Journal of the Senate

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2019

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Reverend Peter Plagge of Waterbury.

Message from the House No. 39

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Rebecca Silbernagel, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has considered Senate proposal of amendment to House bill entitled:

H. 39. An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education.

And has refused to concur therein and asks for a Committee of Conference upon the disagreeing votes of the two Houses;

The Speaker appointed as members of such Committee on the part of the House:

Rep. Conlon of Cornwall Rep. Cupoli of Rutland City Rep. Giambatista of Essex

Pages Honored

In appreciation of their many services to the members of the General Assembly, the President recognized the following-named pages who are completing their services today and presented them with letters of appreciation.

Isabella Bevins of Plainfield Ella Byers of Shelburne Jazmyn Dix of Whitingham Maya Elliot of Middlesex Eli Ferro of Tunbridge

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Maximmillian Fontana of South Burlington Gabriel Hall of Montpelier Hannah Keith of Kirby Maverick Murphy of Woodbury Jessica Pierce of Chester

Bill Passed

S. 111.

Senate bill of the following title was read the third time and passed:

An act relating to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry.

Bills Passed in Concurrence with Proposal of Amendment

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence with proposal of amendment:

- H. 7. An act relating to second degree aggravated domestic assault.
- **H. 19.** An act relating to sexual exploitation of a person in law enforcement officer custody.

Bill Passed in Concurrence

H. 218.

House bill of the following title was read the third time and passed in concurrence:

An act relating to lead poisoning prevention.

Committee of Conference Appointed

H. 39.

An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education.

Was taken up. Pursuant to the request of the House, the President announced the appointment of

Senator Baruth Senator Perchlik Senator Parent

as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate to consider the disagreeing votes of the two Houses.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions, having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted on the part of the Senate:

By Senator Lyons,

By Rep. Pugh,

S.C.R. 9.

Senate concurrent resolution in memory of former University of Vermont Dean of the College of Education and Social Services and Associate Provost Jill Mattuck Tarule of Essex.

By Senator Lyons,

S.C.R. 10.

Senate concurrent resolution in memory of creative mathematics educator and passionate Celtic folk musician Timothy James Whiteford.

House Concurrent Resolutions

The following joint concurrent resolutions having been placed on the consent calendar on the preceding legislative day, and no Senator having requested floor consideration as provided by the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, were severally adopted in concurrence:

By Reps. Ancel and others,

By Senators Ashe, Benning, Cummings, Kitchel, Mazza, McNeil, Perchlik and Pollina,

H.C.R. 121.

House concurrent resolution commemorating the placement of the third statue of Agriculture atop the State House dome and honoring its creators, sculptors Chris Miller and Jerry Williams.

By Reps. Austin and others,

H.C.R. 122.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Gloria Kigonya on winning the 2019 Vermont Debate and Forensics League State Forensics Tournament's performance poetry category.

By Reps. Stevens and others,

H.C.R. 123.

House concurrent resolution honoring Sarah E. Carpenter for her outstanding leadership as Vermont Housing Finance Agency Executive Director.

By Reps. Masland and Briglin,

H.C.R. 124.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Thetford Academy Panthers girls' soccer team on winning a second consecutive Division III championship.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 125.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Henry Farrington on being named the 2018 Vermont Gatorade Boys' Cross-Country Runner of the Year.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 126.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Essex High School Hornets State championship gymnastics team.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 127.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Essex High School Vermont Treasury Cup Challenge championship team.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 128.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Essex High School Hornets Division I girls' ice hockey championship team.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 129.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Essex High School Hornets boys' ice hockey team on winning the school's second-consecutive Division I championship.

By Reps. Myers and others,

H.C.R. 130.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Essex High School Hornets Division I indoor track and field championship team.

By Reps. McCarthy and others,

H.C.R. 131.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Steve Gagner on his selection as the 2019 U.S. Small Business Administration's Vermont Small Business Person of the Year.

By Reps. Fagan and others,

By Senators Collamore, Hooker and McNeil,

H.C.R. 132.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Rutland High School for earning placement on the first ESPN Honor Roll, in recognition of the school's outstanding Special Olympics Unified Sports program.

By Reps. Brumsted and others,

By Senators Ingram and Lyons,

H.C.R. 133.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Champlain Valley Union High School Principal Adam Bunting on being named the 2018 Vermont Principal of the Year.

By Reps. Sibilia and others,

H.C.R. 134.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Junior Iron Chefs championship teams.

By Reps. Morrissey and others,

By Senators Campion and Sears,

H.C.R. 135.

House concurrent resolution saluting the Vermonters who served in the Vietnam War and honoring the memory of those who died in this conflict.

By Reps. Till and others,

H.C.R. 136.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Katherine Suzanne Bove on winning one gold medal and one bronze medal at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

By Reps. Morrissey and others,

By Senators Campion and Sears,

H.C.R. 137.

House concurrent resolution congratulating American Legion Post 13 in Bennington on its 100th anniversary.

Message from the House No. 40

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Rebecca Silbernagel, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

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- **H.C.R. 124.** House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Thetford Academy Panthers girls' soccer team on winning a second consecutive Division III championship.
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- **H.C.R. 137.** House concurrent resolution congratulating American Legion Post 13 in Bennington on its 100th anniversary.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

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S.C.R. 9. Senate concurrent resolution in memory of former University of Vermont Dean of the College of Education and Social Services and Associate Provost Jill Mattuck Tarule of Essex.

S.C.R. 10. Senate concurrent resolution in memory of creative mathematics educator and passionate Celtic folk musician Timothy James Whiteford.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Ashe, the Senate adjourned, to reconvene on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon pursuant to J.R.S. 22.