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Eleventh Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, Madam President of the Senate, at 4:19 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, Devall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Levesque, Lynch, Maher, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 3: Senators Lenihan Maselli, Raptakis.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Tenth Legislative Day of the 2009 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE

January 29, 2009

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed
President of the Senate
318 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Madam President:

The Republican caucus met on January 29, 2009 and elected its leadership as follows:

Senate Minority Leader – Dennis L. Algieri
Senate Minority Whip – David E. Bates
Senior Deputy Minority Leader – Leo R. Blais
Deputy Minority Leader – Francis T. Maher, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis L. Algieri
Senate Minority Leader

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE

January 29, 2009

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed
President of the Senate
318 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Paiva Weed:

I am writing to inform you that I will be absent from Legislative Session on Thursday, January 29, 2009. Please know I will be out of town.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Leonidas P. Raptakis
Senator – District 33

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

January 29, 2009

Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed
President of the Senate
318 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Paiva Weed:

Please be advise due to illness I will not be able to attend Senate Session today, Thursday, January 29, 2009.

Sincerely,

Christopher Maselli
Senate District - 25

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5003 as amended

BY Fox

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (City of Providence to grant a tax credit to taxpayers owning owner-occupied condominium units)

Read and ordered to the Committee on Finance.

Also:

House Bill No. 5010

BY Pacheco

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES – TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (would permit buses and other motor vehicles owned and operated by the Rhode Island public transit authority to use traffic control signal preemption devices to prolong green traffic signals)

Read and ordered to the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 5185**BY** Gallison**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Senator Connors requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Connors moves passage, seconded by Senators Levesque and Sheehan.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, Devall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Levesque, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Also:

House Bill No. 5186**BY** Costantino, Serpa, Pollard, Martin, Mattiello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - RETIREMENT SYSTEM - CONTRIBUTION AND BENEFITS

Senator Connors requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Levesque moves passage, seconded by Senators Fogarty, Ruggerio, Miller, Walaska, Jabour, DiPalma and Crowley.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, Devall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Levesque, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 97

BY Senators Tassoni, Fogarty P, McBurney, Ciccone, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE (CASINO GAMBLING AT NEWPORT GRAND AND TWIN RIVER)

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 98

BY Senators Fogarty P, Cote, Blais, Connors

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE (GENERAL ASSEMBLY)

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 99

BY Senators DiPalma, Jabour, Paiva-Weed, Connors, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO STUDY MUNICIPAL SHARED SERVICES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 100

BY Senators Miller, Perry, Levesque C, Lenihan, Raptakis

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL IN ITS DEFENSE AGAINST TERRORISM IN THE GAZA STRIP

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 101

BY Senators DiPalma, McBurney, Crowley, DeVall, Pinga

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SCHOOL BUS MONITORS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 102

BY Senators Jabour, Picard, Pinga

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – RETAIL LICENSES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 103

BY Senator Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE – CASUALTY INSURANCE GENERALLY

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 104

BY Senators Fogarty P, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES – EXCAVATION NEAR UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES – COSTS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 105

BY Senator Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW – GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS – CONSUMER EMPOWERMENT AND IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION ACT OF 2006

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 106

BY Senators Ciccone, Picard, Jabour, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – COMMUNITY OBLIGATIONS AND BANKING OFFENSES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 107

BY Senators Jabour, Perry, Cote, Picard, Pinga

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS – LOCATION OF GAS REGULATORS AND GAS METERS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 108

BY Senators DiPalma, Connors, Sosnowski, Algiere

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS – SOLICITATION BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 109

BY Senators Perry, Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE – BIRDS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 110

BY Senators Miller, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 111

BY Senators Miller, Paiva-Weed, Sosnowski, Picard, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 112

BY Senators Levesque C, Gallo, Perry, Metts, Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- UNIVERSAL BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 113

BY Senators Raptakis, Blais, Cote, Walaska, O'Neill E

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 114

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Crowley, Jabour, Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 115

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Crowley, Jabour, Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 116

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS – MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 117

BY Senator Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS – EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 118

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – SALES AND USE TAXES – EXEMPTIONS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 119

BY Senators Levesque C, Felag, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT – DISTRESSED AREAS ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 120

BY Senators Miller, Tassoni, Connors, Levesque C, Lynch

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 121

BY Senator Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – CIGARETTE TAX

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 122

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Perry, Miller, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – PERSONAL INCOME TAX – EARNED INCOME CREDIT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 123

BY Senators Bates, Blais, Miller, Walaska, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION – INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 124

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY – OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 125

BY Senator McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS – FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 126

BY Senators Fogarty P, Cote, Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY – PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 127

