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Fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:09 a.m.

Roll call showed 32 members present. Representatives Gatto, Gruenberg, LeDoux, Meyer, Olson, and Samuels had been excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Gara and Holmes were absent and their presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend George Silides of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Representative Dahlstrom moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With deepest respect for the religious traditions of all Alaskans, I offer this prayer.

O gracious, good, and giving God, who has given us this day as a gift from your own hand, help us, we pray, by your grace to see your hand at work in the world around us—not only in the natural world, we pray, but in the discourse, discussion, and decisions which shape the world our children will inhabit. We ask your blessing upon the poor, the elderly, the mentally ill, the addicted, the very young, and all who have no voice but those who choose to represent them here. For those who can share and do we give special thanks.

Help us to find the beauty you have hidden in plain sight among our daily duties: in the lives of those with whom we disagree, in the strength of our minds and the passion of our purpose. May that beauty surround us like a cloak, shod our feet, and crown our heads with peace. For all the members of this House and all whom they are called to serve, we give you thanks and ask for your abundant presence and peace. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Salmon.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Foster, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the third legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring – Alaska Federation of Natives, 2007 Parents of the Year,
Wilfred and Vivian Lane
By Representative Joule

The following citation was introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
By Senator Davis

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 17

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17 by the House Judiciary Committee:

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 139,

relating to limitations on liability for certain airfield owners or operators.

was read the first time and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**The presence of Representative Gara was noted.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 331

HOUSE BILL NO. 331 by Representatives Roses, Harris, and Gara, entitled:

"An Act relating to mandatory motor vehicle insurance, license suspensions, mandatory impoundments of vehicles used in certain offenses, and notices relating to motor vehicles and driver's licenses."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor & Commerce and Judiciary Committees.

HB 332

HOUSE BILL NO. 332 by Representative Edgmon, entitled:

"An Act relating to elementary and pre-elementary schools."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education & Social Services and Finance Committees.

HB 333

HOUSE BILL NO. 333 by Representatives Fairclough, Samuels, Kerttula, Coghill, Holmes, Doogan, Doll, Wilson, Johnson, Lynn, and Dahlstrom, entitled:

"An Act relating to the reporting of child pornography."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 334

HOUSE BILL NO. 334 by Representatives Fairclough, Doll, Lynn, Buch, Stoltze, and Holmes, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education & Social Services and Finance Committees.

**The presence of Representative Holmes was noted.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, Honoring – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

By Senator Davis; Representatives Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Coghill, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kelly, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Nelson, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**HB 301**

Representative Dahlstrom added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 301

"An Act relating to partial-birth abortions."

HB 317

Representative Kelly added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 317

"An Act eliminating the limit on compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may solicit, accept, or receive under the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date."

HB 320

Representative Holmes added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 320

"An Act relating to certification of search and rescue personnel and organizations; requiring certain search and rescue personnel to be considered state employees for purposes of workers' compensation coverage; and allowing municipalities to elect to provide workers' compensation insurance coverage for search and rescue personnel."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published daily under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., January 22, 2008. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk