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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

At 11:30 a.m., the HONORABLE MATTHEW J. RYAN, a member-elect from Delaware County, made the following announcement in the hall of the House:

In accordance with the provisions of Article II, section 4, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the members-elect of the House of Representatives will meet this day at 12 o'clock noon in the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of organization.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the HONORABLE JOHN J. ZUBECK, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, called the members-elect to order and announced:

This being the day and the hour appointed by Article II, section 4, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania for the meeting of the General Assembly, the House of Representatives will now come to order.

The Sergeant at Arms will close the doors.

Prayer will be offered by the Reverend John Corbett, Chaplain of the Marian Manor Nursing Home in Pittsburgh.

Members and guests will please rise and remain standing for the presentation of the colors by the United States Marine Corps Color Guard from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania, and the singing of the national anthem by Cleo Pheribo.

#### PRAYER

REV. JOHN B. CORBETT, Chaplain of the Marian Manor Nursing Home, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

We pray:

God our Father, grant unto all of us assembled here - elected officials, caucus officers, distinguished guests, families, friends - that we will all strive to find the patience and goodness of heart and mutual tolerance which we will all need to fulfill the function placed upon these new government officials during these coming years.

In a setting which in years past has beheld far too much rancor and discord and unpleasantness of purpose, may the luminous vision of our Founding Fathers be invoked in

troublesome times, finding in the examples from our Nation's past steadfastness of spirit and strength of will not only to behold the right but to meet its challenge.

Remember, too, that this building has seen the mortal illness and death of many elected officials, one of the most recent of which, that of James Manderino, the rock of Monessen, ought to serve to remind all who labor in this legislative vineyard that the Sun's majesty does not shine only on this building to the exclusion of the rest of the Commonwealth; that those who work here ought to maintain a reservoir of good humor and emotional detachment, trusting their own integrity enough to guarantee the same to one's opponent; remembering, too, that despite evidence to the contrary, one's own intellectual judgment on a bill or issue may possibly be in error and that, believe it or not, the other fellow may possibly be right.

Neither side has a monopoly on the good and the true and the beautiful.

We strive for the light. Our great quarrel is not over the ends of government but always over the means, all seeking to uphold the duties of office.

In this past century, another time of great dissension and upheaval, that German sage, Goethe, wrote, "Little children, if you cannot learn to love one another, at least learn to put up with one another." Go, therefore, and treat your friend as you would wish to be treated. Be patient, giving always the benefit of doubt.

May the fullness of God's love and abundant care be with you always, and may He sustain you in good times and in bad.

Godspeed to one and all.

#### PRESENTATION OF COLORS

(The colors were presented by the United States Marine Corps Color Guard.)

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

("The Star-Spangled Banner" was presented by Cleo Pheribo.)

The CHIEF CLERK. The Sergeant at Arms will open the doors of the House. Members and guests may be seated.

The Chair thanks the lady, Cleo Pheribo, for the beautiful rendition of the national anthem.

### ELECTION RETURNS PRESENTED

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair recognizes the Sergeant at Arms of the House.

The SERGEANT AT ARMS. Mr. Chief Clerk, the Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Mr. Vincent G. Guest.

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair recognizes Mr. Guest.

Mr. GUEST. Thank you.

Mr. Chief Clerk, on behalf of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Dr. Brenda Mitchell, I have the honor to present the official returns of the general election held November 3, 1992, and the certificate of campaign expense reporting compliance for the duly elected members of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Congratulations to all the members-elect.

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair extends the thanks of the House to Mr. Guest.

The clerk will proceed with the reading of the returns of the members-elect.

The following election returns were read:

#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the returns of the General Election held November 3, 1992. The following, having received the highest number of votes in their respective districts, were duly elected Members of the House of Representatives in the General Assembly:

Name	District
Linda Bebko Jones	First
Italo S. Cappabianca	Second
Karl Boyes	Third
Tom Scrimenti	Fourth
Jim Merry	Fifth
Teresa E. Brown	Sixth
Mike Gruitza	Seventh
Howard L. Fargo	Eighth
Thomas J. Fee	Ninth
Frank LaGrotta	Tenth
Joseph A. Steighner	Eleventh
Pat Carone	Twelfth
Arthur D. Hershey	Thirteenth
Mike Veon	Fourteenth
Nick Colafella	Fifteenth
Susan Laughlin	Sixteenth
David O. King	Seventeenth
Robert Tommy Tomlinson	Eighteenth
Bill Robinson	Nineteenth
Tom J. Murphy	Twentieth
Frank J. Pistella	Twenty-first
Frank J. Gigliotti	Twenty-second
Ivan Itkin	Twenty-third
Joseph Preston, Jr.	Twenty-fourth
Joseph F. Markosek	Twenty-fifth
Timothy F. Hennessey	Twenty-sixth
Thomas C. Petrone	Twenty-seventh
Elaine F. Farmer	Twenty-eighth

