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4	THE STENOGRAPHIC RECORD
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9	ALBANY, NEW YORK
10	March 23, 2017
11	12:04 p.m.
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14	REGULAR SESSION
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18	SENATOR THOMAS D. CROCI, Acting President
19	FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The
3	Senate will come to order.
4	I ask everyone present to please
5	rise and repeat with me the Pledge of
6	Allegiance.
7	(Whereupon, the assemblage recited
8	the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.)
9	ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: In the
10	absence of clergy, may we please bow our heads
11	for a moment of silence.
12	(Whereupon, the assemblage
13	respected a moment of silence.)
14	ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The
15	reading of the Journal.
16	THE SECRETARY: In Senate,
17	Wednesday, March 22nd, the Senate met pursuant
18	to adjournment. The Journal of Tuesday,
19	March 21st, was read and approved. On motion,
20	Senate adjourned.
21	ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Without
22	objection, the Journal stands approved as read.
23	Presentation of petitions.
24	Messages from the Assembly.
25	Messages from the Governor.

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Reports of standing committees.
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                  Reports of select committees.
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                  Communications and reports from
     state officers.
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                  Motions and resolutions.
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                  Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes, I move
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     to adopt the Resolution Calendar except for
     Resolution 1163.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar, with
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     the exception of Resolution 1163, please signify
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     by saying aye.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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                  (No response.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Resolution Calendar is adopted.
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                  Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO:
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     recognize Senator Alcantara to introduce a
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     special individual in our chambers today, the
     Consul General of Mexico, Ambassador Diego
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     Gomez.
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1 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator 2 Alcantara. 3 SENATOR ALCANTARA: Thank you, 4 Senator DeFrancisco. 5 We would like to welcome Diego Gomez Pickering, the consul general of Mexico, 6 7 and also Paulina Strassburger Lona, consul of political affairs for Mexico. And welcome to 8 the New York State Senate. 9 10 The Mexican community is the second 11 largest Latino group in New York. And a quick 12 fact that my colleague Senator Carlucci and I learned today is that Mexico is the 13 fifth-largest trading partner for the State of 14 15 New York and the second for the United States. 16 We would like to welcome you to the 17 State Senate, and my colleagues and myself, we 18 look forward to working with you in the Mexican community, as the contributions that 19 20 Mexican-Americans have made to the United States 21 have been tremendous. 22 Mexico has been one of our biggest partners, not only economically but politically. 23 24 The Mexican government has spent millions of 25 dollars helping the United States secure the

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southern borders and keeping terrorists out. And
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     sometimes in this divisive climate that we are
     in, we don't recognize how big and what a huge
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     trading partner Mexico is to the United States
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     and how lucky we are to have a large population
     of Mexicans in the city and in the State of
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     New York.
                  So thank you very much for being
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     here with us.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Rivera.
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                  SENATOR RIVERA:
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     Mr. President.
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                  From 2000 to 2010, the Census
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     determined that in the State of New York,
     generally speaking, the ethnicity that grew the
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     most was Latino. Within that, the one that grew
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     the most was Mexican. And by percentage, most of
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     that population growth happened in my district,
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     based around actually what used to be Little
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     Italy -- which still is, our Arthur Avenue, the
     neighborhood of Belmont, which still has some of
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     the best Italian restaurants in the city, as some
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     of my Italian brethren can attest. And if not,
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     I'll take you.
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But the population that lives there 1 2 has changed. And in this case, what you have is a large growth of the Mexican population that has 3 4 happened right in the heart of my district. 5 So I am very, very proud to stand today, as I did a few days ago to talk about the 6 diversity of my district -- then we were 7 welcoming folks from the Garifuna community --8 but also Mexicans make up a large sector of the 9 10 growing population in the heart of my district. So I'm very happy to welcome the 11 12 ambassador here. And by the way, he is not only recognized for his great skill in state matters, 13 14 but as I hear, he also makes a mean margarita. 15 hope that I will get the chance to try that, because if you've been somewhere with cheap 16 margarita mix, you know once you've had the real 17 18 thing. So you definitely need to do that. 19 So, Mr. President, thank you so much 20 for giving me the opportunity to speak. thank you for visiting us in this august chamber. 21 I hope that it is not the last time that you are 22

ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator

Thank you, Mr. President.

here with us.

