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FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary

P R O C E E D I N G S

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will come to order.

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

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, I feel very honored today to have with us a unique spiritual leader who is truly revered around the world.

His Holiness Brahmrishi founded one of the largest spiritual institutes in India. He has devoted his life to improving human welfare among people of all faiths and religions. He has inspired millions of people around the world to dedicate their lives to helping others.

It is an honor and pleasure to have him join us today and deliver the invocation for our session.

Your Holiness.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you.

Your Holiness.

BRAHMRISHI SHRI KUMAR SWAMI JI: Respected Senators [in Hindi].

MS. BHALLA: Good afternoon, Senators. You have just heard Param Pujya Shri Kumar Swami Ji, one of the most renowned spiritual leaders of India, deliver his invocation prayer in Hindi.

At the outset, His Holiness expressed his gratitude and said: "Esteemed Senators of New York have shown enormous graciousness by inviting me to this chamber. Millions of people around the world salute you and express their gratitude for the great love and affection you have all shown towards me. I also express my sincere gratitude to the government of New York State, its generous people, its scientists, and the intellectuals of this great country."

Then His Holiness offered the following prayer: "O God, please guard and guide all members of the Senate of the State of New York. Instill in them the wisdom, the

courage, and the right spirit so the political activity in this esteemed Senate can be a powerful instrument for human transformation and contribute to the physical and spiritual well-being of the citizens of this great state and this great country.

"May this body continue to embrace diversity without resulting in divisiveness. May this Senate seek and celebrate unity without imposing uniformity. May these Senators work to the best of their abilities without becoming attached to the fruits of their work. May they promote justice, moral clarity, ethical living, acts of kindness, and most of all righteousness. Because where there is righteousness in the heart, there is beauty in the character. Where there is beauty in the character, there is harmony in the home. Where there is harmony in the home, there is order in the nation. And where there is order in the nation, there is peace in the world."

(Applause.)

MS. BHALLA: Thank you.

And now, on behalf of the entire

Indian-American community across New York State and the United States, may I please take this opportunity to thank Majority Leader Senator Dean Skelos for leading the effort to honor His Holiness in this august body.

I would also like to thank all other Senators who have supported the resolution honoring His Holiness. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, we have a few items to run through. But I would ask His Holiness if he could stay. We will be adopting a resolution in about 30 seconds honoring him for his visit today.

If we could go to the reading of the Journal, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Reading of the Journal.

THE SECRETARY: In Senate, Sunday, May 1st, the Senate met pursuant to adjournment. The Journal of Saturday, April 30th, was read and approved. On motion,

Senate adjourned.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: 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 Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, there's a Resolution 1165, which I've sponsored. If we could have it read in its entirety and move for its immediate adoption.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative Resolution Number 1165, by Senator Skelos, welcoming and commending His Holiness Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji upon the occasion of delivering the invocation at the opening of the session of the New York State

Senate on May 2, 2011.

"WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals of religious commitment who accept the responsibility of moral leadership and render the wisdom of human understanding; and

"WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is honored to welcome and commend His Holiness Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji upon the occasion of delivering the invocation at the opening of the session of the New York State Senate on May 2, 2011; and

"WHEREAS, Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji is the founder of the Bhagwan Shree Lakshami Narayan Dham, one of the largest spiritual institutes in India dedicated to the welfare of people of all faiths and religions, with an outstanding and inspiring record of community service; and

"WHEREAS, This prominent spiritual leader is one of the most scholarly figures of world religions who holds devout lectures across India, Europe, the United States and Canada which are attended by tens of thousands

of people and are watched by millions on television; and

"WHEREAS, Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji is one of the most renowned scholars of Ayurveda, India's 5,000-year-old system of medicine, and is an inspiration behind medical research being done to bridge the gap between the Eastern and Western medicine; and

"WHEREAS, Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji has been recognized and acclaimed with honors, awards, and accolades by organizations and governmental bodies at the local, state, national and international level; and

"WHEREAS, The spiritual guidance and nurturing of the citizens of the State of New York is of great importance to the vitality and well-being of our communities; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend His Holiness Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji upon the occasion of delivering the invocation at the opening of the session of the New York State Senate on May 2, 2011, and be it further

"RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to His Holiness Brahmrishi Shri Kumar Swami Ji."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: On the resolution, all in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Again, we thank His Holiness for being here.

We will take a five-minute break. If any members wish to take a picture, we'll do so right by the clock.

So again, thank you very much.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate stands at ease.

(Whereupon, the Senate stood at ease at 3:20 p.m.)

(Whereupon, the Senate reconvened at 3:29 p.m.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate will come to order.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, the previously adopted resolution, if we could open it up for sponsorship. Anybody who wishes not to sponsor the resolution, they should notify the desk.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The previous resolution is open to cosponsorship. If you choose not to be a cosigner, please notify the desk.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk. If we could have it read in its entirety and move for its immediate adoption.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative resolution by Senator Skelos, memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 2, 2011, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the State of New York.

"WHEREAS, from 1933 to 1945, 5.8 million Jews were murdered in the Nazi Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide, and millions of other people also perished as victims of Nazism; and

"WHEREAS, Jews who fell under German control in Eastern and Central Europe were quickly stripped of their rights and property; and

"WHEREAS, The Jews who perished at Nazi hands comprised two-thirds of all European Jewry, and in countries such as Poland, which before the Second World War included parts of the Ukraine and Belarus, the Jewish death toll surpassed 90 percent; and

"WHEREAS, The people of the State of New York should always remember the atrocities committed by the Nazis so that such horrors are never repeated; and

"WHEREAS, Those who survived the killing camps tell us that as many people walked to their deaths, their last words were 'Remember us'; and

"WHEREAS, The year 2011 marks the 78th anniversary of the beginning of the

genocide of European Jews, the darkest, most murderous moment in history; and

"WHEREAS, We learn in the aftermath of the Holocaust that indifference to genocide cannot be tolerated. Holocaust remembrance imposes a moral obligation to speak out; and

"WHEREAS, The Holocaust represents the darkest period in the civilization of mankind and must always be remembered in order to prevent its reoccurrence anywhere else in the world; and

"WHEREAS, The People of the State of New York should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people; and

"WHEREAS, The People of the State of New York should remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny and recognize that bigotry provides a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

"WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day, known in Hebrew as Yom Hashoah, is a day set aside for remembering the victims of the Holocaust and for reminding New Yorkers, all Americans, and people around the world of what

can happen to civilized people when bigotry, hatred and indifference reign; and

"WHEREAS, Internationally, Holocaust Remembrance Day is observed on the 27th day of Nisan according to the Hebrew calendar, but because it falls on a Sunday, this year it will be observed on Monday, May 2, 2011; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 2, 2011, as Holocaust Remembrance Day in the State of New York; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Thank you, Mr. President.

Of course I would open up the resolution for sponsorship. Anybody that wishes not to sponsor the resolution, they should notify the desk.

My wife and I, when we were driving up this morning, we were listening to the radio. And the commentator mentioned, in connection with the death of Osama bin Laden, that on April 30th, so right in that same period of time, that Adolf Hitler committed suicide.

And we commemorate and we pray for the souls of those who lost their lives in the Holocaust, and we think about what man's inhumanity to man can be. And today we think about the thousands of people that lost their lives on September 11th, and we say thank you to our President, to our intelligence community, and to the Navy Seals that finally brought Osama bin Laden to justice.

So we think about him being executed. He probably deserved more than that. But also all of us in this room reflect upon the lives -- and I think it's even more important -- the lives of our neighbors, our friends, our relatives who were brutally murdered on September 11th.

Almost ten years have passed by. But certainly the leadership in our country --

whether it was President Bush, President Obama, our intelligence community, our military, and the people of this state and this country -- at no time wavered from the prayer and the thought and the wish that this animal would be brought to justice.

So I ask for the adoption of this resolution. We commemorate and we pray for the souls, as I said, of those who -- the lives of 6 million that were destroyed during the Holocaust, and for those who lost their lives on 9/11.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Breslin.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

I join with Senator Skelos on this day after we learned of the execution of Osama bin Laden. Osama bin Laden represented everything that we oppose. And he opposed everything that we stood for -- for freedom, for justice. And September 11, 2001, will always be emblazoned in the hearts and minds of all citizens in the United States, but particularly those in New York.

