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REGULAR SESSION

SENATOR JOHN R. KUHL, JR., Acting President

STEVEN M. BOGGESS, Secretary

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
3 Senate will come to order. Ask the members to
4 find their places, the staff to find their
5 places. I'd ask everybody in the chamber to
6 rise and join me in saying the Pledge of
7 Allegiance to the Flag.

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

10 We'll delay the saying of the
11 prayer as we're waiting currently for the
12 arrival of the clergy.

13 So we'll move on to the reading
14 of the Journal.

15 THE SECRETARY: In Senate,
16 Monday, March 23rd. The Senate met pursuant to
17 adjournment. The Journal of Sunday, March 22nd,
18 was read and approved. Upon motion, the Senate
19 adjourned.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Hearing
21 no objection, the Journal stands approved as
22 read.

23 Presentation of petitions.

24 Messages from the Assembly.

25 Messages from the Governor.

1 Reports of standing committees.

2 The Secretary will read.

3 THE SECRETARY: Senator Wright,
4 from the Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse,
5 reports:

6 Senate Print 4224-A, by Senator
7 Wright, an act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic
8 Law;

9 6422, by Senator Wright, an act
10 to amend the Mental Hygiene Law;

11 6460, by Senator Wright, an act
12 to amend the Mental Hygiene Law;

13 6477, by Senator Wright, an act
14 to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.

15 Senator Padavan, from the
16 Committee on Cities, reports:

17 Senate Print 899-A, by Senator
18 Cook, an act to amend the General City Law, the
19 Town Law and the Village Law;

20 6389, by Senator Padavan, an act
21 to amend Chapter 890 of the Laws of 1982.

22 Senator Spano, from the Committee
23 on Labor, reports:

24 Senate Print 6261, by Senator
25 Spano, an act to amend the Labor Law;

1 6400, by Senator Spano, an act to
2 amend the Labor Law.

3 Senator Volker, from the
4 Committee on Codes, reports:

5 Senate Print 92-A, by Senator
6 Velella, an act to amend the Penal Law;

7 341, by Senator Skelos, an act to
8 amend the Penal Law;

9 414, by Senator Goodman, an act
10 to amend the Penal Law;

11 1187, by Senator Velella, an act
12 to amend the Penal Law;

13 1314, by Senator Velella, an act
14 to amend the Penal Law and the Criminal
15 Procedure Law;

16 1556, by Senator Leibell, an act
17 to amend the Penal Law;

18 1592, by Senator Holland, an act
19 to amend the Public Health Law;

20 2011, by Senator Padavan, an act
21 to amend Penal Law;

22 2074, by Senator Rath, an act to
23 amend the Penal Law;

24 2223, by Senator Padavan, an act
25 to amend the Penal Law;

1 2334-A, Senator Velella, an act
2 to amend the Penal Law;
3 2600, by Senator Velella, an act
4 to amend the Penal Law;
5 3564-A, by Senator Maltese, an
6 act to amend the Penal Law;
7 4917, by Senator Nozzolio, an act
8 to amend the Civil Practice Law and Rules;
9 5180, by Senator Volker, an act
10 to amend the Penal Law;
11 5294, by Senator Nozzolio, an act
12 to amend the Penal Law;
13 5353, by Senator Volker, an act
14 to amend the Criminal Procedure Law;
15 4595-A, by Senator Saland, an act
16 to amend the Criminal Procedure Law;
17 6604, by Senator Volker, an act
18 to amend the Penal Law.
19 Senator Rath, from the Committee
20 on Local Government, reports:
21 Senate Print 1494-A, by Senator
22 Hannon, an act authorizing the county of Nassau;
23 1951-A, by Senator Libous, an act
24 to amend the County Law;
25 2548, by Senator Holland, an act

1 to authorize and direct the town of Ramapo;
2 2795, by Senator Nozzolio, an act
3 to amend the Real Property Tax Law;
4 3998, by Senator Present, an act
5 to amend the Real Property Tax Law;
6 6146, by Senator Libous, an act
7 to amend the County Law;
8 6222, by Senator Volker, an act
9 to amend the Local Finance Law;
10 6227, by Senator Hannon, an act
11 in relation to permitting;
12 6263, by Senator Hannon, an act
13 in relation to authorizing;
14 6281, by Senator Leibell, an act
15 to amend the Real Property Tax Law;
16 6304, by Senator Johnson, an act
17 to authorize the Freedom Chapel Assembly of God;
18 6336, by Senator Leibell, an act
19 to amend Chapter 680 of the Laws of 1996.
20 Senator Present, from the
21 Committee on Commerce, Economic Development and
22 Small Business, reports:
23 Senate Print 764, by Senator
24 Present, an act to amend the State
25 Administrative Procedure Act;

1 3685, by Senator LaValle, an act
2 to amend the Public Authorities Law;

3 6467, by Senator Saland, an act
4 to amend Chapter 705 of the Laws of 1993.

