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Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Thirty-eighth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Wednesday, April 15, 2015 and is called to order at 4:25 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 69 members present and 5 members absent as follows:

PRESENT - 69: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield

ABSENT – 5: Representatives Almeida, Coughlin, Naughton, Palangio, Ucci.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Ackerman 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 Tuesday, April 14, 2015 is approved.

RULE 7D**The following bills were announced pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Blazejewski-An Act relating to State Affairs & Government-Health & Safety

Representative Carson-An Act relating to State Emblems

Representative Filippi-An Act relating to Criminal Procedure

Representative Keable-An Act relating to Medical Marijuana

Representative Maldonado -An Act relating to Taxation for Small Business

Representative McKiernan-An Act relating to Public Property & Works-State Purchases

Representative Morgan-An Act relating to Contraband

Representative Morgan-An Act relating to the Convention Center

Representative Naughton-An Act relating to Agriculture & Forestry-Right to Farm

Representative Naughton-An Act relating to RI Livable Homes

Representative Serpa-An Act relating to the Permanent Joint Committee on Small Business

Representative Trillo-An Act relating to Financial Institutions

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

Senate Bill No. 190

(by request)

BY Ottiano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE (Sets aside the twenty-fifth day of September annually to be known as Ataxia Awareness Day.) {LC709/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House H.E.W.

Senate Bill No. 258

BY Archambault, Lombardi, DiPalma, Ciccone, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Allows police/animal control officer to hold animal up to 72 hours pending court hearing as to costs, fees, charges, surrender of ownership.) {LC1033/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House H.E.W.

Senate Bill No. 342**BY** Morgan, Goodwin, Kettle, Nesselbush, Ottiano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY -- PANDERING (Would expand the definition of pandering to include the person in control of the premises where prostitution occurs.) {LC566/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 574**BY** McCaffrey, Lynch**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - POST CONVICTION REMEDY (This act would remove the requirement that a person convicted of and sentenced for a crime be presently serving an initial term of imprisonment prior to requesting forensic DNA testing.) {LC115/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 627**BY** Lynch, Nesselbush, Lombardi, Archambault, Conley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- THREATS AND EXTORTION (Adds court magistrates to the list of covered public officials that are protected from felonious threats.) {LC1284/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 665**BY** Morgan**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.) {LC2051/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 666**BY** Gee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Janet Callahan to join Andrea Mosher and Jason Perron in marriage on or about May 30, 2015, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2108/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 717**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Daniel Baker to join Robert Seymour and Diane Grailich in marriage on or about October 17, 2015, within the Town of Middletown, Rhode Island.) {LC2090/1}

04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 742**BY** Walaska, Lynch, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Diana E. Pearson, Esq., to join Karen Holt Fletcher and Roger Alan Trudell in marriage on or about July 11, 2015, within the Town of Foster, Rhode Island.) {LC2241/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 757**BY** Lombardi, McCaffrey, Conley, Archambault, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS (Increases awardable attorneys' fees from \$125 to \$150 per hour with an annual increase thereafter based on the Consumer Price Index.) {LC2249/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 758**BY** Ottiano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Norman Rogers, Esq., to join Charles B. Payne and Rebecca Choi in marriage on or about October 9, 2015, within the Town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island.) {LC2268/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 764

(Attorney General)

BY Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Lombardi, Lynch, Conley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Increases the imprisonment penalty for a malicious injury or killing of an animal from 2 to 5 years. Also, imposes an additional assessment if it can be proven that the convicted person is found to have committed said offense in the presence of a child.) {LC1042/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 793**BY** Sheehan, Satchell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Raymond Picerne Pariseault, Esq., to join Steven Soderlund and Audrey DiRaimo in marriage on or about June 7, 2015, within the Town of West Warwick, Rhode Island.) {LC2339/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 796

(EMA)

BY Ciccone, DiPalma, Satchell, Kettle, DaPonte

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Makes technical amendment to the general laws to reflect changes to the structure of the emergency management agency and would change the title of the executive director to "director.") {LC1758/1}
04/15/2015 Referred to House Veterans Affairs

