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Thursday, November 4, 2021.

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

Reports of a Committee.

By Ms. Moran, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on Senate, No. 192 and 211 and House, Nos. 366 and 416, a Bill to provide increased access to hearing aids (Senate, No. 211);

Referred, under Joint Rule 1E, to the committee on Health Care Financing.

By Ms. Moran, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition, a Resolve relative to disclosure of radio frequencies (Senate, No. 186); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill prohibiting inhumane feline declawing (Senate, No. 222);

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

By Ms. Moran, for the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 246), a Bill relative to liquor licenses in the city of Westfield (Senate, No. 2566);

Read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following petition, having been timely filed by 5 o’clock P.M. on February 19, 2021, was referred in concurrence as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4236) of Liz Miranda and others for legislation to provide for an audit and an investigation by a special commission concerning gun violence prevention and intervention funding;

To the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4235) of Joan Meschino and Patrick M. O’Connor (by vote of the town) that the town of Hull be authorized to grant up to 5 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

A report of the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill,
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House, No. 4021) of Dylan A. Fernandes relative to indigenous representation on the Martha’s Vineyard Commission,—and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government,—was considered forthwith, under Senate Rule 36, and accepted, in concurrence.

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Lovely) “congratulating Jonathan Rutkowski on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout”; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) “congratulating Nancy C. Hyde on the occasion of her retirement from the Select Board in the town of Westwood.”

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bill.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Clinton to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see House, No. 3896) (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. Collins) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Collins), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection in memory of Edward J. “Chip” Clancy, Jr.

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.

Adjournment in Memory of Edward J. “Chip” Clancy Jr.

The Senator from Essex, Mr. Crighton, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory of former State Representative, State Senator, and Lynn Mayor Edward J. “Chip” Clancy Jr., who passed away on June 6, 2021 at the age of 70. He is survived by his wife Linda J. (Delford) Ryan-Clancy; his stepchildren Sean Mills and his fiancé Vanessa Carr and Daniel Ryan and his wife Shannon of Woburn; his grandchildren, Kaleigh, Jameson, Mason and Kensie; his sister-in-law Marjorie “Margie” Clancy of Lynn; his many loving nieces and nephews including Kevin and Michael Clancy, and Colleen Bransfield. Clancy leaves behind an enduring legacy of public service and selfless commitment to the City of Lynn.

The son of the late Edward J. “Nipper” and Claire M. Clancy, Clancy was born and raised in Lynn and dedicated his life to public service, and state and local politics. His father was a local politician, serving as Lynn’s assessor, and was also a prominent local high school baseball coach. As a child, Clancy attended school in Lynn and graduated from St. Mary High School. In 1972, he received his Bachelor’s Degree from Providence College and in 1975, he graduated with his Juris Doctorate from Suffolk Law School. After
being admitted to the Massachusetts Bar on December 15, 1975, Clancy established his own law practice on Franklin Street in Lynn.

Clancy’s political career began with his election to the Lynn City Council in 1978, where he served from 1978-1981. In 1984, he was elected as a City Councilor at large and served on the City Council through 1991. Looking to represent Lynn’s interests in state government, Clancy then ran for the Massachusetts House of Representatives, winning a seat representing the 11th Essex District. Four years later, in 1995, he was elected to the State Senate, representing the 1st Essex District. He spent over a decade representing the people of Lynn on Beacon Hill.

In 2002, he became the city’s 55th Mayor, and its first elected to a four-year term. As Mayor, he led the city through the tumultuous years post 9/11, with tenacity and an unswerving commitment to doing what was right for Lynn. As Mayor, Clancy oversaw construction of the new Manning Field, a modern sports facility where the previous Manning Bowl had stood, and guided the city through a period of economic challenges and transitions. Although his passion for politics propelled him forward in his career, it was his devotion to the city and its people, evident through his dedication to constituent services, that set Clancy apart. He truly loved being able to help his neighbors and committed each day to doing so.

Additionally, Clancy’s legacy includes the establishment of The Nipper Clancy Tournament in 1982, honoring his father’s contributions as baseball coach for the Connery and St. Mary’s High School. His father, “Nipper,” coached the late Red Sox player Tony Conigliaro, among others, and cultivated a strong community within baseball across the Greater Lynn area. Each year, scholarships are awarded through the tournament to students who compete.

Chip Clancy will be remembered as a great public servant, who represented his community for over thirty years. His abiding love for Lynn and its people will never be forgotten.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Edward J. “Chip” Clancy Jr., at a half past eleven o’clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet again on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.