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**JOURNAL**  
**-OF THE-**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**JANUARY SESSION** of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the sixth day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

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Sixteenth Day

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The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, February 24, 2015 and is called to order at 4:17 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 73 members present and 2 members absent as follows:

**PRESENT** - 73: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lally, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield

**ABSENT** – 2: Representatives Barros, Ucci.

**INVOCATION**

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Jacquard who delivers the Invocation and leads the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

**APPROVAL OF RECORD**

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Thursday February 12, 2015 is approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Jean Philippe Barros is unable to attend session this week Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> thru Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Representative Stephen Ucci will be unable to attend House session on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 and Wednesday, February 25, 2015.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****TRANSFER OF BILLS**

**Representative Keable, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Finance:**

**House Bill No. 5456**

(Attorney General)

**BY** Craven, Morin, Marshall, Amore, Costa

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND NOTIFICATION (Implements the federal Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) (Title I of Public Law 109-248).) {LC1016/1}

02/17/2015 Committee transferred to House Finance

**Representative Keable, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Corporations:**

**House Bill No. 5262**

**BY** Winfield, Casey, Costantino, Hull, Morin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY (Authorizes state fire marshals to prohibit public adjusters from physical presence on and solicitation or inspection of the premises under investigation until twenty-four (24) hours after control of the premises is released to its owner or occupant.) {LC805/1}

02/18/2015 Committee transferred to House Corporations

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measure:

**Senate Bill No. 22**

**BY** Paiva Weed

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO PURCHASE 138 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE IN SAID TOWN AND TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE AND RENOVATION THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR {LC293/1}

02/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (02/25/2015)

**CALENDAR**

From the Calendar are taken:

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015:****1. 2015-H 5199****BY** Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - THE RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends passage.

Representative Handy moves passage of the act, seconded by Representative Ruggiero.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lally, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**2. 2015-H 5129****BY** Costa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Representative Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representative Costa.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela,

Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lally, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**3. 2015-H 5041**

**BY** Serpa

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF COVENTRY

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Representative Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Serpa and Leader DeSimone.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lally, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Naughton, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Palangio, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Representative Diaz welcomes to the House Chamber her intern, Melody Song (Rhode Island College Class of 2015-Health Care Administration Major).

**GUESTS**

Representative Reilly welcomes to the House as guests Alex Stowe, Eagle Scout from Troop 1 in Portsmouth, along with his parents, Amy Stowe and Christopher Stowe.

**NEW BUSINESS****House Resolution No. 5524****BY** Reilly, Edwards**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING ALEX STOWE TROOP 1, PORTSMOUTH, UPON ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S MOST DISTINGUISHED HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT {LC1837/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Reilly requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Reilly seconded by Representatives Edwards, Costa, Phillips, Price, Abney, Giarrusso, Marshall, Casey, Solomon, Kazarian, and Canario by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Keable announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

Representative Kennedy announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**NEW BUSINESS****House Resolution No. 5525****BY** DeSimone, Newberry**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC1826/1}

Leader DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader DeSimone seconded by Leader Newberry by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Resolution No. 5526****BY** DeSimone, Newberry**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONDOLENCES {LC1827/1}

Leader DeSimone requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Leader DeSimone seconded by Leader Newberry by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

**House Resolution No. 5527**

**BY** Edwards, Canario, Hearn

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING AND THANKING KATHRYN E. RYAN FOR HER MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE WITH THE FRIENDS OF TIVERTON LIBRARIES BOARD {LC1805/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Edwards requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Edwards seconded by Representatives Canario and Hearn by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

**House Resolution No. 5528**

**BY** Casey, Morin, Ajello, Jacquard, Nardolillo

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF CENTRAL COVENTRY FIRE CHIEF ANDREW J. BAYNES (RET.) {LC1862/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Casey requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Casey seconded by Representatives Morin, Ajello, Jacquard, Nardolillo, Roberts, Keable, Johnston, Solomon, McNamara, Messier, Corvese, Phillips, Amore, Serpa, Fellela, Reilly, Shekarchi, and Ruggiero by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Slater wishes a happy belated birthday to Representative Grace Diaz on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

Representative Phillips wishes his wife, Nancy a happy belated birthday, yesterday.

Deputy Speaker Lima wishes a happy belated birthday to Speaker Pro Tempore, Donald Lally on Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Representative Maldonado congratulates Carlene Fonseca and Kenneth Vaudreuil on being newly elected to the Central Falls City Council.

Representative Marcello wishes a Happy “45<sup>th</sup>” Birthday to Joy Hearn on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Representative Williams addresses the House in recognition of Black History Month.

### TRANSMITTAL

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

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

Representative Kennedy, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 5312**

**BY** Maldonado, McLaughlin, Fogarty, Tobon, Regunberg

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts the premises at 721-723 Broad Street; Central Falls (Assessor's Plat 1, lot 164) from the restrictions regarding the proximity of a liquor license to a church or school.) {LC532/1} 02/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Resolution No. 142**

**BY** Picard, Crowley, Cote, Lombardo

**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND TAIWAN, ENHANCING BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND SUPPORTING TAIWAN IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY {LC673/1}

02/24/2015 Placed on House Calendar (02/26/2015)

#### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Representative Keable, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 5420**

**BY** Slater

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allow John A.

Murphy, Esq. to join Joseph L. Gadreault III and Jan Carlos Estrella in marriage on or about September 6, 2015, within the City of Cranston, Rhode Island.) {LC1333/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**House Bill No. 5421**

**BY** Price

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Frank Bellistri to join Ashley Lynn Choquette and Kevin James Wright in marriage on or about June 20, 2015, within the Town of Richmond, Rhode Island.) {LC1330/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 52**

**BY** Nesselbush

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Michael John McCarthy to join Kathleen Elizabeth Enright and Brian Scott Pardini in marriage on or about August 22, 2015, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC302/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 60**

**BY** Ottiano

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Stephen Carl Bailey to join Abigail Rachel Bailey and Michael Joseph Parker in marriage on or about August 10, 2015, within the Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island.) {LC258/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 61**

**BY** Algieri

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Donato T. DiGenova to join Kayla Rose Mineau and David Daniel Kurtz in marriage on or about August 15, 2015, within the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island.) {LC313/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 128**

**BY** Sheehan, Gee

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Thorr D. Bjorn to join Jeffrey A. Cammans and Courtney F. Findlen in marriage on or about May 23, 2015, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC614/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 131**

**BY** Archambault

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Steven M. Bailey to join Eric P. Anderson and Brandi S. Layfield in marriage on or about March 5, 2015, within the Town of Smithfield, Rhode Island.) {LC485/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)



**Senate Bill No. 176****BY** Goodwin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Rene Perreault, Jr., to join Keri Lyn Evans and Michael Alex Camera in marriage on or about May 1, 2015, within the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC249/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**Senate Bill No. 292****BY** DaPonte

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Carol Ann Conboy to join Jason M. Andrew and Gina A. Bencivenga in marriage on or about March 7, 2015, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.) {LC1299/1}  
02/24/2015 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (02/26/2015)

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:49 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Casey , and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Kathryn Ryan; on motion of Representative Edwards, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Amelia V.Camara; on motion of Representatives Morin and Casey and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Fire Chief Andrew Baynes, (RET); on motion of Representative Giarrusso, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Norman Saucier seconded by Leaders DeSimone and Newberry the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

**Linda M. McElroy**  
Recording Clerk

**APPENDIX**

**INVOCATION**

**REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT B. JACQUARD**

Dear Lord: We thank you for giving us the privilege of serving our citizens. May our ears and hearts always be open to hear and feel the hopes and needs of those we represent. Amen.

**APPENDIX**

**CALENDAR**

**IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2015:**

- 1. 2015-S 22**  
**BY** Paiva Weed  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO PURCHASE 138 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE IN SAID TOWN AND TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE AND RENOVATION THEREOF BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,500,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015:**

- 1. 2015-H 5312**  
**BY** Maldonado  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

- 2. 2015-S 142**  
**BY** Picard  
**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND TAIWAN, ENHANCING BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS, AND SUPPORTING TAIWAN IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Tuesday, February 24, 2015**

## APPENDIX

## CONSENT CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015:

1.     **2015-H 5420**  
      **BY Slater**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
2.     **2015-H 5421**  
      **BY Price**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
3.     **2015-S 52**  
      **BY Nesselbush**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
4.     **2015-S 60**  
      **BY Ottiano**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
5.     **2015-S 61**  
      **BY Algieri**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
6.     **2015-S 128**  
      **BY Sheehan**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**  
  
      Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
7.     **2015-S 131**  
      **BY Archambault**  
      **ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

8. **2015-S 176**  
**BY** Goodwin  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

9. **2015-S 292**  
**BY** DaPonte  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Tuesday, February 24, 2015**