NEW BUSINESS**House Bill No. 6070****BY** Azzinaro, Kennedy, Carson, Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT (Increases the town of Westerly's share of the hotel tax revenue generated by hotels located in the town of Westerly from twenty-five percent (25%) to thirty-two percent (32%).) {LC2426/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6071**BY** Gallison, Edwards, Serpa, Marshall, Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES-SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES (Makes available special motor vehicle registration plates for the Salt Water Anglers Association.) {LC2418/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6072**BY** Maldonado, Keable, Regunberg, Fogarty, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - POST CONVICTION REMEDY (Removes the requirement that a person convicted of and sentenced for a crime be presently serving an initial term of imprisonment prior to requesting forensic DNA testing.) {LC2384/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6073**BY** Canario, Edwards, Johnston, Hull, Almeida**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES (Increases the maximum penalties for driving while intoxicated, death resulting, to life imprisonment.) {LC2419/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6074**BY** Ajello, Regunberg, Williams, Tanzi, Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS (Criminalizes the manufacture, import, possession, purchase, sale or transfer of any ammunition feeding device capable of accepting more than ten (10) rounds.) {LC2359/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6075**BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - AUTOMATED TRAFFIC SPEED ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM (Authorizes the department of transportation as well as municipalities to operate automated school zone speed enforcement systems.) {LC2383/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6076**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows James E. O'Neil, Esq., to join Julia Surdut and Nicholas Young in marriage on or about June 6, 2015, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.) {LC2480/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6077**BY** Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Lisabeth Cerullo to join Jennifer Allin and Jeffrey Kaprielian in marriage on or about June 26, 2015, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.) {LC2469/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6078**BY** Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Lisabeth Cerullo to join Jennifer Allin and Jeffrey Kaprielian in marriage on or about June 26, 2015, within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island.) {LC2471/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6079**BY** O'Brien, Keable, Corvese, Hull, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Mitchell Mackenzie to join Monica Mackenzie-Vacca and Jay Stephen Lee in marriage on or about July 25, 2015, within the Town of Cumberland, Rhode Island.) {LC2468/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6080**BY** Edwards, Blazejewski, Shekarchi, Canario, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- PRIVATE EMPLOYER IRA PROGRAM (Establishes a private employer IRA program allowing employees to contribute at least three percent (3%) of their payroll period wages with oversight by the state department of labor and training and the state investment commission.) {LC2463/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Labor

House Bill No. 6081**BY** Kennedy, Price**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS (Requires business entities located in the town of Hopkinton to register with the town clerk, upon payment of a fee and the providing of certain information as determined by town ordinance.) {LC2475/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

House Bill No. 6082**BY** Filippi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - GENERAL POWERS

(Requires common carriers serving New Shoreham to pay landing fees monthly and provide town with monthly accounting and any reports provided to state/federal government.)

{LC2414/1}

04/15/2015 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015:**1. 2015-H 5920 SUB A****BY** Hearn**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES REPORTING

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Representative Keable moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Edwards, Solomon, Melo, Abney, Barros, Lancia, Chippendale, Johnston, Blazejewski, Messier, Casey, Slater, Bennett, Hull, Ajello, Hearn, Tanzi, Fogarty, Ackerman, O'Grady, Regunberg, Amore, Canario, Lombardi, Handy, Ruggiero, Carson, Morin, Craven, McKiernan, Shekarchi, Reilly, and Price.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 1: Representative Phillips.

RECUSED - 0:

- 2. 2015-H 6037**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TERN INN, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Representative Kennedy moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Shekarchi, Phillips, and O'Brien.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Grady, Phillips, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

- 3. 2015-H 5590 SUB A**
BY Tobon
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES

Committee on Labor recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Representative Shekarchi moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Melo, Barros, Abney, Casey, Maldonado, McKiernan, O'Brien, Bennett, Fellela, and Blazejewski.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 67 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 67: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady,

Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 1: Representative Costantino.

RECUSED - 0:

4. 2015-H 5246

BY Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - GENERAL STATE OFFICERS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Representative Keable moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Corvese, Bennett, Hull, Azzinaro, Phillips, Reilly, Kazarian, Johnston, Blazejewski, Maldonado, Fogarty, Amore, and Canario. .

Representatives Chippendale, Keable, Newberry, and Corvese discuss the act.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 57 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 57: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morin, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Phillips, Regunberg, Reilly, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 10: Representatives Chippendale, Costa, Giarrusso, MacBeth, Morgan, Nardolillo, Newberry, Price, Roberts, Trillo.

