# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

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### **TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE**

# SECOND SESSION

#### Juneau, Alaska

Wednesday

February 17, 2016

# **Thirtieth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 10:31 a.m.

Roll call showed 38 members present. Representative Max Gruenberg's seat, District 16, was vacant.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Nageak be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Michael Oblath of Congregation Beth Sholom. Representative Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

In honor and memory of Max Gruenberg, friend and beloved member of Congregation Sukkat Shalom here and Congregation Beth Sholom in Anchorage, I wish to share with you some thoughts for our hearts and our minds, thoughts for our contemplation and dedication to act in the ways that make Max's memory a dear and compelling blessing for us all.

Our tradition teaches us the person that rises from prayer a better person; that person's prayer has been answered.

May we learn to appreciate the gifts that Max brought to us through his life's example. May we apply these gifts in our

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lives and our work to strive toward goals of compassion and caring in order to bring healing to our communities, blessing to our state, and balance in our lives. May we all rise from prayer as better people and act to bring understanding and health to our world. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Hughes.

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The House observed a procession of silence in memory of the life of Representative Max Gruenberg.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 25th through 29th legislative days and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 11 be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Munoz introduced Kati Giuliani, Guest Page, from Juneau.

Representative Kreiss-Tomkins introduced Helen Martin, Guest Page, from Petersburg.

# COMMUNICATIONS

Letters of disclosure received from the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, as required by AS 24.60, were published in House Journal Supplement No. 3 and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 12.

The following were received:

Dept. of Administration Office of the Commissioner Monetary Terms of Agreement Between the State and the Alaska State Employees Association (GGU) February 9, 2016 (as required by AS 23.40.215)

The Speaker referred the monetary terms to the Finance Committee.

Dept. of Education & Early Development Annual Report February 15, 2016 (as required by AS 14.03.078)

# INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - National Engineers Week By Representative Kito

Honoring - Service High School Football Team, 2015 All-Cook Inlet Conference Team By Representative Millett; Senator Meyer

Honoring - Service High School Flag Football Team, 2015 All-Cook Inlet Conference Flag Football Team By Representative Millett; Senator Meyer

Honoring - Alaska Women's Hall of Fame, Class of 2016 By Representatives Drummond, LeDoux

Honoring - Tuluksak School and Katherine Garrison, Hour of Code 2015 Alaska Event Winner By Representative Herron; Senator Hoffman

In Memoriam - Frank Mullen By Senator Stevens; Representative Seaton

In Memoriam - Henry King Middleton, Jr. By Senator Stevens; Representative Seaton

In Memoriam - Kathleen Margaret Patsch Walls By Senator Stevens; Representative Seaton

In Memoriam - Reynold Lewis Morris, Sr. By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

In Memoriam - Dr. Merle Richard Walter Johnson By Senator Stevens; Representative Seaton

In Memoriam - Nelda Calhoun By Senator Stevens; Representative Seaton

In Memoriam - Cecil Roy Sholl By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

In Memoriam - Susan Eileen Ramaglia By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

In Memoriam - Pete Ramaglia By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

In Memoriam - Robert Purpura By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

# INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

# **HCR 25**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25 by Representatives Tuck, Kawasaki, and Lynn:

Designating June 27, 2016, as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the State Affairs Committee.

The Speaker stated that the House would stand at ease to allow members of the Senate to enter the Chamber; and so, the House stood at ease at 10:54 a.m.

# AFTER AT EASE

The Speaker called the House back to order at 10:59 a.m.

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### JOINT SESSION IN THE HOUSE

In accordance with Uniform Rule 51, Speaker Chenault turned the gavel over to President Meyer who called the joint session to order at 11:00 a.m.

The purpose of the joint session was to hear an address by the Honorable Lisa Murkowski, U. S. Senator.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the Senate be waived and all members be shown as present. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the House be waived and all members be shown as present. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

President Meyer appointed Representative Olson and Senator Bishop to escort the Senator to the joint session.

The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Senator's entrance into the House Chamber.

Senator Murkowski was escorted to the rostrum and welcomed by President Meyer.

Senator Murkowski delivered her address, and it is published in House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 13.

A question and answer period followed the conclusion of the Senator's speech.

Senator Murkowski received a standing ovation and was escorted from the Chamber by Representative Olson and Senator Bishop.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the joint session adjourn. There being no objection, President Meyer adjourned the joint session at 12:05 p.m.

The Speaker ordered the House at ease to allow members of the Senate to leave the Chamber.

#### IN THE HOUSE

The Speaker called the House back to order at 12:17 p.m.

# INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

#### HB 312

HOUSE BILL NO. 312 by Representative LeDoux, entitled:

"An Act relating to common interest communities."

was read the first time and referred to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

#### HB 313

HOUSE BILL NO. 313 by the House Labor and Commerce Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the public construction contracts, including the application of prevailing wage rates."

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

### HB 314

HOUSE BILL NO. 314 by Representative Hughes, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

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

### HB 315

HOUSE BILL NO. 315 by Representative Vazquez, entitled:

"An Act relating to an electronic visit verification system for providers of certain medical assistance services."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services Committee.

#### HB 316

HOUSE BILL NO. 316 by Representative Claman, entitled:

"An Act relating to marriage solemnization; and authorizing elected public officials in the state to solemnize marriages."

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

#### HB 317

HOUSE BILL NO. 317 by Representatives Wilson and Kreiss-Tomkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to forfeiture to the state; relating to criminal law; amending Rules 3, 4, 11, 12, 16, 32, 32.2, 32.3, 39, 39.1, and 42, Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rules 501, 801, and 803, Alaska Rules of Evidence, and Rules 202, 209, and 217, Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary and Finance Committees.

# CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

### LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Darwin's Theory 35th Anniversary By Representatives Kawasaki, Gara, Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Gara – from 12:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., today

Representative Nageak – from 1:00 p.m., today to 11:00 p.m., February 21

Representative Hawker – from 5:00 p.m., February 18 to 11:00 a.m., February 23

Representative Johnson – from 7:00 p.m., February 19 to 10:00 a.m., February 22

Representative Colver – from noon, February 19 to 9:30 p.m., February 21

Representative Chenault – from 7:00 p.m., February 19 to 9:30 p.m., February 21

Representative Millett – from 11:30 a.m., February 19 to 11:45 p.m., February 21

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meetings today were changed:

Resources Committee CHANGED TO:

1:30 p.m.

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Labor & Commerce Committee CHANGED TO:	3:30 p.m.
Ethics Disclosures due to the	
Select Committee on Legislative Ethics	2/18

# ADJOURNMENT

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., February 19, 2016. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk