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Fifty-third Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 10:38 a.m.

Roll call showed 35 members present. Representatives Hawker and Reinbold had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Olson was absent.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Colver and 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, the Reverend Sue Bahleda of Resurrection Lutheran Church. Representative Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Resurrection Lutheran Church was honored to host the memorial service for Max Gruenberg. As many of you may know, when a pastor is not available for an invocation, you all are called upon to do that. When Max was called upon he would sometimes do that with gusto and surprise. So today in celebration of Representative Spohnholz and in remembrance of Representative Max Gruenberg, and with respect to the diversity of voices, beliefs, and practices that call out to a power beyond our individual selves, I offer the following prayer:

Zip a dee doo dah, zip a dee ay My, oh my, what a wonderful day.

We thank you, Hope-Giving One, for the men and women gathered here today. Guide these public servants that they may do the work before them in a spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice. Make them bold and generous in their call to serve faithfully and to promote our common life. Bless them, bless those that depend upon them, and bless this great land that is our home. Lift our hearts, lift our spirits, and lift our hope that we may sing "Wonderful feelin', wonderful day." Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Neuman.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 52nd legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Munoz introduced Keenan Miller, Guest Page, from Juneau.

Representative Pruitt introduced Colton Merriner and his sons Jacob and Bryce Pruitt, Guest Pages, from Anchorage.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A report of the Committee on Committees dated March 11, 2016, was read submitting amendments to the January 20, 2015, and February 24, 2016, reports (pages 10 and 1674). An additional report is on page 494. The amendments follow:

Committee on Committees: Kito replaced Gara

Education Committee: Spohnholz replaced Kreiss-Tomkins

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Judiciary Committee: Kreiss-Tomkins replaced Tuck

Resources Committee: Chenault, Alternate

Rules Committee: Millett, Alternate

State Affairs Committee: Spohnholz replaced Kito

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House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs: Spohnholz replaced Drummond

Legislative Budget and Audit: Kawasaki, Alternate

Legislative Council: Drummond, Alternate

Minority Whip: Kito

The report was signed by Representative Chenault, Chair; and Representatives Johnson, Millett, Neuman, Thompson, Tuck, and Gara.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adopt the Committee on Committees report. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

In Memoriam - Nicole Leman By Senator Costello; Representatives LeDoux, Claman

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

Honoring - Katherine Inman and Anchorage Yoga By Representatives Claman, Drummond

Honoring - Surgical Services Flight 673D Medical Group By Representative LeDoux; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring - Irene "Dottie" Holmes By Senator Huggins

Honoring - Women's History Month 2016 By Senator McGuire

In Memoriam - Jeremy Alexander Dooley By Senator Micciche; Representative Olson

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HR 7

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7 by the House Resources Committee:

Opposing the recent decisions of the Obama Administration to cancel future lease sales in the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas; urging the United States Department of the Interior to continue including the Chukchi Sea and Beaufort Sea lease sales in the 2017-2022 Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program; and urging the Obama Administration to support ongoing efforts to develop offshore oil and gas in the Arctic Outer Continental Shelf responsibly and to acknowledge the support of Alaskans.

was read the first time and taken up later as Special Order of Business.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Harry Nevak

By Representatives Herron, Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Guttenberg, Hawker, Hughes, Johnson,

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Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Spohnholz, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

Honoring - Pearl Watson, Fairbanks City Hostess

By Senator Kelly; Representatives Thompson, Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Spohnholz, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

Honoring - Scott Thomas, 2015 Employee of the Year - ADOT&PF By Senator Giessel; Representatives Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Spohnholz, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

Honoring - Christian Health Associated

By Senator Giessel; Representatives Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, 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 Nageak – from 11:00 a.m., March 11 to 8:00 a.m., March 14

Representative Hawker – from 10:00 p.m., March 12 to 10:00 p.m., March 19

Representative Thompson – from noon, March 11 to 10:00 p.m., March 13 (amended from page 1748)

Representative Gara – from noon, March 11 to 8:00 a.m., March 14

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, In Memoriam - Nicole Leman, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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

In Memoriam - Nicole Leman

By Senator Costello; Representatives LeDoux, Claman, Chenault, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Spohnholz, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

HR 7

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the following be taken up as a Special Order of Business:

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There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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**Representative Guttenberg, who was excused (page 1809), left the Chamber.

The question being: "Shall HR 7 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 7

Special Order of Business

YEAS: 28 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 5 ABSENT: 2

Yeas: Chenault, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Ortiz, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson

Nays: Drummond, Josephson, Spohnholz, Tarr, Wool

Excused: Colver, Guttenberg, Hawker, Nageak, Reinbold

Absent: Claman, Olson

And so, HR 7 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

HCR 23

Pursuant to:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23 am

Suspending Rule 23(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, relating to measures in possession of standing committees and special committees of the Alaska House of Representatives, and Rules 20, 21(c), and 24(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, restricting committee meetings of the Alaska House of Representatives to measures that substantially relate to and have as their primary purpose appropriating, raising, or allocating state revenue, until the Alaska House of Representatives passes a state operating budget to the Alaska Senate.

Rule 23(a) and Rules 20, 21(c), and 24(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature are no longer suspended. Submit written notice of a meeting by 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the week of the meeting to the Chief Clerk's office.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., March 14, 2016. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk