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Thursday, December 2, 2021.

Met at six minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Mr. Lewis in the Chair).

The Chair (Mr. Lewis), 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:

Communication from MassDevelopment submitting its fiscal year 2021 annual report for Devens (received December 1, 2021); and

Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to its plan of correction for the Bridgewater State Hospital inspection on October 28 and 29, 2021 (received November 30, 2021).

MassDev,-- Devens report. SD2858 DPH,-- plan of correction. SD2859

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:

Report of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (pursuant to Section 18Y of Chapter 6A of the General Laws) submitting its second annual Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit (SAECK) Summary Report (received October 28, 2021);

Report of the Department of Public Utilities (pursuant to Section 12Q of Chapter 25 of the General Laws) submitting its report on financial activities concerning the Energy Facilities Siting Board Trust Fund from November 25, 2020 through October 12, 2021 (received November 30, 2021); and

Report of the Department of Public Utilities (pursuant to Section 12R of Chapter 25 of the General Laws) submitting its report on financial activities concerning the Unified Carrier Registration Trust Fund from November 25, 2020 through October 12, 2021 (received November 30, 2021).

EOPSS,-- SAECK report. SD2855

DPU,-- EFSB trust report. SD2856

DPU,-- UCR trust report. SD2857

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Comerford, for the committee on Public Health, on petition, a Bill relative to HIV prevention access for young adults (Senate, No. 1404); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1409), a Bill regarding the pediatric palliative care program (Senate No. 2590);

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

HIV prevention,--access.

Palliative care,--pediatrics.

By Ms. Comerford, for the committee on Public Health, on Senate, No. 1382 and House, No. 2268, a Bill for healthy and green public schools (Senate, No. 1382);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1445 and House, No. 2354, a Bill to increase access to disposable menstrual products in prisons, homeless shelters, and public schools (Senate, No. 1445); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1522 and House, No. 2322, a Bill regulating central service technicians (Senate, No. 1522);

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

Public schools,-healthy and green.

Menstrual products,--access.

Central service technicians.

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and Means.

By Mr. Velis, for the committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs, on the message from His Excellency the Governor, a Bill relative to establishing the Massachusetts Medal of Fidelity (printed in Senate, No. 2462);

Medal of Fidelity.

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

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4267) of Brian W. Murray (by vote of the town) that the town of Milford be authorized to grant an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises,-- was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Milford,-- liquor license.

A Bill establishing memorial markers in the towns of Milton and Canton in memory of certain law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty (House, No. 887,-- on petition),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

Milton and Canton,--memorial markers.

Bills

Relative to the design, development, construction and operation of a senior low-income and affordable housing project located at 144 Greenmont Avenue in the town of Dracut (House, No. 3722, amended,-- on petition) [Local approval received];

Dracut,-- senior affordable housing.

Authorizing certain investments by the treasurer of the town of Groton (House, No. 3909,-- on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Groton,-- investments.

Establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Dunstable (House, No. 4101,-- on petition) [Local approval received];

Dunstable,-- town clerk.

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

Resolutions

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

considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:-Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) "congratulating Daniel Li on his elevation to the rank

Daniel Li.

of Eagle Scout";
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) "congratulating Jeffrey Parla on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout";

Jeffrey Parla.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) "congratulating Samkyu Yaffe on his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout": and

Samkyu Yaffe.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush) "commending John Regan for 25 years of service to the Commonwealth."

John Regan.

Report of Committees.

By Ms. Lovely, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the Senate petition of Joanne M. Comerford and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to allow municipalities to reasonably regulate solar siting;

Municipalities,--solar siting. SD2846

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. O'Connor, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied bill) was referred to the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

Matter Taken Out of the Orders of the Day.

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

The House Bill providing for the appointment of a treasurer/collector in the town of Rehoboth (House, No. 3970),-- was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to read as follows: "An Act providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Rehoboth."

Rehoboth,-treasurer-collector.

Moment of Silence.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Lewis), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection in memory of Kevin J. Hannon.

Moment of silence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'Connor,--

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

Time of meeting.

Adjournment in Memory of Kevin J. Hannon.

The Senator from Norfolk and Plymouth, Mr. Keenan, presented a request that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Kevin J. Hannon.

Kevin J. Hannon of Quincy died suddenly on November 1, 2021, at the age of 60, surrounded by his loving family.

Coming from a humble upbringing on a Galway farm, Kevin learned his skills in the trades through working with his father John Hannon. A man known to be larger than life both physically and charismatically, Kevin loved playing Rugby and Gaelic football where he excelled on the field. Kevin made an everlasting impression with his strong handshake, dimpled smile, quick wit and contagious laugh, endearing him to friends all over the world. With a strong appreciation for labor and family values, Kevin came to the U.S. in 1988 with his wife Brenda where they continued to work hard and built lasting friendships. They settled in Quincy, raising their family in the Merrymount neighborhood. His legacy of hard work will continue to live on through the countless monuments that can be seen throughout the City of Quincy, built by Kevin as a city employee. Kevin was always happiest around his wife, four children, working alongside his peers, and having the craic with everybody he knew. A life far too short in years, his will be long remembered, from Merrymount, throughout Quincy, and to Ireland and beyond, as a life rich with love and friendship.

Kevin was the beloved husband of Brenda M. (Madden) Hannon, from Tipperary and of Quincy, and the proud and loving father of Emily, Sean Patrick, Matthew, and Caroline Hannon, all of Quincy. He was the cherished brother of Pauline O'Malley of Loughrea, Galway, Marie Summerville of Oranmore, Galway, Frank of Clontuskert, Galway, Thomas of Aughrim, Galway, Tony of Dunshaughlin, Meath, Eithne Smyth of Malahide, Dublin, and the late Sean Hannon of Perth, Western Australia. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and dear friends from the US, Ireland, and around the world.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Kevin J. Hannon, at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. O'Connor, the Senate adjourned to meet again tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

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