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Sixty-third Day

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

Roll call showed 38 members present. Representative Tuck had been excused from a call of the House today.

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

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Dan Wiese of Juneau Church of the Nazarene. Representative Shaw moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

I am honored to stand before you this day, and it is with respect for the various religious beliefs of each person here, I invite you to pause with me for a moment of prayer and reflection:

Our Father in Heaven, I first want to thank you for your love, grace, and mercy shown to us through your son, Jesus Christ. And I thank you for the gifts, talents, and abilities you give each one of these representatives in this room to fulfill their calling as public servants in this great state of Alaska. You have raised them up for this very time and for a divine purpose to be leaders, but also to be servants representing

their districts across this great state. With that comes great responsibility to lead, to come up with proposals to resolve the issues the people of this state face, and to make decisions for the best path to take.

As we talk about budgets, about how to stretch our limited resources, Lord, we need your wisdom and help. Help each one to be good stewards of this state's resources and resolve the issues before them. Bless this state with revenues to meet the needs of people across this state for the good of all people. And help all of us across this state to be good stewards of the resources you have blessed us with in Alaska.

I pray for each of these representatives, their families, and their staff. I pray that you would provide for their needs, in particular I pray for them through the struggles and challenges they are going through in their personal lives. Help them through those challenging times. Bless them and help them, I pray. In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray this prayer. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Tilton.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 60th, 61st, and 62nd legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Hannan introduced Kate and Callie Stickel, Guest Pages, from Juneau.

Representative Kreiss-Tomkins introduced Adonna Adams from Anchorage and Hannah Altland from Craig, Guest Pages.

Representative Stutes introduced Nels Ure, House Page, from Kodiak.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Judiciary Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Dave Parker

as a member of the Alaska Judicial Council.

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair; and Representatives Eastman, Wool, Stutes, Shaw, and Kopp.

The Labor & Commerce Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Julie Anderson

as Commissioner of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development.

The report was signed by Representatives Wool and LeDoux, Co-chairs; and Representatives Hannan and Stutes.

HB 77

The Judiciary Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 77

"An Act relating to the number of superior court judges in the third judicial district; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Wool, Stutes, Shaw, Claman

No recommendation (2): Eastman, Kopp

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Alaska Judiciary System

HB 77 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

HR 6

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6 by Representatives Lincoln and Shaw:

Expressing support and appreciation for the National Native American Veterans Memorial.

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

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE BILLS**

HB 99

HOUSE BILL NO. 99 by Representative Edgmon, entitled:

"An Act relating to the development and operation of a hydroelectric site at the Nuyakuk River Falls; providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Wood-Tikchik State Park; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

HB 100

HOUSE BILL NO. 100 by Representative Eastman, entitled:

"An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation and Resources Committees.

HB 101

HOUSE BILL NO. 101 by Representative Wilson, entitled:

"An Act relating to qualifications for a license to practice dentistry; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Labor & Commerce Committees.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS****HJR 9**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Requesting the United States Secretary of the Treasury to mint not less than 5,000,000 \$1 coins honoring Elizabeth Peratrovich under the Native American \$1 Coin Act.

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Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original resolution:

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9(STA)

(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHJR 9(STA) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHJR 9(STA) will advance to third reading on the March 20 calendar.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Thompson 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:

In Memoriam - Margaret Kathleen Eagan Pate
By Representatives Vance, Sullivan-Leonard

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Thompson 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 Johnston – from 7:00 p.m., March 21 to 10:00 a.m., March 25

Representative Shaw – from 8:00 p.m., March 21 to 11:00 p.m., March 24

Representative Zulkosky – from 7:30 a.m., March 22 to 8:00 a.m., March 25

Representative Eastman – from 8:00 a.m., March 22 to 11:00 a.m., March 25

HJR 9

Representatives Story, Drummond, Zulkosky, Hannan, and Josephson added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9(STA)

Requesting the United States Secretary of the Treasury to mint not less than 5,000,000 \$1 coins honoring Elizabeth Peratrovich under the Native American \$1 Coin Act.

HJR 11

Representative Jackson added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska prohibiting a religious test for public office.

HB 79

Representative Spohnholz added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 79

"An Act relating to participation of certain peace officers and firefighters in the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; relating to eligibility of peace officers and firefighters for medical, disability, and death benefits; relating to liability of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., March 20. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Crystalline Jones
Chief Clerk