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REGULAR SESSION

SENATOR CRAIG M. JOHNSON, Acting President

ANGELO J. APONTE, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: 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 JOHNSON: In the absence of clergy, may we all bow our heads in a moment of silence.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: The reading of the Journal.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Wednesday, March 24, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Tuesday, March 23, was read and approved. On motion, Senate adjourned.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Without objection, the Journal stands approved as read.

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.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

On behalf of Senator Smith, I move that the following bills be discharged from their respective committees and be recommitted with instructions to strike the enacting clause: Senate Number 7088.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: So ordered.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: On behalf of Senator Espada, I move to amend Senate Bill Number 6168A by striking out the amendments made on March 10th and restoring it to its original print number, 6168.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: So ordered.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Stachowski, I move that the following bill be discharged from its respective committee and be recommitted with instructions to strike the enacting clause: Senate Number 1946.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: So ordered.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President, can we please move to a reading of the calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: We have substitutions to make first, Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Please make the substitutions.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: The Secretary will read the substitutions.

THE SECRETARY: On page 20, Senator Diaz moves to discharge, from the Committee on Insurance, Assembly Bill Number 217 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 5456, Third Reading Calendar 289.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Substitution so ordered.

The Secretary will now read the noncontroversial calendar.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 278, by Senator Oppenheimer, Senate Print 6868 --

SENATOR KLEIN: Lay the bill aside for the day, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: The bill is laid aside for the day.

The Secretary will continue to read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 283, by Member of the Assembly Brodsky, Assembly Print Number 4217, an act to amend the General Municipal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: The bill is passed.

Senator Klein, that now completes the reading of the noncontroversial calendar.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Ruth Hassell-Thompson, there will be a Majority conference in the Majority Conference Room at 7:00 p.m.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: There will be a Majority conference at 7:00 p.m. in the Majority Conference Room.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Mr. President, is there any further business at the desk?

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: Senator Klein, the desk is clear.

SENATOR KLEIN: There being no further business, Mr. President, I move that we adjourn until Friday, March 26th, at 11:00 a.m.

ACTING PRESIDENT JOHNSON: There being no further business to come before the Senate, on motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Friday, March 26th, at 11:00 a.m.

(Whereupon, at 3:53 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)