Thursday, January 6, 2022.

Met at thirteen minutes past eleven o’clock A.M. (Ms. Lovely in the Chair).

The Chair (Ms. Lovely), members, guests and staff then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Communications.

The following communications were severally received and placed on file, to wit:
Communication from His Excellency the Governor relative to the appointment of Paula P. Renkas and Michael S. Creasey (pursuant to Section 132 (a) of Chapter 24 of the General Laws) to the Special Commission to Investigate and Study the Promotion and Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the American Revolution (received January 5, 2022); and
Communication from the Department of Public Health relative to its plan of correction for the Dukes County Jail and House of Correction inspection on December 16, 2021 (received January 5, 2022).

Reports.

The following reports were severally received and placed on file, to wit:
Report of the Office of the Attorney General (pursuant to Section 35(c) of Chapter 12 of the General Laws) submitting its 2021 Student Loan Ombudsman interim report covering the period between July 1, 2021 and December 15, 2021 (received January 4, 2022); and
Report of the Department of Public Health (pursuant to Sections 5, 20 and 21 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws) relative to inspection of Bridgewater Complex Food Service (received January 5, 2022).

Petition.

Ms. DiZoglio (by request) presented a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Donald Jarvis for legislation to concern an exemption from payment of municipal parking meter fees by Purple Heart recipients,-- and the same was referred, under Senate Rule 20, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill enhancing the market review process (House, No. 4262,-- on Senate, Nos. 778 and 812 and House, Nos. 1247, 1253, 1259, 1260, 1262, 1275, 1282, 1285 and 1294),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill further regulating storage of alcoholic beverages (House, No. 338,-- on House, No. 344),-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Rules.

A Bill creating select board/town manager form of government in the town of
Wayland (House, No. 4315,-- on House, No. 4087) [Local approval received on House, No. 4087],-- was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

Message from His Excellency the Governor (pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 8, Paragraph 1, Clause (2) of the Amendments to the Constitution, as appearing in Article LXXXIX of said Amendments) recommending legislation relative to the 2022 annual town meeting for the town of Tisbury (Senate, No. 2611) (received in the office of the Clerk of the Senate on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at twenty minutes before twelve o’clock noon);

The message was read; and, under Senate Rule 20, with the accompanying bill, was referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Sent to the House for concurrence.

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 House Bill authorizing the disbursement of funds held by the town of Westford (House, No. 3724),-- was read a second time, ordered to a third reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a cell tower receipts special account for the town of North Reading (House, No. 4020),-- was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reports 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 Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation relative to hospital grade breast pumps;

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied bill) was referred to the committee on Financial Services.

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 Edward J. Kennedy for legislation relative to education and critically low staffing levels in schools;

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service.

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 Cynthia Stone Creem and Alice Hanlon Peisch for legislation to support municipal light plants;

Senate Rule 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, 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.

Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Moment of Silence.
At the request of the Chair (Ms. Lovely), the members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of Bruce E. Goddard.

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 Bruce E. Goddard.

The Senator from Essex, Ms. Lovely, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn in memory of Bruce E. Goddard. Bruce Eric Goddard of Salem, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully in hospice care on November 18, 2021. Bruce leaves his beloved husband and partner of 50 years, John Casey. They formally married on September 1, 2004. Bruce is also survived by his many, many friends who loved him dearly.

Bruce was born on March 25, 1947 in Zanesville, Ohio to Helen and Samuel Goddard who have predeceased him. He is also predeceased by his older brother Roger. Bruce attended Ohio State University.

Bruce met John Casey while on vacation in Provincetown and they immediately became inseparable. Bruce soon relocated to Salem to begin his life with John.

Bruce was a talented interior designer. He worked for many years for Brewster Wallcovering, handling major hotel and design accounts throughout the country. In 1981, he and John founded Salem Interiors, a premier design firm, serving corporate and residential clients worldwide. Bruce’s eye for detail, especially color, was second to none. He was active in design projects until his recent illness. His death from glioblastoma came barely 12 weeks from diagnosis.

Bruce was an Overseer at the Peabody Essex Museum, Vice President of the Board at the House of the Seven Gables, and a long-term active member of Historic Salem and Chestnut Street Associates.

Bruce was a gentle soul, known for his kindness, compassion and generosity. His friends could count on him for unconditional love and support. He and John had a blessed life together in their beautiful home and garden. We can honor Bruce’s memory by being kind to each other.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of Bruce E. Goddard, at nineteen minutes 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.