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Thursday, August 29, 2019.

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications.

The following communications were severally received and placed on file, to wit: Communications from the Honorable Bruce E. Tarr, Minority Leader, announcing the following appointments:

Mr. Joseph O'Leary of Maynard (pursuant to Section 69 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws) to the Commission on Grandparents Raising Grandchildren; and Ms. Tara Gregorio (pursuant to Section 91 of Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2019) to the Special Task Force to ensure the financial stability of skilled nursing facilities.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren. Skilled nursing facilities.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Gobi, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on petition, a Bill designating a certain building in the city of Fall River as the Captain Thomas Hudner Jr. Memorial Building (Senate, No. 2258);

Fall River,-- building designation.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

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

Representative Muratore of Plymouth has been appointed to serve as his designee on the task force established (under Section 91 of Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2019) charged with evaluating ways to ensure the financial stability of skilled nursing facilities, considering the role of skilled nursing facilities within the continuum of elder care services, and addressing current workforce challenges within the industry; and

Skilled nursing facilities.

Representative Whelan of Brewster has been appointed to serve as his designee on the special commission established (under Section 101 of Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2019) to evaluate and make recommendations regarding the appropriate level of funding for the Department of Correction and each sheriff's department.

Dept. of Correction,-- funding.

A communication from Division of Banks (under the provisions of Section 171 of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting amendments to 209 CMR 50.00: Parity with Federal Credit Unions (Parity Regulations) (House, No. 4057),-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Financial Services.

Division of Banks.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4055) of Susannah M. Whipps (by vote of the town) that the town of Gill be authorized to continue the employment of Gene M.

Gill,-- fire chief employment.

Beaubien, fire chief of the fire department of said town,-- **was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.**

A Bill relative to nomination of candidates for town meeting in the town of Milford (House, No. 698,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Milford,-- town meeting candidates.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Barrett) “commemorating the sister city relationship between the town of Lexington and the city of Antony, France”;

Lexington and Antony, France.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Creem) “commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Boston House”;

The Boston House.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) “congratulating Thomas Boras on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

Thomas Boras.

Matters Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

There being no objection, the following matters were taken out of the Orders of the Day and considered as follows:

The Senate Bill providing for recall elections in the town of Westport (Senate, No. 2275),-- **was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.**

Westport,-- recall elections.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of New Bedford to enter into a long-term lease for the operation of a performing arts center (Senate, No. 2279),-- was read a second time.

New Bedford,-- performing arts center.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Montigny presented an amendment by striking out, in line 9, the words “commissioning an appraisal or”.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill (Senate, No. 2279, amended) was then ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Report of a Committee.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committee on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of David Erekson for legislation relative to a long term care partnership program;

Long term care,-- program. SD2512

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O’Connor, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Financial Services.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for David P. Christian, an employee of the Department of Correction (Senate, No. 1541),-- came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, *with an amendment* by inserting before the enacting clause, the following emergency preamble:

David P. Christian,-- sick leave.

“*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which

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is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of correction, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.”

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O’Connor, and the House amendment was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence.

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

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4063) of Kevin G. Honan relative to the classification of assisted living residences;

Assisted living residences.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Elder Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4064) of David M. Nangle, Rady Mom and Thomas A. Golden, Jr., for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Kaila McGonagle, an employee of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services;

Kaila McGonagle,-- sick leave.

Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill modifying the Sherwood Forest Road maintenance district in the town of Becket (see House, No. 1819, amended) (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. Jehlen) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.**

Bill laid before the Governor.

The Senate Bill relative to the Hampshire Council of Governments (Senate, No. 2325),-- came from the House passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, *with an amendment* striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in House document numbered 4059.

Hampshire Council of Governments.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. O’Connor, and the House amendment was considered forthwith and adopted, in concurrence.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Ms. Jehlen), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Jeanette McLaughlin.

Moment of silence.

Emergency Preamble Adopted; Engrossed Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the Hampshire Council of Governments (see Senate, No. 2325, amended), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,-- was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.

Hampshire Council of Governments.

The bill was signed by the Acting President, (Ms. Jehlen) and sent to the House for enactment.

Subsequently, the bill, which originated in the Senate, came from the House with the endorsement that it had been enacted in that branch.

The Senate then passed the bill to be enacted; and it was signed by the Acting President (Ms. Jehlen) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Order adopted.

On motion of Mr. O’Connor--

Ordered. That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Tuesday

Time of Meeting.

next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the Clerk be directed to dispense with the printing of a calendar.

Adjournment in Memory of Jeannette McLaughlin.

The Senator from Essex, Ms. Lovely, moves that when the Senate adjourns today it do so in memory of Jeannette McLaughlin of Salem.

Jeanette McLaughlin, of Salem, died peacefully at Kaplan House on May 22, 2019, with family by her side.

Born in Boston to Richard Garfield and Dorothy Small, Jeanette was the eldest of four children. She lived in many places including Boston, Dunstable, and eventually Salem. From her earliest years, Jeanette defied stereotypes. Preferring tree-climbing and fence jumping to playing with dolls, Jeanette and her brother Leonard found no shortage of opportunity for mischief.

Jeanette graduated from Salem High school in 1957 and attended Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School on a full scholarship. At age 20 she married Bruce, the love of her life. With great love and gentle guidance, they raised three children, Scott, Nicole, and Kara. Jeanette always helped support her family. She worked in real estate, banking, and then, at a time when few people had heard the term "computer language," she taught herself to write computer code. This skill led her to the position of Senior Systems Analyst / Programmer at Perkin Elmer, where she worked for 14 years, providing technical support to all major departments including engineering, manufacturing, accounting and human resources.

After retiring, she and Bruce spent winters in Sanibel, FL and visited countries all over the world. Indulging her adventurous spirit, she sailed around the tip of Africa, ziplined through the rainforest, swam with the dolphins, climbed the Sydney Harbor Bridge and went white water rafting. As an adult, Jeanette learned to sail; on their sailboat, Jeanette was the Captain and Bruce was her first mate.

Jeanette delighted in her grandchildren. When they were young, she would read, bake, and play with them. She taught them to do headstands and slid with them down water slides of all shapes and sizes. They visited museums, swam with manatees, and played keep away in the waves. She and Bruce had the opportunity to take each grandchild on their own trip to a national park out west, developing a special relationship with each of them. Jeanette's love for her grandchildren was unconditional; her pride in the young adults they've become was immeasurable.

Through years of playing bridge, mahjong and reading books, she developed deep and lasting friendships. She was always there if someone needed help, whether to hang wallpaper, care for a sick child or volunteer at Plummer Youth Promise or The House of the Seven Gables. Long before the internet was available for genealogical research, she spent hours in the library and travelling to learn about her family history. She was a proud member of both the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Mayflower Society.

Jeanette is survived by her best friend, confidant, partner-in-everything, and adoring husband of 60 years, Bruce McLaughlin of Salem. Jeanette was Bruce's true North. She also leaves behind her three devoted children and their families: Scott and his daughter Madeleine of Beverly; Nicole, her husband Ben Waxman, and their children Lillian and Nora of Salem; and Kara, her husband John Keenan, and their children, Aidan and Erin of Salem. Also surviving her are her siblings, Leonard Garfield (Mary Ann), Dixie Kulik (Thaddeus), and James Garfield (Pamela), as well as their children and grandchildren.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect in memory of Jeannette McLaughlin, at eleven minutes past twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to

meet again on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.
