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Twenty-eighth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 11:04 a.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present. Representatives Harris and Stoltze had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Hawker was absent.

Representative Johansen moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Johnson be excused from a call of the House from today to morning plane time, February 21. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Doctor Douglas Dye of Chapel by the Lake Presbyterian Church. Representative P. Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

I am grateful for the opportunity to pray for you and with the Alaska State House of Representatives. With the deepest respect for the religious traditions of all Alaskans, I offer this prayer for your blessing and benefit.

Dear God, my Heavenly Father,

We come to you this day thankful for the gift of life and the way you have led us to serve the people of Alaska.

We gladly recognize that you are the creator, and we joyfully thank you for the gift of living in this great and beautiful land. We offer to you our deep gratitude for placing us in a land of such magnificent splendor and abundant resources.

On this President's Day, O Lord, we offer you our deepest gratitude for the service and commitment of the men who have served in the highest elected office in our nation. We pray for our current president that you would grant him wisdom, courage, and grace.

Dear Father in heaven, we thank you for visionary and faithful Alaskans who have brought justice and fairness to our great state. We especially think of Elizabeth Peratrovich whose life and contributions to the State of Alaska we will celebrate tomorrow. Bless her memory, bless her work, and use her courage and convictions to shape a righteous future for all of us.

O God, I pray you will bless these men and women. May they do their work in a spirit of wisdom and kindness and justice. Grant them the ability - in the midst of the many competing claims they encounter - to discern the good and the right. Fill them with patience and courage to follow paths that will bless our people. Help them to use their authority to serve faithfully and to promote the well being of all Alaskans. Please give to them joy and satisfaction in the work they do this day.

I pray these things in your most holy name. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Gatto.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Johansen moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 25th, 26th, and 27th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Thomas introduced Gracie Lazar, Guest Page, from Juneau.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated February 12, 2010, was read stating the Senate passed the following, and they are transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

SCR 12

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12 by Senators Meyer and McGuire:

Proclaiming September 9, 2010, as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day.

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

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 195

SENATE BILL NO. 195 by Senator Thomas, entitled:

"An Act relating to the repeal of the establishment of the Goldstream Public Use Area."

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The following was received:

Dept. of Administration Division of Personnel & Labor Relations 2010 Progress Report on Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action in Alaska State Government February 11, 2010 (as required by AS 39.28.020)

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Steve Borell By Representative Millett

Honoring - Jan Edwards By Senator Meyer; Representative Millett

Honoring - Dr. Robyn Rehmann By Senator Davis

In Memoriam - Emma Jane Pease Burton By Senator Davis

In Memoriam - Sandra Ness Nedrow By Senator Stevens; Representative Austerman

In Memoriam - Linda Joyce Dolph By Senator Stevens; Representative Austerman

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 345

HOUSE BILL NO. 345 by Representative Ramras, entitled:

"An Act designating the bridge to be built on the Dalton Highway at approximately mile post 308 as the Sam Schuyler Memorial Bridge."

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

HB 346

HOUSE BILL NO. 346 by Representative Olson, entitled:

"An Act establishing the Workers' Compensation Advisory Board; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 347

HOUSE BILL NO. 347 by Representatives Petersen, Tuck, Kawasaki, Gruenberg, and Buch, entitled:

"An Act allowing certain teachers, public employees, and private sector employees to take leave without pay when their spouses are on leave from deployment in a combat zone."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HJR 26

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

Urging the United States Congress to adequately fund land surveys in Alaska in order to issue patents to the State of Alaska and Alaska Native corporations.

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The Rules Committee submitted the following updated fiscal note:

2. Zero, House Rules Committee

Representative Johansen moved and asked unanimous consent that HJR 26 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HJR 26 was read the third time.

Representative Thomas moved and asked unanimous consent that he be allowed to abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest. Objection was heard, and Representative Thomas was required to vote.

The question being: "Shall HJR 26 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HJR 26 Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Austerman, Buch, Chenault, Cissna, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, N.Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Herron, Holmes, Johansen, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kelly, Kerttula, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Olson, Petersen, Ramras, Salmon, Seaton, Thomas, Tuck, P.Wilson, T.Wilson

Excused: Harris, Johnson, Stoltze

Absent: Hawker

And so, HJR 26 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Johansen 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 - Lynden Transport, The Moving Wall 2006 Alaska Tour By Representatives Herron, Chenault, Austerman, Buch, Cissna, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, N. Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kelly, Kerttula, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Olson, Petersen, Ramras, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Tuck, P. Wilson, T. Wilson; Senator Hoffman February 15, 2010

In Memoriam - Hermann Ruess

By Senator Bunde; Representatives Chenault, Buch, Cissna, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, N. Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Herron, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kelly, Kerttula, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Olson, Petersen, Ramras, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Tuck, P. Wilson, T. Wilson

In Memoriam - Helen Soares

By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives Petersen, Chenault, Buch, Cissna, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, N. Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Herron, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kelly, Kerttula, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Tuck, P. Wilson, T. Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HJR 26

Representatives Dahlstrom and Johansen added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

Urging the United States Congress to adequately fund land surveys in Alaska in order to issue patents to the State of Alaska and Alaska Native corporations.

HJR 38

Representatives Joule, Salmon, Kerttula, Austerman, and Edgmon added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 38

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to and increasing the number of members of the house of representatives to forty-eight and the number of members of the senate to twenty-four.

HB 87

Representative Herron added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 87

"An Act waiving payment of premiums for major medical insurance under the defined benefit retirement plan for public employees for disabled peace officers who have at least 20 years of credited service as peace officers."

HB 187

Representative Millett added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 187

"An Act requiring insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorders, describing the method for establishing a treatment plan for those disorders, and defining the treatment required for those disorders; and providing for an effective date."

HB 328

Representative Tuck added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 328

"An Act establishing a traumatic or acquired brain injury program and registry within the Department of Health and Social Services; and relating to medical assistance coverage for traumatic or acquired brain injury services."

HB 331

Representative Ramras added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 331

"An Act relating to funding for youth courts; and relating to accounting for criminal fines."

HB 341

Representative Kerttula added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 341

"An Act relating to aquatic farming and to payment made to the Department of Fish and Game for the removal of wild stock of a shellfish species that exceeds an insignificant amount; and providing for an effective date."

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HB 343

Representative Lynn added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 343

"An Act relating to the period in which a permit authorizing activities related to the exploration, development, or production of mineral resources, oil, or gas is valid when activities authorized by the permit have been stayed by a court or administrative order."

ENGROSSMENT

HJR 26

Due to APOC:

HJR 26 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

Yearend Campaign Account Report
Public Office Expense Term (POET) Account Report
Due to APOC: 2/16

Ethics Disclosures
Due to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics: 2/17

Financial Disclosure Statements

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Johansen moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., February 17, 2010. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

Suzi Lowell Chief Clerk