

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
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**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**April 27, 2011**

**Tenth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 1:16 p.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senators Dyson, McGuire, Wagoner were excused from a call of the Senate.

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator McGuire be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, April 27 through morning plane time, April 30. Without objection, Senator McGuire was excused.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Beau Poppen-Abajian. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

I'd like to share some words, translated by Lakota Sioux Chief Yellow Lark in 1887. Little information about Chief Yellow Lark is available.

The Lakota are the westernmost of the Sioux nation and speak Lakhota, one of the three dialects of the Sioux language. About 20,500 in the Sioux Nation speak the Lakota language.

Oh, Great Spirit,  
Whose voice I hear in the winds,  
And whose breath gives life to all the world,  
hear me, I am small and weak,

I need your strength and wisdom.  
Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold  
the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things you have made  
and my ears sharp to hear your voice.  
Make me wise so that I may understand the things  
you have taught my people.  
Let me learn the lessons you have  
hidden in every leaf and rock.

I seek strength, not to be greater than my brother, but  
to fight my greatest enemy - myself.

Make me always ready to come to you with clean  
hands and straight eyes.

So when life fades, as the fading sunset, my Spirit  
may come to you without shame.

Senator Wielechowski led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Certification**

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the ninth legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Special Order of Business**

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the following Citation Calendar be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Citation Calendar**

Honoring - Susan McLean

Senator(s) French, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Senator Huggins moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, April 29 through evening plane time, May 1. Without objection, Senator Huggins was excused.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, April 30 through evening plane time, May 2. Without objection, Senator Giessel was excused.

Senator Menard moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, April 27 through evening plane time, April 28. Without objection, Senator Menard was excused.

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, April 28 through evening plane time, April 29. Without objection, Senator Meyer was excused.

**Announcements**

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Adjournment**

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 28, 2011. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

Kirsten Waid  
Secretary of the Senate

**Announcements**

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**STANDING COMMITTEES**

+ indicates teleconference  
 = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

**FINANCE**

<b>Apr 27</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
	-- Postponed to a Call of the Chair --		
	-- Teleconference --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 28</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 29</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

**JUDICIARY**

<b>Apr 29</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
+	Presentation:		
	ACES: An Assessment of Its Effectiveness		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**ALASKA NORTHERN WATERS TASK FORCE**

<b>May 17</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Bethel</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Hearing in Bethel on Coastal Erosion and Flooding		
	Location: Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation Boardroom		
<b>May 18</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Anch Lio Conf Rm</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Hearings in Anchorage: Current Research on the Arctic Ocean		