And this is not the end. We will always treasure the memories of those lost on 9/11. But at least it takes a step towards closure for those men and women we lost and the families who lost loved ones. And it's a giant step, because Osama bin Laden represented everything that's evil in this world. And as I said, he opposed everything that we stand for, and most of all our freedoms.

What it shows the rest of the world and Osama bin Laden and his people is that the United States does not forget its obligations. When it strives for peace, it still must oppose those who strive for war.

So justice in the Holocaust, when so many innocent lives were lost, and that we stand today to honor those lives that were lost, we also stand for those lives that were lost on 9/11, 2001, and praise the fact that we no longer have to deal with an enemy that was led by Osama bin Laden.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Breslin.

Senator Robach.

SENATOR ROBACH: Yes, Mr. President. Let me too join to support this resolution.

Clearly it's very important that we remind ourselves of all the horrors of the Holocaust and when evil goes unchecked. And that the slaughter of innocent people, no matter where and when, should never be acceptable -- not only then, but as a world standard. And we can see in some places of the world what still goes on. There's much work to do. And we should use this as a reminder for that all over the world.

So we continue to need to remind and educate people on this atrocity and others. Recently, just yesterday, in a suburb of Rochester, New York -- Brighton, a very beautiful suburban town, home to many people, but a large population of Jewish Americans, two teens were apprehended burning a swastika that they had made out of wood and material in a park -- completely insensitive, obviously not getting the lesson of what people went through, thinking that it's still okay to do

this.

These kind of things are very, very important for all of us, no matter who we are, where we come from, to make sure atrocities never happen again and I think energize us to ensure, as it says on the wall of the Holocaust Museum, "Never again anywhere."

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Robach.

Are there any other Senators who wish to be heard?

Seeing none, the resolution is open for cosponsorship. If you choose not to be a cosponsor, please notify the desk. All in favor of the resolution signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Mr. President, there's a resolution at the desk by Senator

Martins. If we could have it read in its entirety and move for its immediate adoption.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative resolution by Senator Martins, congratulating boxer champion Herve Duroseau upon the occasion of capturing the Daily News Golden Gloves Title.

"WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those exemplary athletes who excel in the sport of boxing, distinguishing themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

"WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate boxing champion Herve Duroseau upon the occasion of capturing the Daily News Golden Gloves title; and

"WHEREAS, In four previous years of Daily News Golden Gloves competition,

Hempstead, Long Island sanitation employee Herve Duroseau of the Freeport Police Athletic League had never made it to the finals; and

"WHEREAS, On Friday, April 8, 2011, with boxing legends Smokin' Joe Frazier, Mark Breland and Iran Barkley at ringside, 28-year-old Herve Duroseau made the most of his first appearance at the Theater at Madison Square Garden to win a 4-1 decision over Raul Nuncio and take home the 165-pound open crown; and

"WHEREAS, Now with a pair of Golden Gloves to go along with two Metros crowns and an Empire State Games Championship, Herve Duroseau is content to depart from boxing and walk away a champion. Most special was that his mother was in attendance at one of his matches for the first time; and

"WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative

Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate boxing champion Herve Duroseau upon the occasion of capturing the New York Daily News Golden Gloves title; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Herve Duroseau."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Martins.

SENATOR MARTINS: Thank you, Mr. President.

I want to welcome Herve Duroseau and his wife, Natalie, to the chamber here today. They're here with us this afternoon. I'm going to ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing this achievement.

Herve is not only an exemplary member of our community, of our Elmont community, but he really is a true gentleman, husband, father, and a wonderful athlete. Not only do we get to recognize him for, on April 8th, having won the 2011 Daily News Golden Gloves, but he's also won the 2007 and 2010 Metropolitan Championship, the 2010 Long

Island Championship, he earned gold at the 2010 Empire State Games. And now, again, the 2011 Daily News Golden Gloves.

He and his wife, Natalie, are high school sweethearts. They're raising their daughter, Brianna, in the Elmont community. And just another example of one of these community members who has given back time and again to the community. He volunteers in the community, including he and Natalie volunteering at St. Boniface Church. He was a football coach for Elmont football. And he mentors young people in the community.

I have the privilege of calling him a friend and take this opportunity to recognize this wonderful achievement.