5 All bills directly for third
6 reading.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: All bills
8 ordered directly to third reading.

9 Reports of select committees.

10 Communications and reports from
11 state officers.

12 Motions and resolutions.

13 Senator Skelos.

14 SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President,
15 at this time may we please adopt the Resolution
16 Calendar with the exception of Resolution 2924.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
18 motion is to accept the Resolution Calendar on
19 the desks of the members with the exception of
20 Resolution Number 2924. All those in favor
21 signify by saying aye.

22 (Response of "Aye".)

23 Opposed, nay.

24 (There was no response.)

25 The Resolution Calendar is

1 adopted.

2 Senator Skelos.

3 SENATOR SKELOS: On behalf of
4 Senator Bruno, may we please have the title read
5 on Resolution 2924 and move for its immediate
6 adoption.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
8 Secretary will read the title to Resolution
9 Number 2924.

10 THE SECRETARY: By Senator Bruno,
11 Legislative Resolution commending the Arthritis
12 Foundation upon the occasion of its 50th
13 anniversary.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Is there
15 any Senator wishing to speak on the resolution?

16 (There was no response.)

17 Hearing none, the question is on
18 the resolution. All those in favor signify by
19 saying aye.

20 (Response of "Aye".)

21 Opposed, nay.

22 (There was no response.)

23 The resolution is adopted.

24 SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator

1 Skelos.

2 SENATOR SKELOS: On Senator
3 Bruno's resolution, if anybody would like to
4 sponsor it, they should notify the desk.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL:
6 Resolution Number 2924 is open for the sponsor
7 ship by members. I see many members raising
8 their hands, Senator Skelos. Would you like to
9 put all the members on rather than those who
10 don't wish? Shall we put all the members on,
11 Senator Skelos?

12 SENATOR SKELOS: If anybody would
13 not like to be on the resolution, please notify
14 the desk.

15 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: All the
16 members will be included as co-sponsors on
17 Resolution Number 2924, excepting those members
18 who specifically designate to the desk that they
19 don't wish to be sponsors.

20 Senator Skelos.

21 SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President,
22 are there any substitutions to the made?

23 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: There are
24 not. That brings us to the calendar, Senator.

25 SENATOR SKELOS: Okay. We'll

1 start the non-controversial calendar.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
3 Secretary will read the non-controversial
4 calendar.

5 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
6 323, by the Assembly Committee on Rules,
7 Assembly Print 8094-A, an act to amend the
8 Executive Law, in relation to establishing
9 Children's Day as a day of commemoration.

10 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Lay the
11 bill aside, please.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Lay the
13 bill aside.

14 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
15 347, by Senator Alesi, Senate Print 5122-C, an
16 act to amend the General Business Law and the
17 Executive Law.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
19 Secretary will read the last section.

20 THE SECRETARY: Section 6. This
21 act shall take effect on the first day of
22 January.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
24 roll.

25 (The Secretary called the roll.)

1 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 49.

2 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
3 is passed.

4 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
5 358, by Senator Volker, Senate Print 6110, an
6 act to amend the Local Finance Law, in relation
7 to the sale of bonds.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: There is
9 a home rule message at the desk. The Secretary
10 will read the last section.

11 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
12 act shall take effect immediately.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
14 roll.

15 (The Secretary called the roll.)

16 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 49.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
18 is passed.

19 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
20 367, by Senator Rath, Senate Print 4412-A, an
21 act to amend the Civil Practice Law and Rules
22 and the Executive Law.

23 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
24 Secretary will read the last section.

25 THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This

1 act shall take effect on the first day of
2 January.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
4 roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 50.

7 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
8 is passed.

9 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
10 379, by Senator LaValle, Senate Print 3134, an
11 act to amend the General Municipal Law.

12 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
13 Secretary will read the last section.

14 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
15 act shall take effect immediately.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
17 roll.

18 (The Secretary called the roll.)

19 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 50.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
21 is passed.

22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
23 388, by Senator Johnson, Senate Print 2884-A, an
24 act to amend the Education Law, in relation to
25 authorizing.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
2 Secretary will read the last section.

3 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
4 act shall take effect on the first day of
5 November.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
7 roll.

8 (The Secretary called the roll.)

9 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Record
10 the negative. Announce the results.

