us to do so. We will uphold our commitment to work to find common ground, to disagree honestly and respectfully, and to always try to leave the discussion with a solution rather than an obstruction.

These are difficult times, and in fact, it was Abigail Adams who said that “Great necessities call out great virtues.” And Teddy Roosevelt said “the most practical kind of politics is the politics of decency.” That is the very kind of politics that we practice here in this chamber.

I would be remiss if I also didn't mention the urgency with which we must address a changing climate. We need to do so thoughtfully, in a cost-effective way, but we need to press on. We cannot ignore it. So, as we think about this great future, I want to as well welcome our new members:

Diana DiZoglio of Methuen,
Edward Kennedy of Lowell,
Jo Comerford of Northampton,
Becca Rausch of Needham,
And the return of Barry Finegold of Andover.

Let me just ask you, let me ask you to hold in these next two years in your hands the sacred trust that has been built in this chamber for our democracy and for our members to work together and for a tradition of making progress collaboratively. Welcome to our chamber.

And also say a warm and hearty thank you to everyone who has returned to build that foundation of trust which will allow us to carry forward.

It was Aristotle Onassis who said- “We must free ourselves of the hope that the sea will ever rest. We must learn to sail in high winds.”

We have been through a lot of tumultuous and turbulent seas and as we look to the next horizon and we know there will be more. We need to operate independently of the conflict and controversy that grips our federal government and lead by example to show what is possible; which is the crucible of good faith and good ideas.

It was Senator John McCain who said- “Glory belongs to the act of being constant to something greater than yourself, to a cause, to your principles, to the

people on whom you rely and who rely on you.” May that be our sacred commitment to each other.

Madam President, let me also thank you and congratulate you on the selection of Michael Hurley as our Clerk and Jennifer Miller as our Counsel, they are truly assets to this body.

It is 2019; we can see a bright horizon one that is full of opportunity and promise and one which can be illuminated by the light of democracy streaming out these windows to the rest of the world. It is 2019; we have a great voyage to embark on. The seas will be rough, but we are all in this boat together and we can reach that new horizon.

Happy new year to everyone, let's set sail.

On motion of Ms. Chandler, all the above addresses were ordered printed in the Journal of the Senate.

Ordered printed.

Election of Clerk.

Mr. Collins moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a Clerk and that the President cast one ballot for Michael D. Hurley of South Boston as Clerk of the Senate; and this motion prevailed.

Clerk election.

Accordingly, after remarks, the ballot was cast and Mr. Hurley was declared elected, and was then qualified by taking the oaths and affirmation as prescribed by the Constitution and also the following oath, which was administered by the President:

“Whereas, you MICHAEL D. HURLEY, are chosen Clerk of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office that you will act faithfully and impartially according to your best skill and judgement. So help you, God.”

Communications.

The following communications were severally received, as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS
SENATE
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133

January 2, 2019

Senator-elect John F. Keenan.

Michael D. Hurley, *Clerk of the Senate*
State House
Room 335
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Today, I am absent from the Chamber due to previously scheduled travel for humanitarian relief program outside of Massachusetts.

I am sorry to miss two important votes during today’s swearing-in ceremony and formal session. Had I been present, I would have voted to name Karen E. Spilka as Senate President and name Michael D. Hurley as Senate Clerk.

I respectfully request that this letter be printed in the Senate Journal as part of the official record. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
John F. Keenan
Senator-elect

Norfolk and Plymouth

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE

January 2, 2019

Senator Donald F.
Humason, Jr.

Michael D. Hurley,
Clerk of the Senate
State House, Room 335
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Mr. Clerk:

As the Chair of the Republic party Caucus, I wish to inform you that the caucus has unanimously appointed Bruce E. Tarr of First Essex and Middlesex District as the Minority Leader in the Senate for the 2019-2020 legislative session.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Don Humason
State Senator

Swearing in of Senate Counsel.

The President announced that he has appointed Jennifer L. Miller of Ipswich as Senate Counsel. Ms. Miller was escorted to the Rostrum by Mr. Tarr of Essex and Middlesex where she took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify her for the discharge of her duties as Senate Counsel.

Senate Counsel
appointment.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Montigny,--

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to notify His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, Her Honor Karyn E. Polito, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth and the Honorable Council of the organization of the Senate; and that the Honorable Karen E. Spilka of Middlesex and Norfolk had been elected President of the Senate, and Michael D. Hurley of South Boston had been elected Clerk of the Senate.

Governor,--
organization of the
Senate.

Senators Brownsberger of Suffolk and Middlesex, DiZoglio of Essex, Rausch of Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex, Welch of Hampden and deMacedo of Plymouth and Barnstable were appointed the committee.

Subsequently, Mr. Brownsberger, for the committee, reported that the said committee had performed the duties assigned to it. The report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hinds,--

Ordered, That the Senate Rules of the last session be observed as the temporary Senate Rules for the present General Court.

Temporary
Senate Rules.

On motion of Ms. Chang-Díaz,--

Ordered, That the joint rules of the 190th General Court (2018-2019) be

Temporary

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observed as the temporary joint rules of the two branches for the present General Court until the adoption of permanent joint rules.

Joint Rules.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Timilty,--

Ordered, that a committee be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the organization of the Senate; and that the Honorable Karen E. Spilka of Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester has been elected President of the Senate; and Michael D. Hurley of South Boston has been elected Clerk of the Senate.

House of
Representatives,--
organization of the
Senate.

Senators Lovely of Essex, Boncore of Suffolk and of Middlesex, Crighton of Essex, Kennedy of Middlesex, Finegold of Essex and Middlesex and O'Connor of Plymouth and Norfolk were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Subsequently, Ms. Lovely, for the said committee, reported that the committee had performed the duties assigned to it. The report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moore,--

Ordered, That the Clerk begin the daily printing of the Journal of the Senate, as authorized by Senate Rule 6, and that the daily reading thereof be dispensed with; that, under authority of Section 22A of Chapter 3 of the General Laws, copies of the Journals of the entire session be printed and bound with the customary appendices and an index; and that a certified copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the official bound Journal of the Senate.

Daily printing of
the Journal.

On motion of Mr. DiDomenico,--

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held at a quarter before twelve o'clock noon on Thursday, January 3, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the several Councillors-elect.

Joint convention of
the two branches.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives by a committee thereof, of the organization of that branch, the House having chosen Robert A. DeLeo of Boston as Speaker, Bradley Jones of North Reading as Minority Leader and Steven T. James of Swampscott as Clerk.

Organization of the
House of
Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Brady,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again tomorrow at a quarter past eleven o'clock A.M.

Time of meeting.

On motion of Ms. Creem, at seven minutes past two o'clock P.M., the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at a quarter past eleven o'clock A.M.