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REGULAR SESSION

BETSY McCAUGHEY, Lieutenant-Governor

STEPHEN F. SLOAN, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

THE PRESIDENT: The Senate will come to order. Would you please rise and repeat with me the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The assemblage repeated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

In the absence of clergy, may we bow our heads in a moment of silence.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

The reading of the Journal, please.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Monday, January 9th. The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Friday, January 6th, was read and approved. On motion, the Senate adjourned.

THE PRESIDENT: Without objection, the Journal stands approved as read. The order of business:

Presentation of petitions.

Messages from the Assembly.

Messages from the Governor.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of select committees.

Communications and reports from state officers.

Motions and resolutions.

I would like to recognize Senator Bruno.

SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President, I move we adopt the Resolution Calendar, a copy of which is at the desk.

THE PRESIDENT: All in favor of adopting the resolution -

SENATOR CONNOR: Madam President, I would ask that the resolution honoring Thomas Coughlin on the occasion of his retirement be opened up for other sponsorships since there are members of this side of the aisle who would like to sponsor it.

THE PRESIDENT: The number of additional sponsorships, please.

SENATOR CONNOR: Yes.

THE PRESIDENT: Oh. The number of the resolution.

SENATOR CONNOR: Anybody that doesn't want to be on it?

SENATOR BRUNO: Anybody who doesn't want to be on it -

THE PRESIDENT: What is the number of the resolution, please?

SENATOR CONNOR: Resolution - Resolution Number 26.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

Everyone will be on the resolution unless he speaks now preferring not to be on the resolution. All in favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar, signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye".)

Those opposed, nay.

(There was no response.)

The resolution is adopted.

Senator Bruno.

SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President, I offer up the following committee assignments, ask that they be filed and read, and the committee assignments as related to the Minority

will be made in consultation with the Minority Leader.

THE PRESIDENT: The Secretary will read the assignments.

THE SECRETARY: Senator Bruno hands up the following committee assignments:

Committee on Aging: Chairman, Senator DiCarlo.

Committee on Agriculture: Chairman, Senator Kuhl.

Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse: Chairman, Senator Wright.

Committee on Banks: Chairman, Senator Farley.

Committee on Children and Families: Chairman, Senator Saland.

Committee on Cities: Chairman, Senator Padavan.

Committee on Civil Service and Pensions: Chairman, Senator Trunzo.

Committee on Codes: Chairman, Senator Volker.

Committee on Commerce, Economic

Development and Small Business: Chairman, Senator Present.

Committee on Consumer Protection: Chairman, Senator Sears.

Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions: Chairman, Senator Marchi.

Committee on Crime and Corrections: Chairman, Senator Nozzolio.

Committee on Education: Chairman, Senator Cook.

Committee on Elections: Chairman, Senator Maltese.

Committee on Energy: Chairman, Senator Seward.

Committee on Environmental Conservation: Chairman, Senator Tully.

Committee on Ethics: Chairman, Senator Leibell.

Committee on Finance: Chairman, Senator Stafford.

Committee on Health: Chairman, Senator Hannon.

Committee on Higher Education: Chairman, Senator LaValle.

Committee on Housing: Chairman, Senator Johnson.

Committee on Insurance: Chairman, Senator Velella.

Committee on Investigations, Taxation and Government Operations: Chairman, Senator Goodman.

Committee on Judiciary: Chairman, Senator Lack.

Committee on Labor: Chairman, Senator Spano.

Committee on Local Government: Chairman, Senator Larkin.

Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities: Chairman, Senator Libous.

Committee on Rules: Chairman, Senator Bruno.

Committee on Social Services: Chairman, Senator Holland.

Committee on Tourism, Recreation

and Sports Development: Chairman, Senator DeFrancisco.

Committee on Transportation: Chairman, Senator Levy.

Committee on Veterans: Chairman, Senator Hoblock.

Administrative Regulations Review Commission: Chairman, Senator Rath.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes. The committee assignments are hereby received and ordered filed with the desk.

Senator Bruno.

SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President, for the purpose of the members, the commissions and how they are put together will be announced in the very near future, hopefully next week.

Now, Madam President, with your indulgence, I would like to read the leadership positions in the Senate.

Thank you.

And I ask that they be filed at the desk. You have appointed me Temporary President of the Senate, my colleagues, and for

that, I thank you.

Vice-President Pro Tem, Senator Owen Johnson.

Deputy Majority Leader, Legislative Operations, Senator Dean Skelos.

Senior Assistant Majority Leader, Senator Guy Velella.