11 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 52, nays 1,
12 Senator Leichter recorded in the negative.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
14 is passed.

15 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
16 403, by Senator Lack, Senate Print 5162-A, an
17 act to amend -

18 SENATOR SKELOS: Lay it aside for
19 the day.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Lay the
21 bill aside for the day.

22 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
23 408, by Senator Johnson, Senate Print 6252, an
24 act to amend Chapter 572 of the Laws of 1994.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The

1 Secretary will read the last section.

2 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
3 act shall take effect immediately.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
5 roll.

6 (The Secretary called the roll.)

7 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 53.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
9 is passed.

10 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
11 409, by Senator Holland, Senate Print 6326, an
12 act to amend Chapter 433 of the Laws of 1997.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
14 Secretary will read the last section.

15 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
16 act shall take effect immediately.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
18 roll.

19 (The Secretary called the roll.)

20 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 53.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
22 is passed.

23 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
24 413, by Senator Saland, Senate Print 4519-A, an
25 act to amend the Domestic Relations Law.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
2 Secretary will read the last section.

3 THE SECRETARY: Section 47. This
4 act shall take effect immediately.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
6 roll.

7 (The Secretary called the roll.)

8 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 53.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
10 is passed.

11 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
12 414 -

13 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
14 Meier, did you wish to be recorded in the
15 negative on Calendar Number 413?

16 SENATOR MEIER: That's correct.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Without
18 objection, hearing no objection, Senator Wright
19 will be recorded in the negative on Calendar
20 Number 413.

21 THE SECRETARY: Those recorded in
22 the negative on Calendar Number 413 are Senators
23 DeFrancisco, Meier and Wright. Also, Senator
24 Farley. Ayes 49, nays 4.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill

1 is passed.

2 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
3 414, by Senator Saland, Senate Print 5175, an
4 act to amend the Domestic Relations Law.

5 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
6 Secretary will read the last section.

7 THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This
8 act shall take effect in 90 days.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
10 roll.

11 (The Secretary called the roll.)

12 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 53.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
14 is passed.

15 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
16 415, by Senator Kuhl, Senate Print 901, an act
17 to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law, in
18 relation to authorizing the operation of farm
19 motor vehicles.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
21 Secretary will read the last section.

22 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
23 act shall take effect immediately.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
25 roll.

1 (The Secretary called the roll.)

2 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 54.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
4 is passed.

5 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
6 417, by Senator Rath, Senate Print 3671, an act
7 to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law, in
8 relation to mandatory suspension.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
10 Secretary will read the last section.

11 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
12 act shall take effect on the first day of
13 November.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
15 roll.

16 (The Secretary called the roll.)

17 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 54.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
19 is passed.

20 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
21 421, by Senator Farley, Senate Print 1825, an
22 act to amend the Public Officers Law, in
23 relation to power of the state legislators.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
25 Secretary will read the last section.

1 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
2 act shall take effect immediately.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
4 roll.

5 (The Secretary called the roll.)

6 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 53, nays 1,
7 Senator Cook recorded in the negative.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
9 is passed.

10 SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, I
11 believe Calendar Number 323 was inadvertently
12 laid aside. Could we bring that up at this
13 time.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: We'll
15 return to Calendar Number 323. The Secretary
16 will read the title.

17 THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
18 323, by the Assembly Committee on Rules,
19 Assembly Print 8094-A, an act to amend the
20 Executive Law, in relation to establishing
21 Children's Day as a day of commemoration.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
23 Secretary will read the last section.

24 THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
25 act shall take effect immediately.

1 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Call the
2 roll.

3 (The Secretary called the roll.)

4 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
5 DeFrancisco to explain his vote.

6 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes. I'm
7 going to vote in the affirmative, but I just
8 wanted to give a little history about this bill
9 because it's sort of interesting. It may be
10 interesting to the students who are here with
11 us.

12 Back 11 years ago, a fourth grade
13 class in Syracuse, New York, as a school project
14 proposed a bill that -- this bill actually to my
15 predecessor saying that a day should be set
16 aside as an observance for Children's Day. That
17 bill was -- never passed both houses, I should
18 say.

19 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
20 DeFrancisco, can we have a little order in the
21 chamber, please? Will the members please take
22 their seats. If they need to have a
23 conversation, would you take the conversation
24 out of the chamber. Show a little respect to
25 the Senator who has the floor for the purposes

1 of explaining his vote.

2 Thank you, Senator DeFrancisco.

3 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: So it
4 didn't pass during my predecessor's term in
5 office, and I picked it up six years ago and
6 we've been consistently passing this bill in the
7 New York State Senate.