As was said, Herve's mother -- I mean, he's fought 70 times, won 60 of them, but this is the first fight that his mother attended. And by winning the Golden Gloves, he is now hanging up the gloves and is formally in retirement. I want to congratulate him on this wonderful achievement and ask my colleagues to join me in doing so.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Skelos.

SENATOR SKELOS: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

I too join in support of the resolution in welcoming you to the chamber today. You've had an exemplary career as a fighter. But even more importantly, you've conducted your own personal life in an exemplary way, your family and certainly within your community, our community of Elmont, which Senator Martins and I share, in working with future generations of boxers and leaders within that great community.

So I'm proud to be a cosponsor of the resolution, proud to have you as a neighboring almost constituent, but proud for your accomplishments both in the ring but even more personally in the home.

So we welcome you today.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the resolution. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO:

Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Welcome and congratulations, champ.

(Standing ovation.)

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: I believe that Senator Nozzolio has a privileged resolution at the desk. He would like it read in its entirety, and would you call on Senator Nozzolio, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative resolution by Senator Nozzolio, congratulating the Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2011 New York State Class C championship.

"WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and

strategic planning; and

"WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this state, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

"WHEREAS, The 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team won its first ever New York State basketball title with a convincing 61-51 over Section IV Harpursville at the Class C tournament finals held at Hudson Valley Community College; and

"WHEREAS, The Panthers of the Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team finished their 2010-2011 season undefeated, with an outstanding 25-0 record; and

"WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team is due in great part to the efforts of its coaching staff: Head Coach Tony Morabito, Assistant Coach

Karin Meuwissen, Assistant Coach Patrick Muldowny, and Assistant Coach Kim Crowley, skilled and inspirational tutors respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

"WHEREAS, The overall record of 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team was outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

"WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, from the opening game of the season to capturing the 2011 New York State Class C Championship, were a sisterhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

"WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school and their community; and

"WHEREAS, The coaching staff of the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team have done a superb job in guiding, molding, and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

"WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team's outstanding athletes have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, its members -- Julia Pagano, Taylor Goebel, Jamie Cannan, Shawna Van Etten, Shannon McGinnis, Tiffany Gregoire, Audrey Allen, Melissa Reeves, Tiffany Burkes, Devlin Vogt, Kourtney Goebel, Jessi Butler, Michelle Suchan, Emily Donnan, Jordyn Ruston, and Lindsey Mason -- and Head Coach Tony Morabito, Assistant Coach Karin Meuwissen, Assistant Coach Patrick Muldowny,

and Assistant Coach Kim Crowley on their outstanding season, overall team record, and capturing the 2011 New York State Class C Championship; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members and coaching staff of the 2010-2011 Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Nozzolio.

SENATOR NOZZOLIO: Thank you, Mr. President. On the resolution.

Mr. President and my colleagues, thank you for joining me in welcoming outstanding athletes, state champions, and exemplary citizens. The young women who represent the Gananda High School Girls' Varsity Basketball Team not only represented their team but, in so doing, in taking their team all the way to the state finals and winning the state championship, the Class C, they showed that they are certainly class athletes and class individuals.

I'd like to make a couple of

special mentions. This is a team that's a team's team. They work well together. You can tell they're all close friends. But they certainly were led by an undeniable talent, one who worked extremely hard and as a senior was an outstanding athlete, was chosen the most outstanding -- not only in Section V, but was named the tournament MVP -- Shannon McGinnis.

Shannon, congratulations to you for your sacrifice and hard work and exemplary example to the entire team. And congratulations for what I know will be a wonderful future in whatever you choose to endeavor.

Head Coach Tony Morabito, while he needs to spend a lot of time being the basketball coach for the Gananda Women's Team, he finds time and has found time for many years to be a volunteer fireman working with the Walworth Fire Department.

Tony, thank you for being such a great coach and wonderful role model, and for giving so much to the community.

As we commemorate and discuss

issues of September 11th, that horrific day brought about many heroes, and those heroes are exemplified in all our volunteer firemen and firewomen from across New York State, across the nation, who are true heroes in that endeavor in that each and every day they put themselves on the line to support their community and to protect their community.

So, Tony, that spirit of public service is one that you bring into the team as you coach and mentor and educate these fine young athletes. And I congratulate you for what you do.

