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EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

SENATOR ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS, Acting President

ANGELO J. APONTE, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: The Senate will please come to order.

I ask everyone present to rise and recite with me the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

(Whereupon, the assemblage recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: In the absence of clergy, may we all bow our heads for a moment of silence.

(Whereupon, the assemblage respected a moment of silence.)

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: Thank you.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Madam President, is there a proclamation from the Governor at the desk?

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: Yes, Senator Klein, there is a proclamation here at the desk.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: "Pursuant to the

power vested in me by Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution, I hereby convene the Senate of the State of New York in Extraordinary Session at the Capitol, in the City of Albany, on the twenty-seventh day of June, two thousand nine, at one o'clock, for the purpose of considering nominations I will submit with respect to various positions and for the consideration of such other nominations or legislation as I may recommend.

"Given under my hand and the privy seal of the State, in the City of Albany this twenty-sixth day of June in the year two thousand nine, by the Governor, David A. Paterson."

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: The proclamation having been read, the Senate is in extraordinary session.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Madam President, before we adjourn today, I would like to address the nominees that the Governor has asked to join us in the gallery today.

As you know, the Governor has

called us into extraordinary session. And unfortunately, the Senate is in an extraordinary place right now. I want to apologize to you for coming out here today. But I do want to personally thank you for being part of our process.

I think I speak for both sides of the aisle when I say that we're all working hard to come to a resolution, and I look forward to inviting you back so we can properly take your wonderful qualifications into consideration.

Madam President, I move that we adjourn the special session sine die.

ACTING PRESIDENT STEWART-COUSINS: On motion, this fifth extraordinary session is adjourned sine die.

(Whereupon, at 1:06 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)