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Met at twenty-two 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.

Pledge of allegiance.

Report.

Report of the Division of Green Communities (pursuant to Section 10(f) of Chapter 25A of the General Laws) submitting its 2021 annual report (received June 9, 2022),-- was placed on file.

GCD,-- annual report. SD3192

Petitions.

Petitions were severally presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2935) of Bruce E. Tarr, Lenny Mirra and Tram T. Nguyen (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Boxford to establish the Boxford small repair grants trust [Local approval received]; and

Boxford,-- grant program.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2936) of Bruce E. Tarr, David Allen Robertson and Kenneth I. Gordon (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to changing the term board of selectmen to Select Board in the town of Wilmington [Local approval received];

Wilmington,-- select board.

Severally, under Senate Rule 20, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Severally sent to the House for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rodrigues, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to financing the general governmental infrastructure of the Commonwealth (House, No. 4807),-- ought to pass, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 2926.

Governmental infrastructure,-- financing.

Pursuant to an order previously adopted, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for Thursday, June 16, 2022 for a second reading with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Feeney, for the committee on Financial Services, on Senate, Nos. 711 and 712, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Financial Services to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to auto matters (Senate, No. 2930);

Financial Services committee,-- study.

By Mr. Cronin, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on Senate, No. 2594, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Municipalities and Regional Government to make an investigation and study of a certain current Senate document relative to local opt-in for permanent outdoor dining (Senate, No. 2932); and

Municipalities and Regional Government committee,-- study.

By Mr. Pacheco, for the committee on State Administration and Regulatory

State Administration

Oversight, on Senate, Nos. 2065 and 2079, an Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to state administration and regulatory oversight matters (Senate, No. 2931);

and Regulatory Oversight committee,-- study.

Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

By Mr. Cyr, for the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, on petition, a Bill to provide more timely treatment of inpatient mental health care (Senate, No. 1284); and

Mental health,-- treatment.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on petition, a Bill ensuring access to addiction services (Senate, No. 1285);

Addiction services,-- access.

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

By Ms. Friedman, for the committee on Health Care Financing, that the House Bills Establishing a commission to study the Commonwealth’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic (House, No. 4670) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

COVID-19,-- commission.

Establishing the Coronavirus Recovery Corps (House, No. 4671) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000]; and

Coronavirus Recovery Corps.

For a Better Prepared Massachusetts (House, No. 4714) [Estimated cost: greater than \$100,000];

Better prepared MA.

Severally ought to pass.

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

By Mr. Timilty, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on petition, a Bill to improve public health and safety standards in communities around aging nuclear power plants and high-level nuclear waste dump sites (Senate, No. 2619);

Nuclear waste,-- public safety.

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

By Mr. Brady, for the committee on Public Service, on petition, a Bill relative to the maximum age requirement for police officers for the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 2870) [Local approval received];

Taunton,-- police officers.

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

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill changing the number of members of the Insurance Advisory Committee for the town of Milford (House, No. 4275,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- **was read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

Milford,-- Insurance Advisory Committee.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk by Mr. Lesser) were considered forthwith, as follows:-

Resolutions “designating August 13th and 14th, 2022 as the sales tax holiday weekend in the month of August.”

Sales tax holiday.

After remarks, the resolutions (Senate, No. 2934) were adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Engrossed Bills.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the Acting President (Mr. Collins) and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:

Authorizing the town of Berkley to grant 1 additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises (see Senate, No. 2788);

Bills laid before the Governor.

Establishing a sick leave bank for Dr. Heidi Tarr Henson, an employee of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (see Senate, No. 2863);

Establishing a sick leave bank for Jacquelyne Foley, an employee of the department of early education and care (see Senate, No. 2884); and

Authorizing the town of Deerfield to continue the employment of police officer Gary Sibilila (see House, No. 3988, amended).

Resolutions.

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

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Eldridge) “congratulating the National Black McDonald’s Operators Association on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary”; and

Black McDonald’s Operators Assoc.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Gobi) “congratulating the town of Rutland on the occasion of its tercentennial anniversary.”

Town of Rutland.

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 exchange of certain parcels of land between the town of Nantucket and the Nantucket Islands land bank (House, No. 4360) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Nantucket,-- land exchange.

The House Bill amending the charter of the town of Medway to change the name of the board of selectmen to select board (House, No. 4259) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Medway,-- board of selectmen.

The House Bill amending the charter of the city of Easthampton (House, No. 3981),-- **was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.**

Easthampton,-- charter.

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Orders.

The following House Orders (severally approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) were considered as follows:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security be granted until Friday, June 24, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current House documents numbered 2213, 2426, 2439, 2440, 2448, 2470, 2480, 2489, 2491, 2504, 2508, 2519, 2532, 2535, 2541, 3821, 3847, 4038 and 4080.

Public Safety and Homeland Security,-- extension order.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4801) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security be granted until Friday, June 24, 2022 within which time to make its final report on current House document numbered 2418.

Id.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and, after remarks, the order (House, No. 4836) was considered forthwith; and adopted, in concurrence.

A 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 (House, No. 4669,-- on petition) [Local approval received],-- was read.

Clinton,-- liquor license.

There being no objection, the rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Tarr, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Moment of Silence.

The Chair (Mr. Collins), members, guests and staff stood in a moment of silence and reflection to the memory of David Greenwood.

Moment of silence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Tarr,--

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M. in a full formal session with a calendar.

Time of meeting.

Adjournment in Memory of David Greenwood.

The Senator from Worcester and Norfolk, Mr. Fattman, moved that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in memory of David Greenwood, who passed away Saturday, June 10, 2017.

David worked in the Kitchen Cabinet Industry over 20 years. Most recently he served as the Regional Sales Manager for Kith Kitchens Inc. of Alabama. A 1981 graduate of Northbridge High School where he played baseball, basketball, and football, he also graduated from Salem State College. He loved to golf, enjoyed fishing, reading and an occasional glass of scotch. He enjoyed history, was very patriotic and loved his New England sports teams. He was a member of St. Gabriel's Church. Most important to David, however, was keeping connections and spending time with his family and friends.

David passed away at the age of 54 years old, where he suffered from sudden cardiac arrest after returning home from a bike ride. Cardiac arrest, which occurs when a heart suddenly stops, is different from a heart attack, where blood is prevented from reaching certain parts of the heart. In the small, rural town where David lived, the first responder on the scene was not able to provide the care that was needed through an automatic external defibrillator (AED). In those quickly passing seconds, every second was crucial.

The legacy of David's passing continues to influence the communities that surround him, which serves as a testament to the way in which he led his life. The Greenwood family established a non-profit, six10.org, the namesake of the day of David's passing – June 10th, which serves to equip police department cruisers with AEDs throughout the Commonwealth. These investments in local police departments honor David by preventing the same tragedy that his family experienced.

Accordingly, as a mark of respect to the memory of David Greenwood, at fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Tarr, the Senate adjourned to meet

again on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.
