

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Twelfth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:23 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 38 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 38: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

ABSENT – 0

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator O'Neill, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journals of the Tenth and Eleventh Legislative Days of the 2016 proceedings are read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator O'Neill and by unanimous consent, further readings of the Journals are dispensed with and the Journals approved as recorded.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Kettle and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Lynn Spinella, Executive Director Form Bureau and Wayne Salisbury former House Minority Leader from Scituate.

Upon suggestion of Senator Walaska and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Jean Johnson, Executive Director House of Hope.

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Bernadette Petrone and Dr. Granna Petrone.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Senator McCaffrey from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 7135

BY Azzinaro, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC3746/1}
(Allows Dan E. Blackstone to join Teresa Garcia and Jeffery Perez in marriage on or about February 13, 2016, within the town of Westerly, Rhode Island.)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2249**

BY Satchell, Gallo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING LIEUTENANT JAMES E. TIERNAN ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE WEST WARWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF DEVOTED AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WEST WARWICK
{LC4424/1}

Senator Satchell requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Satchell moves passage, seconded by Senators McCaffrey and Gallo.

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

Senate Resolution No. 2250

BY O'Neill, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF MICHAEL WILLIAM GROSSI

{LC4396/1}

Senator O'Neill requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator O'Neill moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri, Archambault, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, O'Neill, Pagliarini, Pearson, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Cote announces that that the Committee on Commerce will meet today, at the rise of the Senate in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Nesselbush announces that that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the Senate in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Jabour announces that that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the Senate in Room 313 of the State House.

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 motion of Senator Goodwin seconded by Senators Algieri and Ruggerio and upon suggestion of Senator O'Neill the Senate adjourns at 4:33 o'clock P.M. in memory of Michael William Grossi.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR EDWARD J. O'NEILL

Almighty God, help us through the stresses and strains of the day by granting us your serenity and peace. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2016:

1. 2016-S 2058

BY Goldin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Joseph R. Brady
Secretary of the Senate