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Peralta. 1 2 SENATOR PERALTA: Thank you, 3 Mr. President. I too want to welcome the Consul 4 5 General of Mexico, Ambassador Diego Gomez, and Paulina. Thank you for being here today. 6 7 I've had the privilege of sitting 8 down with the ambassador in my district office and talking to him about the issues that matter 9 10 to Mexicans and Mexican-Americans in the district 11 that I represent. 12 I represent the United Nations of all Senate districts. And one of the growing 13 populations in that district, in my district, is 14 15 the Mexican community. And you can see it all along the line of Roosevelt Avenue and Elmhurst 16 and Corona by the businesses that they open up 17 18 and the shops that they open up, and just the kids that attend the local schools. 19 20 I remember when I first got elected, when I was in the Assembly, I used to ask the 21 22

I remember when I first got elected, when I was in the Assembly, I used to ask the question "How many people from the Dominican Republic?" And 80 percent of the kids would raise their hands. And now when I ask the question "How many kids from Mexico?", 80 percent

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of the kids raise their hands. 1 2 And there's a different population that's coming into the district, and I am proud 3 4 to represent them. And I thank the consul 5 general for all the hard work that he does for the Mexican-American community, not only in my 6 7 district but through the entire State of New 8 York. Thank you so much, and I'm looking 9 10 forward to continuing our great relationship. Welcome. 11 12 Thank you, Mr. President. ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: 13 Senator 14 Díaz. SENATOR DÍAZ: 15 Thank you, 16 Mr. President. I also join Senator Marisol 17 18 Alcantara in welcoming Consul General Diego Gomez 19 and Paulina. I don't have that many Mexicans in 20 my district, not in my district. But in the 21 Bronx, and on behalf of my son, the Bronx borough president, Ruben Díaz, Jr., I also would like to 22 express my appreciation to the Mexican community 23

that resides in Bronx County and throughout the

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City of New York.

1 I do abrazos. I do abrazos, 2 banquets for different communities in my district 3 when they start growing. I'm going to start 4 planning for the Mexican. 5 But again, I would like to welcome you. It's an honor to meet you. From this 6 7 Puerto Rican, with broken English and kinky hair, 8 welcome to this chamber. 9 Thank you very much. 10 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator 11 Krueger. 12 SENATOR KRUEGER: Thank you very much, Mr. President. 13 I join my colleagues in welcoming 14 15 Consul General Gomez from Mexico. I'm very proud 16 to have the consulate in my district. I am very proud to have the United Nations in my district, 17 18 so I have the opportunity to have truly the 19 center of an international city. 20 And I am delighted that we have so 21 many guests who come to visit us in Albany, to 22 help us understand the uniqueness of New York State and New York City in global economics and 23 global diplomacy. I assured the consul general 24 25 when we met that despite the fact that I have

another constituent -- the Trump family are 1 constituents -- that I strongly oppose the wall. 2 There will be no wall in New York City anywhere, 3 4 and I hope not anywhere, for our sakes. 5 But I am just delighted that you are here, delighted to hear from all my colleagues 6 7 about experiences of the Mexican-Americans in their own communities. Because the whole history 8 of our great State of New York was a history of 9 10 immigrants coming from everywhere, open borders to everyone, and welcoming. 11 12 So welcome to you. Thank you. ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: 13 14 Hamilton. 15 SENATOR HAMILTON: Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to the consul general from 16 17 Mexico. I have a growing Mexican population in 18 my district in Sunset Park. They're some of the hardest-working people in America. They thrive 19 20 on economic development, as far as being small business owners in my district. 21 22 And I just want to say because of their hard work and the desire to be true 23 Americans, we have with the IDC the sanctuary 24

district. And my office is a sanctuary office

for anybody who is feeling threatened by ICE or 1 2 any other agency that may try to deport them. As we all know, if you go to a 3 4 deportation hearing, there's a 97 percent chance 5 you'll be deported without an attorney. So I'm glad to announce that we are providing legal 6 7 services for anyone facing deportation in our 8 great State of New York. 9 So to the consul general of Mexico, 10 we welcome you here to the State of New York and to our chamber, and God bless you Mexico. 11 12 Thank you very much. 13 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Your 14 Excellency, we welcome you to our chamber, and 15 the Senate extends every privilege and courtesy of the house to you and your delegation. 16 And would the members please 17 18 recognize our guests from the great nation of Mexico. 19 20 (Standing ovation.) 21 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator 22 DeFrancisco. 23 SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Yes, would 24 you now recognize Senator Griffo for a very brief 25 introduction.