RECUSED - 0:

5. 2015-H 5942

BY Fellela

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs recommends passage.

Representative Malik moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Casey, Messier, Corvese, Azzinaro, Fellela, Solomon, Abney, and Reilly.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carnevale, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costa, Costantino, Craven, DeSimone, Diaz, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Gallison, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, MacBeth, Maldonado, Malik, Marcello, Marshall, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Melo, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Phillips, Price, Regunberg, Reilly, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Trillo, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

GUESTS

Representative Ackerman welcomes to the House Chamber as guests Marty Cooper, Community Relations Director for the Jewish Alliance of RI, Rabbi Franklin of Temple Emmanuel in Providence, and Dr. Bernd Wollschlaeger, an author and nationally recognized figure on the Holocaust.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Marshall wishes his daughter, Amanda Rose Marshall a Happy "12th" Birthday.

Representative Diaz announces that the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare will meet at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

Representative Lancia wishes his wife, Maryann Lancia, a very Happy Birthday.

Representative Phillips announces that the Committee on Small Business 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. 6083

BY Ackerman, Regunberg, Palangio, DeSimone, Amore
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING "HOLOCAUST
REMEMBRANCE DAY" ON APRIL 15, 2015 {LC2237/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ackerman seconded by Representatives Regunberg, Amore, DeSimone, O'Grady, Fogarty, Maldonado, Lombardi, Canario, Tanzi, Ruggiero, Carson, McNamara, Craven, Kazarian, Morgan, Filippi, Newberry, Lancia, Morin, Marcello, Barros, Solomon, Edwards, Phillips, Abney, Keable, Trillo, Nardolillo, Lima, Serpa, Casey, Blazejewski, Giarrusso, Reilly, Costa, Roberts, Chippendale, Johnston, Ajello, Kennedy, Messier, Bennett, Hull, Gallison, Handy, and Marshall and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

Representative Regunberg discusses the resolution.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Handy thanks the Rhode Island Philharmonic and Victoria Aluiti Music Foundation for supporting music in Cranston schools with their program at the Vets Auditorium today.

Representative Gallison announces that the Committee on Finance will meet at the rise of the House, and tomorrow at 2 o'clock P.M. in Room 35 of the State House.

Representative Costa announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet at the rise of the House, in the House Lounge of the State House.

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.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

Senate Bill No. 681 SUB A

BY McCaffrey, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE (Makes numerous amendments to general laws regarding state campaign finance laws, including the requirement for segregated accounts, appointments of deputy treasurers, and filing of fourth quarterly account statements with the board of elections.) {LC2140/A/1}

04/15/2015 Placed on House Calendar (04/16/2015)

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:57 o'clock P.M. on motion of Majority Leader DeSimone seconded by Minority Leader Newberry the House adjourns, on a voice vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE MIA A. ACKERMAN

In the Jewish tradition, we are commanded to remember zachor and not to forget lo tishkach. Today is Yom HaShoah, the Day of Holocaust Remembrance. On this solemn occasion, 70 years after the end of World War II:

We shall never forget those who perished.

We shall never forget those who saved even a single life. As it is written in the Talmud, "He who saves one life has saved the world."

We shall never forget the importance of speaking out against intolerance, whenever and wherever it occurs.

We shall never forget the inextricable link among democracy, the rule of law, and protection of human rights.

We shall never forget the age old prophetic vision of a world of justice, harmony, and peace.

And we shall never forget that each of us, in ways large and small, can help bring us closer to the realization of that prophetic vision.

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015:

1. **2015-H 5574**
 BY Fogarty
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING
 THE INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING PROGRAM HOUSE AT THE
 UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

 Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

2. **2015-H 5575**
 BY Fogarty
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT
 COMMITTEE ON NAMING NEW BUILDINGS

 Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

3. **2015-H 5901**
 BY Winfield
 ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2014 AMENDMENTS
 TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

 Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

4. **2015-S 649 SUB A**
 BY Goodwin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TWIN RIVER CASINO GAMBLING

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

5. **2015-S 681 SUB A**
 BY McCaffrey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE

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

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

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