8 This year the Assembly passed the
9 bill as well, designating the first Sunday in
10 June as Children's Day. The students whose
11 project this bill arose under were, I believe
12 eight years old at the time. They're now 19 and
13 finally Sylvia -- excuse me -- Tina Norton's
14 fourth grade class has a bill that they proposed
15 that will become law of the state of New York
16 and wherever they are, I commend them for their
17 courage. I was just concerned that maybe they
18 would be here in the Senate or the Assembly
19 passing their own bill if we didn't work on it
20 any quicker.

21 So the bill is passed. I'm very
22 pleased to say that this was citizen input,
23 young people's input that made it happen.

24 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
25 DeFrancisco will be recorded in the

1 affirmative. Announce the results.

2 THE SECRETARY: Ayes 54.

3 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The bill
4 is passed.

5 SENATOR GOODMAN: Mr. President.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
7 Goodman, why do you rise?

8 SENATOR GOODMAN: I would like to
9 make an announcement. There will be an
10 immediate meeting of the Committee on
11 Investigations, Taxation and Government
12 Operations in Room 332, the Majority Conference
13 Room.

14 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: There
15 will be an immediate meeting of the Committee on
16 Investigations in the Majority Conference Room,
17 Room 332.

18 Senator Volker.

19 SENATOR VOLKER: Mr. President,
20 immediately after the meeting that Senator
21 Goodman just announced, there will be another
22 committee meeting in the same place, in 332, the
23 Social Services Committee, Social Services
24 Committee by Senator Holland.

25 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Social

1 Services Committee will meet immediately
2 following the Committee on Taxation in Room 332,
3 the Majority Conference Room.

4 SENATOR VOLKER: Yes, after this
5 meeting that's going on right now.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: It's
7 getting confusing, Senator Volker.

8 SENATOR VOLKER: Would you like
9 to recognize the clergy now for the -

10 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: We
11 would. If all the members would please stand.
12 We're very, very pleased and honored to have the
13 Reverend Kirkpatrick G. Cohall, Pastor of the
14 Lenox Road Baptist Church from Brooklyn, New
15 York, to deliver the prayer today.

16 REVEREND KIRKPATRICK G. COHALL:
17 Let us pray. O God, creator of the heavens and
18 the earth and all therein, we Your servants give
19 You thanks for all Your goodness and Your love
20 and kindness to us and to all whom You have
21 made.

22 We bless You for our creation,
23 our preservation and the blessing of this life
24 and we pray, O God, give us such an awareness of
25 Your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts,

1 we may show forth Your praise by giving up
2 ourselves to Your service and by walking before
3 You in truth, justice and righteousness.

4 We ask this day that You will
5 grant wisdom to all of those who deliberate the
6 state of affairs of this great state. We ask
7 Your blessing on all our elected officials
8 chosen by the people and by You to lead and
9 serve this state and this country.

10 May we be reminded of the great
11 words from the Psalms that except God builds a
12 house, the laborers labor in vain.

13 Therefore, O God, grant us all a
14 discerning heart that we may truly be
15 instruments of Your peace and Your grace this
16 day and for the rest of our lives. Amen.

17 SENATOR VOLKER: Mr. President.

18 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
19 Volker.

20 SENATOR VOLKER: Is there any
21 housekeeping?

22 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
23 Volker.

24 SENATOR VOLKER: Mr. President, I
25 think we should stand at ease pending the

1 reports of the two committees that just went
2 out, Investigations, Taxation and Government
3 Operations and Social Services and when we come
4 back, if there's nothing else, we will adjourn
5 until tomorrow at 11:00 a.m.

6 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The
7 Senate will stand at ease awaiting the two
8 committee reports.

9 SENATOR VOLKER: Recognize
10 Senator Paterson, please, for an announcement.

11 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Before we
12 stand at ease, Senator Paterson.

13 SENATOR PATERSON: Mr. President,
14 there will be a conference of the Minority in
15 the Minority Conference Room at the close of
16 session. So for those who are going to
17 committee meetings or leaving the area at this
18 time, immediately at the close of session, there
19 will be a Minority Conference meeting in Room
20 314, the Minority Conference Room.

21 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: At the
22 close of session, there will be a meeting of the
23 Minority Conference in the Minority Conference
24 Room, Room 314. The Senate will stand at ease.

25 (Whereupon, the Senate stood at

1 ease from 3:24 p.m. to 3:36 p.m.)

2 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senate
3 will come to order.

4 Senator Larkin.

5 SENATOR LARKIN: Mr. President,
6 may we now return to reports of standing
7 committees.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: We'll
9 return to the reports of standing committees.
10 I'll ask the Secretary to read the reports of
11 the two committees that are at the desk.