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ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Senator from Rome is recognized.
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                  SENATOR GRIFFO:
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     Mr. President.
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                  I'm honored to have with me a young
     talented student from Rome Free Academy who is
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     our mentee today, Senator for a Day. His family
     was successful in arranging this at a charitable
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     event.
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                  So I want to acknowledge Mr. Ben
     McMonagle. Ben is with us, he's a sophomore at
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     Rome Free Academy. Stand up, Ben. And also his
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     family, Ed, Beth and Dan. Thank you all for
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     being here.
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                  Thank you, Mr. Leader, and thank
     you, Mr. President.
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                  (Applause.)
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Could we now
     take up Resolution 1163, by Senator Alcantara,
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     read the title only, and call on the Senator to
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     speak.
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     Secretary will read.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Legislative
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     Resolution Number 1163, by Senator Alcantara,
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commemorating the 106th anniversary of the
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     Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire on March 25,
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     2017.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Alcantara.
                  SENATOR ALCANTARA:
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     Mr. President.
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                  On March 25, 1911, the Triangle
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     Shirtwaist Factory Company in New York City
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     burned to the ground, killing 145 workers. That
     was the deadliest industrial disaster in the
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     history of our city.
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                  Most of the workers were Jewish and
     Italian immigrants, women and children.
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     they tried to escape, many of them jumped out of
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     locked the doors. And the owner of the factory
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     had locked the doors so workers were not allowed
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     to take a break, they were not allowed to go
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     outside. For those owners, a human life was
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     considered less than making profit.
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     me this is very important, because today when you
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     talk to any brothers and sisters in the labor
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     movement, we still hear the same stories, the
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1 race to the bottom, where companies will cut 2 whatever corners they can to make sure that the workers work more but with less benefits. 3 4 Today we must ensure that the 5 memories of those women and girls that died are never forgotten, and that we can remember that 6 7 there's still a time in America where we as elected officials, as trade unionists, we need to 8 9 work hard to protect and make sure that every 10 American worker has the right to unionize, paid holidays, vacations days, and benefits. And only 11 then can we realize that Americans and our 12 workers can move to the middle class, if we can 13 ensure that the working conditions in our 14 15 factories and places of work are nice and safe. 16 So today I would like to take the opportunity, Mr. President, for allowing me to 17 18 honor the lives and memories of those workers 19 that died on that terrible day on March 25th. 20 Thank you. 21 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator 22 Hoylman. SENATOR HOYLMAN: Thank you, 23 Mr. President. 24 25 I wanted to thank my colleague for

sponsoring this resolution.

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory disaster occurred in my district, and the building is still there. It's called the Brown Building, and it's been subsumed into NYU. It's right off of Washington Place, so you can walk by. And it's rather nondescript, a small plaque.

But it's really mind-boggling if you think about the fact that back in 1911, 146 women and men, young people, leapt to their deaths from the eighth and ninth floor of that building because they were locked into the work premises.

The owners had the idea to lock the workers in, wanted to keep them at their machines, but secondly because they didn't want them to steal.

And what they were making, a lot of us don't know, but they're called shirtwaists.

They were basically women's dresses that had a professional look to them and were very popular at the time.

But the owners were concerned that the workers, most of them immigrants, would steal scraps of cloth and take them home.

I know I have a couple of

constituents here, Heidi and Sam, who live not far from there in Greenwich Village where this occurred.

Of course, as the sponsor said, out of this tragedy grew unionization, unionization for immigrants, which I think we can reflect on today as of great importance, as well as the cause for equal pay. You know, it's something that this chamber has addressed in the past, and I think we obviously need to continue to do more work. Because when it comes to the pay gap between men and women, to this day, women still make just an average of 78 cents for every dollar made by men. And that's 50 years after President Kennedy signed the Equal Pay Act. And in New York, the difference is that women make, while better, still just 86 cents on the dollar of every man.

So while there is great tragedy and solace in remembering this day, I think there is also hope, hope for our immigration policies to reflect our economy, as many of us agree, and secondly, to make certain that women are treated equally in the workplace.

