

1 NEW YORK STATE SENATE

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9 ALBANY, NEW YORK

10 November 30, 2009

11 2:22 p.m.

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14 EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

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18 SENATOR DAVID J. VALESKY, Acting President

19 ANGELO J. APONTE, Secretary

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

2 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: The
3 Senate will please come to order.

4 I ask everyone present to please
5 rise and recite with me the Pledge of
6 Allegiance.

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

9 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: Father
10 Peter G. Young, of Mother Teresa Community
11 here in Albany, is with us this afternoon to
12 provide the invocation.

13 REVEREND YOUNG: Thank you,
14 Senator.

15 Let us pray.

16 On this last day of November, as we
17 gather here, may we ask You, God, that we have
18 been created by You and You have given us the
19 command to love one another.

20 We're also called to take care of
21 the needy. And in our desire to make us share
22 in this love, God calls us to aid, in gentle
23 kindness, all those that are weak, sick or
24 unfortunate. In God's love of us, we're

1 called to help the least among us and show
2 them mercy.

3 Amen.

4 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: The
5 reading of the Journal.

6 The Secretary will read.

7 THE SECRETARY: In Senate,
8 Sunday, November 29, the Senate, in
9 Extraordinary Session, met pursuant to
10 adjournment. The Journal of Saturday,
11 November 28, was read and approved. On
12 motion, Senate adjourned.

13 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: With
14 out objection, the Journal stands approved as
15 read.

16 Senator Klein.

17 SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President,
18 can you please recognize Senator Larkin for a
19 very brief announcement.

20 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: Certa
21 inly.

22 Senator Larkin.

23 SENATOR LARKIN: Thank you very
24 much, Mr. President.

1 Yesterday, in the State of
2 Washington, Tacoma, outside of Fort Lewis,
3 Washington, four police officers -- three
4 male, one female -- sitting at a table to
5 discuss the priorities of the day were shot
6 and killed in view of the public.

7 I think that a moment of silence is
8 in order to show respect for the number of law
9 enforcement officers who are being killed.

10 But specifically, at this time of
11 the year and how they were murdered is
12 certainly something that we as a nation should
13 be ashamed of. And we should do everything to
14 strengthen the law enforcement efforts so that
15 these things do not continue.

16 Thank you, Mr. President.

17 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: At
18 Senator Larkin's suggestion, would all present
19 please rise to observe a moment of silence for
20 the law enforcement officers who were recently
21 murdered and all law enforcement officers who
22 put their lives on the line each and every day
23 for each and every one of us.

24 (Whereupon, the assemblage rose and

1 respected a moment of silence.)

2 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: Senat
3 or Klein.

4 SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President,
5 while meetings and negotiations continue on
6 the deficit reduction plan, can we please
7 stand at ease.

8 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: The
9 Senate shall stand at ease.

10 (Whereupon, the Senate stood at
11 ease at 2:28 p.m.)

12 (Whereupon, the Senate reconvened
13 at 6:02 p.m.)

14 ACTING PRESIDENT VALESKY: Senat
15 or Klein.

16 SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President,
17 I'd like to inform the Senate that we will
18 adjourn at the call of the Temporary
19 President. On motion, the Senate stands
20 adjourned at the call of the Temporary
21 President, intervening days being legislative
22 days.

23 (Whereupon, at 6:03 p.m., the Senate Adjourned)

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