Assistant Majority Leader, Conference Operations, Senator Nicholas Spano.

Assistant Majority Leader, house operations, Senator John Kuhl.

Chairman, Majority Conference, Senator Norm Levy.

Chairman, Majority Program Development Committee, Senator Thomas Libous.

Majority Whip, Senator Hugh Farley.

Vice-Chairman, Majority Conference, Senator Kenneth LaValle.

Secretary, Majority Conference, Senator James Seward.

Deputy Majority Whip, Senator James Lack.

Chairman, Majority Steering Committee, Senator John Daly.

Assistant Majority Whip, Senator William Larkin, and in addition to these leader... leadership positions, I have taken it upon myself to create several other leadership positions out of deference to some very senior members in this house that will help me in my leadership role as we go forward doing all the good things that we want to do for the people of this state, and I will read:

Counsel to the Majority Leader, Ralph Marino.

Deputy Majority Leader for Intergovernmental Affairs, Senator John Marchi.

Deputy Majority Leader for Administration, Senator Jess Present.

Deputy Majority Leader for Policy, Senator Roy Goodman.

Thank you.

THE PRESIDENT: Leadership assignments are hereby received and ordered filed with the desk.

SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President.

THE PRESIDENT: Senator Bruno.

SENATOR BRUNO: It's my understanding that the Minority leadership positions are at the desk and ask that they be read in their entirety and filed.

THE PRESIDENT: The Secretary will read them, please.

THE SECRETARY: Senator Bruno hands up the following committee notices:

Committee on Aging: Senator Kruger, ranking.

Committee on Agriculture: Senator Hoffmann, ranking.

Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse: Senator Gonzalez, acting ranking.

Committee on Banks: Senator Santiago, ranking.

Committee on Children and Families: Senator Montgomery, acting ranking.

Committee on Cities: Senator Espada, ranking.

Committee on Civil Service and

Pensions: Senator Waldon, ranking.

Committee on Codes: Senator Gold, ranking.

Committee on Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business: Senator Gonzalez, ranking.

Committee on Consumer Protection: Senator Montgomery, ranking.

Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions: Senator Smith, ranking.

Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Corrections: Senator Abate, ranking.

Committee on Education: Senator Babbush, ranking.

Committee on Elections: Senator Kruger, acting ranking.

Committee on Energy: Senator Dollinger, acting ranking.

Committee on Environmental Conservation: Senator Leichter, acting ranking.

Committee on Ethics: Senator Stachowski, acting ranking.

Committee on Finance: Senator Galiber, ranking.

Committee on Health: Senator Dollinger, ranking.

Committee on Higher Education: Senator Stavisky, ranking.

Committee on Housing and Community Development: Senator Markowitz, acting ranking.

Committee on Insurance: Senator Solomon, ranking.

Committee on Investigations, Taxation and Government Operations: Senator Markowitz, ranking.

Committee on Judiciary: Senator Leichter, ranking.

Committee on Labor: Senator Stachowski, ranking.

Committee on Local Government: Senator Hoffmann, acting ranking.

Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities: Senator Jones, ranking.

Committee on Rules: Senator Connor, ranking.

Committee on Social Services: Senator Mendez, ranking.

Tourism, Recreation and Sports: Senator Nanula, ranking.

Committee on Transportation: Senator Oppenheimer, ranking.

Committee on Veterans: Senator Onorato, ranking.

Also, Senator Bruno hands up the following Senate Minority Leaderships:

Minority Leader, Senator Martin Connor.

Deputy Minority Leader, Senator David Paterson.

Chairperson, Minority Conference: Senator Olga Mendez.

Assistant Minority Leader for Policy and Administration, Senator Martin Solomon.

Assistant Minority Leader for conference operations, Senator Anthony Nanula.

Assistant Minority Leader for floor operations, Senator William Stachowski.

Minority Whip, Senator Ada Smith.

Vice-Chairperson, Minority Conference: Senator Velmanette Montgomery.

Secretary, Minority Conference: Senator George Onorato.

Assistant Minority Whip, Senator Pedro Espada.

THE PRESIDENT: The leadership assignments and committee assignments are hereby received and ordered filed with the desk.

Senator Bruno.

SENATOR BRUNO: Madam President, I would like to add to the proceedings that Senator Michael Tully will remain as Chair of the Council on Health Care Financing, and there being no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that we stand adjourned until Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. and intervening days to be legislative days, and wish you all a nice, long weekend.

THE PRESIDENT: The Senate stands

adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 3:15 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)