One anecdote that I'll close with is

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     that the owners were taken to court and were
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     found not guilty, because the jury couldn't
     determine that they had in fact locked the doors.
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     So 25 families filed civil suits against the
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     owners on behalf of their lost loved ones. Well,
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     they won. They won a payment of $75 for each
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     deceased member.
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                  Thank you, Mr. President.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Senator
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     Stavisky.
                  SENATOR STAVISKY:
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     Mr. President. Thank you to my colleagues.
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                  And as I sat and listened to the
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     comments, I think we also ought to pay tribute to
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     one of our former colleagues, Senator Serf
     Maltese, who used to get up on the floor each
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     year and talk about the Triangle Shirtwaist
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     Factory tragedy. Because if my memory is
     correct, he lost a grandparent.
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                  So I think that by doing this we are
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     continuing almost an oral history of what has
     happened in New York State, and for that we thank
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     everybody for their participation.
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                  Thank you, Mr. President.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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Little. 1 2 SENATOR LITTLE: Thank you, Mr. President. 3 4 And you know, when we stop and think 5 about the conditions these women were working in -- they were mostly women, there were some men 6 7 and they were all very young -- how tragic it 8 was, and certainly how much things have improved. 9 But it was actually the shirtwaist 10 factory fire that got people involved and working for women's rights in the labor force -- and then 11 12 their right to vote, once they realized they not only needed help in their workplace, but they 13 needed to be able to vote for elected officials 14 and actually to -- they could have run for 15 16 office, but without the women's vote they didn't feel they could. 17 18 So this really led to the whole suffragette movement as well, and many of the 19 20 same people that started with this movement ended up in the suffragette movement. 21 22 So thank you very much for this resolution. 23 ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: 24 Senator 25 Savino.

1 SENATOR SAVINO: Thank you, 2 Mr. President. I rise -- first I want to thank 3 4 Senator Alcantara, our new Labor chair in the 5 Senate for bringing this resolution to the next door. 6 7 I have spoken on the anniversary of 8 the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire every year since I have been in the Senate. And the 9 10 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire was without a doubt a defining moment in New York State -- not 11 12 just for workers' rights and for women's rights, it was a defining moment for the State of 13 New York. We became the first state to adopt 14 15 factory safety standards as a result of that horrific tragedy. 16 We were one of the first states to 17 18 adopt labor laws that then became the model for 19 the nation to follow. It took a few years for 20 the federal government to finally recognize what 21 was happening in factories all across the country 22 and adopt standards for workers across the country. We now have a national Occupational 23 Safety and Health Administration in Washington. 24 25 And here in New York, we care about

workers' rights, but what's happening in Washington is something that should give us pause, because it's almost as if the pendulum has swung back. As we speak, in Washington they're contemplating slashing workers' rights and factory safety standards and protections for coal miners because they think that they're impediments to business. So perhaps we in New York need to lead the way again and remind them of what happens when you roll back worker protections -- We wind up with tragedies like the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire if we don't keep an eye on things.

And ironically, a little while ago we had two representatives from Mexico here in the chamber where we recognized them. As we speak, even though New York State is probably the safest place in the country for workers' rights -- because of the laws that were enacted in this chamber over the past hundred years -- we have the greatest safety standards, we have the greatest worker protections, the greatest wage theft laws in the country -- there's still an underground economy in New York. And many of the people working in that underground economy are

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     undocumented Mexican women working in sweatshops,
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     in factories that are underground, in places like
     Sunset Park and in the West Side of Manhattan,
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     and they are operating in the shadows.
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     Triangle Shirtwaist Factory could happen in many
     of those places.
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                  So we need to make sure that our
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     Department of Labor has the resources to keep
     track of that, because we know Washington is not
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     going to pay attention to it. OSHA is not going
     to be there to protect workers in New York. It's
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     going to rely on New York State to do it again.
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                  So thank you, Senator Alcantara, for
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     reminding us of the importance of Triangle then
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     and now.
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                  Thank you, Mr. President.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Díaz.
                  SENATOR DÍAZ:
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                                   Thank you,
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     Mr. President.
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                  I again rise to congratulate Senator
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     Alcantara for this important moment. And it is
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     important because we blacks and Hispanics, we
     complain -- we complain about discrimination, we
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     complain about injustice, and we're right.
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But the importance of this 1 2 resolution and this action of Senator Alcantara today is that it brings to our attention that it 3 4 not only happens to us blacks and Hispanics. I 5 heard Senator Alcantara say the majority of these 146 people that died in that factory were Jews 6 and Italians. I heard her, she's saying that. 7 And I also heard she's saying that they was 8 treated like slaves -- underpaid, in unsafe 9 10 situations, and locked in a factory like slaves. So it is important for us to 11 12 remember that it is not only happening to us blacks and Hispanics. These were women -- 123 13 women died in this fire, and 23 men. 14 15 Hispanics, no blacks. Jewish and Italian. And this happened in 2011 {sic}, 16 recently. It didn't happen back then in those 17 18 years, it happened recently. Practically, what, six years ago? 2011, how many years ago? So it 19 20 happened recently, in this era, where Jewish and Italian women, the majority women, died in a fire 21 like slaves. 22 So thank you, Senator Alcantara and 23 Senator Savino, for bringing this every year. 24 25 And I never paid this attention, but today I paid