But one person who was not named in the resolution that I would like to mention is the official scorer of the team, and that's Tony's wife, Karen. That she was not mentioned and that I know Tony couldn't do what he needs to do without great support from home. And Karen has taken that support on the road in working with the coach in this becoming a family affair.

I'd also like to thank the athletic director of the Gananda Central School District, John Tichacek, and the

superintendent, Shawn Van Scoy, who are here today to be with the young ladies in recognizing their contributions, recognizing their success.

Congratulations all for a great day for Gananda. Congratulations for being champions of our state and champions in every sense of the word.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Nozzolio.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, I rise in great pain, Senator Nozzolio, because I happen to represent Harpursville. And not only do I represent Harpursville, but my brother-in-law teaches at Harpursville.

And I want to congratulate you ladies for becoming champions. While I am very proud of my Harpursville school team, and I know that they worked hard in Section IV, you obviously beat them. And, Senator Nozzolio, did you have to put in the resolution "a convincing victory"? Couldn't you just say they won?

(Laughter.)

SENATOR LIBOUS: But my congratulations. I tip my hat to all of you. And nice job, well done.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the resolution. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

And we want to congratulate the Gananda Panthers for being with us today on their state championship.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you, Mr. President.

There's another privileged resolution at the desk, Number 1139, by Senator Bonacic. Could we have please read in its entirety and call on Senator Bonacic.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative Resolution Number 1139, by Senator Bonacic, congratulating the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class D Championship.

"WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nourished by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; and

"WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this state, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

"WHEREAS, Ranked number one in New York State all season, the 2010-2011 John A. Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team captured its second Class D Championship

title in three years with an impressive 44-26 victory over Chateaugay at Hudson Valley Community College in the state tournament final; and

"WHEREAS, The Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team won the New York State Class D title in 2009 with a different starting lineup. The 2010-2011 team used its trademark pressure defense to defeat the 19-7 Bulldogs from Chateaugay in this year's championship game; and

"WHEREAS, Known as the "Stateswomen," or "Lady Statesmen," the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team finished the season with a spectacular 20-2 record; and

"WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Guy Leonard, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

"WHEREAS, The overall record of the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls'

Basketball Team was outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

"WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team, from the opening game of the season to capturing the Class D New York State Championship, were a sisterhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

"WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school and their community; and

"WHEREAS Coach Guy Leonard has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team members toward their goals; and

"WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and

accomplishment, and Coach Guy Leonard and the Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team's outstanding athletes have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team, its members, and Coach Guy Leonard on their outstanding season, overall team record, and the Class D New York State Championship; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the 2010-2011 Coleman Catholic Varsity Girls' Basketball Team, and to Coach Guy Leonard."

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Bonacic.

SENATOR BONACIC: Thank you, Mr. President.

It's with great pride that I stand to congratulate the John S. Coleman High School Women's Basketball Team, champions of

Division D.

I don't know what's in the water of your school, but you were here in 2009, you were state champions, and you're here again.

I want to give a special congratulations to Guy Leonard, who is your outstanding coach, who was the Freeman Coach of the Year. Your record was 20 and 2. You were known as "the Stateswomen." I don't know how that title came about. To me, you're the state champions.

But what I liked about your team when I saw the statistics of the final game, the score was pretty close in the first half; then, with a little more than 3 minutes left, your offense took over. The second half, your defense took over. And you won in a dramatic fashion by a score of 44-26.

Now, I know basketball is a team sport. Each and every one of you are the MVPs. You know teamwork, you know hard work, you know dedication. And it takes a team to be champions. But you know, I've seen many teams come here, like we've just seen the women from the championship for the

Division C. But I have not seen a team where one scorer outscored the opposing team. That is highly unusual. Happened to be the Most Valuable Player of the tournament. And Mackenzie Burud, a special congratulations.

But in addition to Mackenzie, we had Katie Shults, who was on the All-Tournament Team. You also had Dana Callahan, Section 9 Sportsmanship Award. And of course Emily and Nicole Curley. That pretty much rounded out the top five. But as I said, you're all MVP players.

I see that your supervisor came, Jim Quigley. Jim, thanks for being here. You're accompanied by some of your parents. I thank them for being here. And I guess Guy's bride is here. Mrs. Leonard, I thank you.