BY Senators DiPalma, Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF NEWPORT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 128

BY Senators Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS – TRAFFICKING IN DEXTROMETHORPHAN

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 129

BY Senators Metts, Perry, Miller, Goodwin, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY – RHODE ISLAND FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 130

BY Senators Maher, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RATIFICATION OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 131

BY Senators O'Neill E, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE ACT, PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1948, ENTITLED "AND ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LIME ROCK FIRE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF LINCOLN," AS AMENDED

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 132

BY Senators Perry, Miller, Sosnowski, Levesque C, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 133

BY Senators Tassoni, DiPalma, McBurney, Maselli

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS – PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 134

BY Senators Fogarty P, Gallo, Blais, Maher, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES – MOBILE AND MANUFACTURED HOMES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 135

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 136

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS – PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO MARRY

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 137

BY Senators Perry, Miller, Sosnowski, Levesque C, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PRIVACY ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 138

BY Senators Tassoni, DiPalma, Maselli

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES – PASSING, USING OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 139

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 140

BY Senators Perry, Miller, Goodwin, DeVall, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT – STATE POLICE

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 141

BY Senators Blais, Maher

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 142

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry, Metts, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – REGULATION OF SALES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 143

BY Senators Miller, Connors, Metts, Tassoni, Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT REALTING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS –
CONDUCT OF ELECTION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 144

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Levesque C, Crowley, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – IDENTIFICATION AND
APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 145

BY Senator Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES – EXPLOSIVES AND FIREWORKS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 146

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY – IMMIGRATION STATUS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 147

BY Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Pichardo, Miller, Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS – PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO MARRY

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 148

BY Senators Ciccone, Tassoni, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES – GENERAL OFFICERS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 149

BY Senators Ciccone, Tassoni, Metts, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 150

BY Senators Ciccone, Tassoni, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - CODE OF ETHICS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 151

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE – PROCEDURE GENERALLY – WITNESSES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 152

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry, Metts, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – SENTENCE AND EXECUTION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 153

BY Senators Levesque C, Perry, Metts, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – RESTRICTION ON POLITICAL SURVEILLANCE

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 154

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Levesque C, Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES – SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSES – VIOLATION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 155

BY Senators Perry, Miller, Levesque C, Metts, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES – COMPREHENSIVE RACIAL PROFILING PREVENTION ACT OF 2009

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 156

BY Senators Metts, Pichardo, Levesque C, Crowley, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS – FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 157**BY** Senators Levesque C, Perry, Metts, Miller, Pichardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS – STATE RIGHTS OF IMMIGRANTS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 158**BY** Senators Levesque C, Felag, Bates**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND ON BEING NAMED ONE OF AMERICA’S “2009 DOZEN DISTINCTIVE DESTINATIONS”

Read and referred to the Senate Consent Calendar.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 159**BY** Senators Doyle, Tassoni, Connors**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION REINSTATING THE LIFE OF AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATE OF THE SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO UNDERTAKE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE PROJECTED NURSING SHORTAGE IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Senator Doyle requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Doyle moves passage, seconded by Senator Blais, Connors, Ruggerio and DaPonte.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1 2009-S 96**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF CERRONI’S AUTO SALES, INC.

Upon motion of Senator Connors, seconded by Senator Algieri, the measures on today’s Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, Devall, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Jabour, Lanzi, Levesque, Lynch, Maher, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, O'Neill, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Pinga, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Connors announces that the Committee on Rules will meet on Tuesday, February 3, 2009, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 310 of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Crowley, seconded by Senator Connors, Algieri and the entire Senate, and upon suggestion of Senator Crowley, the Senate adjourns at 4:30 o'clock P.M. in memory Joseph A. Moran, Jr. a former Employee of the State of Rhode Island, loving husband of Lola and father of 8 children, notably, father of former Representative Colonel Joseph Moran, III, Chief of the Central Falls Police Department. Joseph was a longtime resident of Central Falls and active in many City organizations.

JOSEPH R. BRADY
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR MICHAEL J. PINGA

Lord, with your guidance, may we be kind in our judgments, diligent in our wisdom, and humble in our power. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2009:

1. **2009-S 158**

BY Levesque C

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND ON BEING NAMED ONE OF AMERICA'S "2009 DOZEN DISTINCTIVE DESTINATIONS"

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2009:

1. **2009-S 45**
BY Ciccone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF NORTH PROVIDENCE

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.
2. **2009-S 47**
BY Felag
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF WARREN

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.
3. **2009-S 63**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.
4. **2009-S 64**
BY Fogarty P
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF GLOCESTER

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.