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     attention, I listened to this, listened when
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     she's saying Jewish and Italian. I heard this
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     resolution every year, every year, but I never
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     really got to the point of keep remembering, of
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     keep bringing this to our ears, to know that not
     only us Hispanics and not only us blacks have
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     been treated like garbage sometimes.
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                  So thank you, and please continue
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     bringing this resolution every year. Don't allow
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     this incident to be forgotten. And keep
     reminding us minorities that we are not the only
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     ones that suffer and that we are not the only
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     ones being discriminated, and we are not the only
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     ones being underpaid and we are not the only ones
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     being treated like slaves.
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                  Thank you, Mr. President.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     question is on the resolution. All those in
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     favor please signify by saying aye.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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                  (No response.)
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     resolution is adopted.
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                  Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO:
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     resolution is open for cosponsorship. If someone
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     wants to cosponsor, they should notify the desk.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     resolution is open for cosponsorship. If you
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     would like to be a sponsor, please notify the
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     desk.
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                  Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Would you
     please take up the noncontroversial reading of
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     the calendar, please.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Secretary will read.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     183, by Senator Funke, Senate Print 3890, an act
     to amend the Parks, Recreation and Historic
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     Preservation Law.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Read the
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     last section.
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2.
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     act shall take effect on the 120th day.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Call the
     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     260, by Senator Gallivan, Senate Print 1984, an
     act to amend the Penal Law.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Read the
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     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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     act shall take effect on the first of November.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Call the
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     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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     Calendar 260, those recorded in the negative are
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     Senators Alcantara, Bailey, Comrie, Hoylman,
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     Krueger, Montgomery, Persaud, Rivera and Sanders.
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                  Ayes, 50. Nays, 9.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
     291, by Senator Peralta, Senate Print 352, an act
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     to amend the Banking Law.
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ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Read the
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     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2.
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     act shall take effect on the 180th day.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Call the
     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The bill
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     is passed.
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     296, by Senator Bonacic, Senate Print 1031, an
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     act to amend the Education Law.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Read the
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     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
     act shall take effect immediately.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Call the
     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The bill
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     is passed.
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     298, by Senator Jacobs, Senate Print 2103, an act
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     to amend the Education Law.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Read the
     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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     act shall take effect immediately.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: Call the
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     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Jacobs.
                  SENATOR JACOBS: Thank you. I rise
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     in support of this bill.
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                  As we talk very frequently in this
     body about the need to create additional jobs,
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     new jobs in our communities, one of the glaring
     places we often miss is the existing jobs that
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     remain unfilled. In my county alone, over
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     16,000 jobs in the manufacturing, advanced
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     manufacturing sector and other sectors remain
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     unfilled because of a skills gap. I believe this
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     bill will help in harnessing and aligning one of
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     the greatest resources that we have, our
     community colleges, to make sure that the
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     training, the courses and the credentialing that
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     they offer align with the needs for the new
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     economy, the advanced manufacturing economy, and
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     the existing manufacturing that we've always had
     but that is experiencing significant vacancies
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     because of retirements.
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                  I am very much in support of this
     and hope it continues to move forward.
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                  Thank you very much.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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     Jacobs to be recorded in the affirmative.
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                  Announce the result.
                  THE SECRETARY:
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     Calendar 298, those recorded in the negative are
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     Senators Akshar, Brooks, Comrie, Funke, Helming,
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     Hoylman, Krueger, Little, O'Mara, Persaud,
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     Stavisky and Tedisco.
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                  Ayes, 47. Nays, 12.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO:
                                          I would just
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     like to note for the record that this is Senator
     Jacobs' first bill as a member of the New York
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     State Senate.
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                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
                                             Senator
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DeFrancisco, that completes the reading of the
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     noncontroversial calendar.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: Is there any
     further business at the desk?
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI: There is no
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     further business at the desk.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO:
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     the case, I now move to adjourn until Monday,
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     March 27th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being
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     legislative days.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT CROCI:
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                                             On motion,
     the Senate stands adjourned until Monday,
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     March 27th, at 3:00 p.m., intervening days being
     legislative days.
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                  (Whereupon, at 12:35 p.m., the
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     Senate adjourned.)
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