And as an aside, before I conclude, Frank Patience, our Secretary of the Senate, is a graduate of this school. I'm not going to ask Frank whether he played basketball or not. But I want you to know your school is very special. Each and every one of you are very special.

I wish you much success as you

pursue your careers. I'm sure you'll be successful in whatever you do. Thank you.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Larkin.

SENATOR LARKIN: Thank you.

I'm proud to join Senator Bonacic, because I know some of these young folks up here that Mr. Quigley smiles at live in my district.

But, you know, this is a school, by the way, that you should know that 10 years ago the archdiocese said: Fold your tent and go away. They didn't. Some people aren't with us anymore that were with us that night, Jim, when we were in the gymnasium and we said, "Hey, we're not giving up a fight."

And you young ladies are proof what Coleman is all about. Yes, you're here today and we're here to honor you for your achievements in a sport. But we're also here to honor you and your families and friends in making sure that Coleman kept going. Because it is a great academic school, and sports makes it just that much better.

To each and every one of you, congratulations. Don't wear the pride too hard, because next year for some of you it will be tougher.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Larkin.

This resolution was previously adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, April 5th, unanimously.

We want to thank the basketball team for being here. So to all from Coleman Catholic, congratulations and welcome.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you, Mr. President.

I believe there's another resolution by Senator Bonacic at the desk. May we have its title read, please, and move for its adoption.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative resolution by Senator Bonacic, recognizing

Sunday, May 1, 2011, as Law Day USA in the State of New York.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the resolution. All those in favor please signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, there's a resolution at the desk by Senator Grisanti. He would like the title read and move for its immediate adoption, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Legislative resolution by Senator Grisanti, commemorating the 41st Anniversary of Earth Day on April 22, 2011.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The question is on the resolution. All in favor signify by saying aye.

(Response of "Aye.")

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Opposed?

(No response.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The resolution is adopted.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, would you at this time call on Senator Breslin, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Breslin.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Oh, before we do that, I believe Senator Grisanti, if he were in the chamber, he would say that if any members would like to be cosponsor of his resolution -- please notify the desk if you would not want to be on it. So he'd like to open it up for all the members.

And now would you please call on Senator Breslin.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Senate resolution is open to all members. If you choose not to, please indicate by visiting the desk.

Senator Breslin.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

On behalf of Senator Avella, I move that the following bill be discharged from its respective committee and be recommitted with instructions to strike the enacting clause: Bill Number 4835.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Further, Mr. President, I request you call up Calendar Number 195, Assembly Print Number 570.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 195, by Member of the Assembly Wright, Assembly Print Number 570, an act to amend the Public Housing Law.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Mr. President, I now move to reconsider the vote by which the Assembly bill was substituted for my bill.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll on reconsideration.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

SENATOR BRESLIN: I now move that Assembly Bill 570 be recommitted to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development, and my Senate bill be restored to the order of the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Finally, Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Diaz, I wish to call up Print Number 331, recalled from the Assembly, which is now at the desk.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 7, by Senator Diaz, Senate Print 331, an act to amend the Elder Law.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Mr. President, I now move to reconsider the vote by which this bill was passed.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll on reconsideration.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Mr. President, I now offer the following amendments.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Amendments received.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Thank you, Senator Breslin.

Senator Klein.

SENATOR KLEIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

On behalf of Senator Carlucci, I move that the following bill be discharged from its respective committee and be recommitted with instructions to strike the enacting clause: Senate Number 3746.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you, Mr. President. I have several motions also, Mr. President.

On behalf of you, Mr. President, Senator Griffo, on page 22 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 266,

Senate Print 2488A, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill will retain its place on Third Reading.

SENATOR LIBOUS: On behalf of Senator DeFrancisco, Mr. President, on page 16 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 182, Senate Print 2903A, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

SENATOR LIBOUS: On behalf of Senator Maziarz, Mr. President, on page 15 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 143, Senate Print Number 3407, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill will retain its place on Third Reading.

SENATOR LIBOUS: And, Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Zeldin, I move the following bill be discharged from its respective committee and be recommitted with instructions to strike the enacting clause: Senate Print Number 4027.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: So ordered.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, are there any substitutions at the desk? Could we have them read at this time?

