

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Journal of the Senate

JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the Second day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eighteen.

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Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Third Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:27 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Doyle.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Ciccone, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Ciccone, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Second Legislative Day of the 2018 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ciccone and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Cote and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President of the Senate, welcomes to the Chamber Abigail Sheehan, daughter of Senator Sheehan.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

January 9, 2018

The Honorable Senate

State House

Providence, Rhode Island

To the Honorable, the Senate:

For personal reasons, I hereby resign the office of the Senator in General Assembly effective as of today's date.

Sincerely,

James E. Doyle II

Senator – District 8

Read and placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 2004

BY Sosnowski

**ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF F. NORRIS PIKE
{LC3178/1}**

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Sosnowski requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Metts moves passage, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Crowley, Nesselbush, Conley, Metts, Gee, Archambault, Coyne, DiPalma.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Nesselbush Thanks everyone for wearing black and supporting the “me too” campaign.

Senator Miller announces that the R.I. Nurse Anesthetist Association will meet tomorrow at 5:00pm at the Marriot Providence.

Senator Felag Announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today at the rise of the Senate in room 313.

Senator McCaffrey wishes Senator Fogarty a Happy Birthday, which occurred yesterday.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Secretary’s desk are ordered to be transmitted to Her Excellency, the Governor, the Honorable Secretary of State or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senator McCaffrey and upon the suggestion of Senator Sosnowski the Senate adjourns in memory of F. Norris Pike at 4:38 o’clock P.M.

ROBERT L. RICCI
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR FRANK A. CICCONE, III

Almighty God, bless those who serve in this Senate. Inspire us with your truth, surround us with your love, and fill us with your grace. Amen.