12 THE SECRETARY: Senator Goodman,
13 from the Committee on Investigations, Taxation
14 and Government Operations, reports:

15 Senate Print 5809-B, by Senator
16 Rath, an act to amend the Tax Law;

17 6478, by Senator Wright, an act
18 to amend the Tax Law;

19 6479, by Senator Wright, an act
20 to amend the Tax Law;

21 6481, by Senator Wright, an act
22 to amend the Tax Law;

23 6504, by Senator Nozzolio, an act
24 to amend Chapter 55 of the Laws of 1992;

25 3680, by Senator Goodman, an act

1 to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law.

2 Senator Holland, from the
3 Committee on Social Services, reports.

4 Senate Print 6584-A, by Senator
5 Maziarz, an act to amend the Social Services
6 Law.

7 All bills directly for third
8 reading.

9 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: All bills
10 are ordered directly to third reading.

11 Senator Larkin.

12 SENATOR LARKIN: Mr. President,
13 is there any housekeeping?

14 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: The desk
15 is clean, Senator Larkin.

16 SENATOR LARKIN: Can we return to
17 motions and resolutions and recognize Senator
18 Goodman, please.

19 SENATOR GOODMAN: Mr. President,
20 briefly I would like to just say a quick word
21 about two resolutions which passed earlier
22 today.

23 The first of these relates to a
24 lady whose name is Jeannette D. Kahlenberg who
25 served for 11 years as the executive director of

1 the Citizens Union of New York. Jeannette
2 Kahlenberg who was executive director served
3 with great distinction.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
5 Goodman, it's very, very difficult to hear you.
6 If we could have it a little quiet in the
7 chamber. If there are needs for conversations,
8 please take them out of the chamber.

9 Senator Goodman, I would just
10 remind you that this is a new sound system, so
11 you really need to speak very up a little bit.

12 The Chair recognizes Senator
13 Goodman.

14 SENATOR GOODMAN: Thank you, Mr.
15 President.

16 I'm pleased to say a word on
17 behalf of a resolution honoring the retirement
18 of Jeannette Kahlenberg as the executive
19 director of the Citizens Union of New York.

20 Miss Kahlenberg has had a
21 distinguished career. She was a graduate of
22 Wellesley College, got her Master's degree from
23 Columbia and as the executive director of
24 Citizens Union presided with great distinction
25 over the affairs of this extremely important

1 civic organization.

2 Her retirement calls to mind her
3 many years of dedicated services, and I wish to
4 simply underline for the body the remarkable
5 work that she has done and have us long remember
6 and honor her for that.

7 Secondly, I would like to speak
8 to the resolution honoring Jane Alexander who is
9 recently retired as the chairman of the National
10 Endowment for the Arts. She has been in the
11 Endowment fighting for artistic freedom and has
12 been the leading spokesperson for the
13 advancement of arts and culture in the United
14 States.

15 Under her leadership, the Arts
16 Endowment began a partnership with the
17 Department of Justice and Education which has
18 served at-risk youth through the arts and
19 greatly improved art education, research and
20 development.

21 She has successfully reorganized
22 the Arts Endowment to emphasize partnerships and
23 cross-disciplinary initiatives, including many
24 exceptionally note worthy efforts to upgrade
25 arts in the United States.

1 In every way she's been a
2 dedicated public servant. Many of you will
3 remember her for her starring role in "The
4 Sisters Rosensweig", a Broadway hit play which
5 won many Tony Awards and in general it's a
6 source of great pleasure and a matter of
7 substantial honor to be paid her since she is
8 both a gifted actress and an individual who
9 devoted five years of her life to the
10 advancement of the arts in the United States of
11 America.

12 Thank you, Mr. President.

13 SENATOR LARKIN: There being no
14 further business, the Senate will adjourn until
15 Wednesday, March the 25th, at 11:00 a.m.

16 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Senator
17 Paterson.

18 SENATOR PATERSON: I just wanted
19 -- my counsel, Senator Marchi, reminded me that
20 the Minority is having a conference right after
21 session.

22 ACTING PRESIDENT KUHL: Once
23 again, there will be a Minority Conference in
24 the Minority Conference Room, Room 314,
25 immediately upon adjournment and without

1 objection, the Senate stands adjourned until
2 tomorrow, Wednesday, 11:00 a.m., reminding
3 members of the Majority that there is a planned
4 conference of the Majority at 10:00 a.m. prior
5 to session. The Senate stands adjourned.

6 (Whereupon, at 3:41 p.m., the
7 Senate adjourned.)

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