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There are.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: On page 12, Senator LaValle moves to discharge, from the Committee on Higher Education, Assembly Print Number 4579 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 2985, Third Reading Calendar Number 94.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Substitution so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: On page 14, Senator Lanza moves to discharge, from the

Committee on Judiciary, Assembly Bill Number 6534 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 3392, Third Reading Calendar 126.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Substitution so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: On page 23, Senator Saland moves to discharge, from the Committee on Codes, Assembly Bill Number 6800 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 4089, Third Reading Calendar 268.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The substitution is so ordered.

THE SECRETARY: And on page 28, Senator Lanza moves to discharge, from the Committee on Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Assembly Bill Number 4731 and substitute it for the identical Senate Bill Number 3745, Third Reading Calendar 336.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Substitution so ordered.

Senator Libous.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you, Mr. President. Could we now move to the reading of the noncontroversial calendar,

please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 38, by Senator Martins, Senate Print 1824, an act to amend the General Municipal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Breslin to explain his vote.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

You know, this is a bill or an area that we worked on a great deal. We passed legislation at the direction of the then Attorney General, Attorney General Cuomo, and we all applauded it at that time.

And I'm sure that this bill is well-intended. However, it increases the number of votes necessary for a change and,

coincidentally, to two beyond what it was changed from the prior. So on that basis alone, I think I would disagree with it.

In addition, it's now only allowing 60 days to go out and obtain signatures.

Also, it appears that the days involved we could implement, under the existing legislation, legislation within 180 days. This bill would give 360 days plus allow increments beyond that of 90 days.

And I believe that we all agree here that it's time, in order to make towns more efficient, villages, cities more efficient, that we begin to bring consolidation together. And we applauded the Attorney General at the time.

I think this does nothing more than waters it down. And accordingly, I will be voting in the negative.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Krueger to explain her vote.

SENATOR LIZ KRUEGER: Thank you, Mr. President. I too rise to explain that I am voting no on this bill.

When we did pass the legislation in 2009 to allow local governments to dissolve or to merge, the intention was to provide a mechanism for communities, recognizing that their local costs and their local taxes were excessive, to be able to streamline too many layers of government at the local level.

As I read this bill, the changes being proposed to that law would literally gut the bill, the intention of our existing law, and make it impossible for communities to accomplish this goal.

Given that we constantly hear -- again, constantly hear, both sides of the aisle, that property taxes and other local taxes are too high, and that the identified key issue is an overproduction of government levels, we need to ensure that communities have the ability to streamline and decrease the number of layers of government at the local level to accomplish the public service goals of government without an overabundance or an overproduction of staff requiring too many resources.

So frankly, this bill will put us

back in time rather than move us forward. I vote no.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Krueger and Senator Breslin to be recorded in the negative.

Senator Stewart-Cousins to explain her vote.

SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I rise also to -- I will be voting against this bill.

And I do want to commend Senator Martins for dealing with some of the issues. Because again, when the Attorney General's bill came forward, I was privileged to be able to sponsor the bill because we all understand that we have over 10,000 local taxing districts, all of which were doing different things. That bill made it a streamlined process, and it put the power in the hands of the citizenry.

When we first began this discussion in January -- with some amendments, because there are some things that can be done -- I mentioned in committee at that time that I was

concerned that the study commission would delay the process. I was also concerned that the study commission did not empower citizens, because in the study commission are only the elected people, and many of the people who might be impacted in consolidation.

We need to make sure that this bill is right so that people can take advantage of consolidation and dissolution. But it cannot take power from the citizens, it cannot prolong a process, it can't make a situation that is difficult even worse.

And that's why I am voting no.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Stewart-Cousins to be recorded in the negative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 38, those recorded in the negative are Senators Adams, Addabbo, Avella, Breslin, Carlucci, Dilan, Duane, Espaillat, Gianaris, Hassell-Thompson, Huntley, Klein, L. Krueger, C. Kruger, Little, Montgomery, Parker, Peralta, Perkins, Rivera, Sampson, Serrano, Squadron, Stavisky, Stewart-Cousins,

and Valesky.

