# Journal of the House

# **Friday, April 19, 2019**

At nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon the Speaker called the House to order.

#### **Devotional Exercises**

Devotional exercises were conducted by Chaplain Alden Launer, Copley Hospital, Morrisville, VT.

# Bill Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 149

Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to miscellaneous changes to laws related to vehicles and the Department of Motor Vehicles

Appearing on the Calendar, affecting the revenue of the state, under rule 35(a), was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

#### Third Reading; Bill Passed

H. 207

House bill, entitled

An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of Montpelier regarding non-citizen voting in City elections

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

#### Remarks Journalized

On motion of **Rep. Haas of Rochester**, the following remarks by **Rep. Yacovone of Morristown** were ordered printed in the Journal:

"Madam Speaker:

April 20th marks 20 years since the tragedy in Columbine occurred.

With your permission I wish to take a few moments to speak about the victims whose lives were tragically taken that day.

Most of the students that day were in the library found hiding under their desks

The first victim was Rachel Scott. Rachel was quoted in her year book as saying 'when one person can go out of their way to show compassion then it will start a chain reaction of the same'.

The second victim was Daniel Rohbrough. Daniel was working on getting his driver's license. He was known as 'the boy who held the door' so that others could get away.

The third victim was Coach Dave Sanders. Dave was credited saving hundreds of students. He died from three gun shoot wounds to his back.

The fourth victim was Kyle Velasquez, known as the gentle giant. Kyle, as a teenager with developmental disabilities, was picked on for much of his life but was just coming into his own.

The fifth victim was Steven Curnow. Steven loved soccer because he would take all his anxieties out on the soccer ball.

The sixth victim was Cassie Bernall. Cassie was very religious and known to be the girl who, when asked by the shooter if she believed in God, said yes.

The seventh victim was Isaiah Shoels. Isaiah wanted to be a comedian and wanted to be an entertainer. He was a popular student.

The eighth victim was Matthew Kechter. Mathew loved sports and was an honor student.

The ninth victim was Lauren Townsend. Lauren was a senior who never got a grade less than an A. She was headed toward being class valedictorian and volunteered at a local animal shelter.

The tenth victim was John Tomlin. John loved church and Chevy trucks. He once drove all the way to Mexico to help a poor family build a house.

The eleventh victim was Kelly Fleming. Kelly loved to tell stories with happy endings. Her family moved from Phoenix and settled in what they had hoped would be a safe community.

The twelfth victim was Daniel Mauser. Daniel was a straight A student, who never was embarrassed to hug his parents, any place any time.

The final victim was Corey DePooter. Corey always wanted to be a Marine. He loved people and loved school. At Corey's funeral he was made an honorary Marine.

Thank you Madam Speaker."

#### Rules Suspended; Bill Recommitted

S. 41

On motion of **Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg**, the rules were suspended and Senate bill, entitled

An act relating to An act relating to regulating entities that administer health reimbursement arrangements;

Appearing on the Calendar for notice, was taken up for immediate consideration.

Thereupon, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Health Care on motion of **Rep. Lippert of Hinesburg**.

## Adjournment

At ten o'clock and six minutes in the forenoon, on motion of **Rep. McCoy of Poultney**, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to the provisions of J.R.S. 24.

### **Concurrent Resolutions Adopted**

The following concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the Consent Calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no member having requested floor consideration as provided by Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, are herby adopted on the part of the House.

#### H.C.R. 143

House concurrent resolution congratulating Olivia Shively on qualifying for the 2019 Snowboarding Junior World Championships;

#### H.C.R. 145

House concurrent resolution honoring the 26th President of the University of Vermont, E. Thomas Sullivan, for his leadership accomplishments;

[The full text of the concurrent resolutions appeared in the House Calendar Addendum on the preceding legislative day and will appear in the Public Acts and Resolves of the 2019, seventy-fifth Biennial session.]