Ayes, 34. Nays, 26.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

The Secretary will read.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 91, by Senator Young, Senate Print 770, an act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 94, substituted earlier today by Member of the Assembly Canestrari, Assembly Print Number 4579, an act to amend the Education Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 5. This

act shall take effect on the 120th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 126, substituted earlier today by Member of the Assembly Abbate, Assembly Print Number 6534, an act to amend the New York City Civil Court Act.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 126, those recorded in the negative are Senators Addabbo, Duane, C. Kruger and Montgomery. Also Senator

Perkins.

Ayes, 55. Nays, 5.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 154, by Senator LaValle, Senate Print 806, an act to amend the Town Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 58. Nays, 2. Senators Rivera and Stewart-Cousins recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 178, by Senator Nozzolio, Senate Print 3463, an act to amend the Penal Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This

act shall take effect on the 15th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 56. Nays, 4. Senators Montgomery, Parker, Perkins and Squadron recorded in the negative.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 195, by Senator Espaillat, Senate Print 3114, an act to amend the Public Housing Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 196, by Senator Grisanti, Senate Print 3133A, an act to amend the Public Housing Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Breslin, do you wish to explain your vote?

SENATOR BRESLIN: No, I'll wait.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Breslin.

SENATOR BRESLIN: Thank you, Mr. President.

After a distinguished and long career in the New York State Assembly, this is the first bill for Senator Espaillat to have passed here in the Senate body. And I would respectfully request that that be acknowledged.

(Applause.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: In relation to Calendar Number 196, those recorded in the

negative are Senators Adams, Addabbo, Avella, Breslin, Dilan, Espaillat, Gianaris, Hassell-Thompson, L. Krueger, Montgomery, Parker, Perkins, Rivera, Serrano, Squadron, Stavisky, and Stewart-Cousins.

Ayes, 43. Nays, 17.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 198, by Senator Young, Senate Print 847, an act to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 257, by Senator Golden, Senate Print 3402, an act to amend the Retirement and Social Security Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 268, substituted earlier today by Member of the Assembly Meng, Assembly Print Number 6800, an act to amend Chapter 74 of the Laws of 2007.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Adams.

SENATOR ADAMS: I just want to

explain my vote.

And I really want to commend my colleague Senator Saland on this bill. The issues around human trafficking is something that we can't continue to ignore. There was a report recently in the papers this weekend where an 11-year-old child was victimized for several days, and she was a victim of human trafficking.

And we have to do more in coordinating our efforts to make sure we identify those who participate in human trafficking and make sure we have proper care for the victims of human trafficking.

So I'm going to be voting aye on this bill, and I hope that out of this chamber we come up with more bills that will effectively address a market that has remained undetected. And we need to do more to make sure that those are brought to justice that participate in human trafficking.

So I'll be voting aye on this bill.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Senator Adams to be recorded in the affirmative.

Announce the results.

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 272, by Senator Gallivan, Senate Print 4051, an act to amend the Family Court Act.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the 90th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 300, by Senator Gallivan, Senate Print 4050, an act to amend the Family Court Act.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 3. This act shall take effect on the 90th day.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 322, by Senator Young, Senate Print 4031, an act relating to redistributing 2010 bond volume allocations.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 18. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 323, by Senator Young, Senate Print 4032, an act to amend the Private Housing Finance Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

THE SECRETARY: Section 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 324, by Senator Young, Senate Print 4033, an act to amend Chapter 199 of the Laws of 2008.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 336, substituted earlier today by Member of the Assembly Titone, Assembly Print Number 4731, an act to amend the Mental Hygiene Law.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Read the last section.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: Call the roll.

(The Secretary called the roll.)

THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The bill is passed.

Senator Libous, that completes the noncontroversial reading of the calendar.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, can we return to motions and resolutions, please.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: We will return to motions and resolutions.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Young, on page 12 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 77, Senate Print 863, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, once again on behalf of Senator Young, on page 12 I offer the following amendments to Calendar Number 74, Senate Print 742, and ask that said bill retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: The amendments are received, and the bill will retain its place on the Third Reading Calendar.

Senator Libous.

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

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There is no further business before the desk.

SENATOR LIBOUS: Mr. President, there being no further business at the desk, I move that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, May 3rd, at 3:00 p.m.

ACTING PRESIDENT GRIFFO: There being no further business before the desk, and on motion, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 3rd, at 3:00 p.m.

(Whereupon, at 4:26 p.m., the Senate adjourned.)