David J. Mayernik	Twenty-ninth
Richard J. Cessar	Thirtieth
David J. Steil	Thirty-first
Anthony M. DeLuca	Thirty-second
Frank Dermody	Thirty-third
Ronald R. Cowell	Thirty-fourth
Tom Michlovic	Thirty-fifth
Chris McNally	Thirty-sixth
Katie True	Thirty-seventh
Richard D. Olasz	Thirty-eighth
David Levdansky	Thirty-ninth
Albert W. Pettit	Fortieth
Ralph Kaiser	Forty-first
Greg Fajt	Forty-second
Jere W. Schuler	Forty-third
Ron Gamble	Forty-fourth
Fred A. Trello	Forty-fifth
Victor John Lescovitz	Forty-sixth
Leo J. Trich, Jr.	Forty-seventh
Anthony L. Colaizzo	Forty-eighth
Peter J. Daley	Forty-ninth
Bill DeWeese	Fiftieth
Larry Roberts	Fifty-first
Richard A. Kasunic	Fifty-second
Robert W. Godshall	Fifty-third
Terry E. Van Horne	Fifty-fourth
Joseph A. Petrarca	Fifty-fifth
Allen G. Kukovich	Fifty-sixth
Thomas A. Tangretti	Fifty-seventh
Herman Mihalich	Fifty-eighth
Jess Stairs	Fifty-ninth
Timothy L. Pesci	Sixtieth
Joseph M. Gladeck, Jr.	Sixty-first
Sara G. Steelman	Sixty-second
David R. Wright	Sixty-third
Scott E. Hutchinson	Sixty-fourth
James C. Lynch	Sixty-fifth
Sam Smith	Sixty-sixth
Kenneth M. Jadowiec	Sixty-seventh
Matthew E. Baker	Sixty-eighth
William R. Lloyd, Jr.	Sixty-ninth
John W. Fichter	Seventieth
John N. Wozniak	Seventy-first
Tom Yewcic	Seventy-second
Edward J. Haluska	Seventy-third
Camille George	Seventy-fourth
Dan A. Surra	Seventy-fifth
Mike Hanna	Seventy-sixth
Lynn B. Herman	Seventy-seventh
Dick L. Hess	Seventy-eighth
Richard Geist	Seventy-ninth
Jerry Stern	Eightieth
Larry O. Sather	Eighty-first
Daniel F. Clark	Eighty-second
Thomas W. Dempsey	Eighty-third
Alvin C. Bush	Eighty-fourth
Russ Fairchild	Eighty-fifth
C. Allan Egolf	Eighty-sixth
Patricia H. Vance	Eighty-seventh
Jerry L. Nailor	Eighty-eighth
Jeffrey W. Coy	Eighty-ninth
Patrick E. Fleagle	Ninetieth
Stephen R. Maitland	Ninety-first
Bruce Smith	Ninety-second
Michael L. Waugh	Ninety-third
Stan Saylor	Ninety-fourth
Stephen H. Stetler	Ninety-fifth
Mike Sturla	Ninety-sixth

Jere L. Strittmatter	Ninety-seventh
Thomas E. Armstrong	Ninety-eighth
Terry Scheetz	Ninety-ninth
John E. Barley	One hundredth
Edward H. Krebs	One hundred first
Peter J. Zug	One hundred second
Ron Buxton	One hundred third
Jeffrey E. Piccola	One hundred fourth
Ron Marsico	One hundred fifth
Frank Tulli, Jr.	One hundred sixth
Robert E. Belfanti, Jr.	One hundred seventh
Merle Phillips	One hundred eighth
John R. Gordner	One hundred ninth
J. Scot Chadwick	One hundred tenth
Kenneth E. Lee	One hundred eleventh
Fred Belardi	One hundred twelfth
Gaynor Cawley	One hundred thirteenth
Frank A. Serafini	One hundred fourteenth
Edward G. Staback	One hundred fifteenth
Thomas B. Stish	One hundred sixteenth
George C. Hasay	One hundred seventeenth
Thomas M. Tighe	One hundred eighteenth
Stanley J. Jarolin	One hundred nineteenth
Phyllis Mundy	One hundred twentieth
Kevin Blaum	One hundred twenty-first
Keith R. McCall	One hundred twenty-second
Edward J. Lucyk	One hundred twenty-third
David G. Argall	One hundred twenty-fourth
Bob Allen	One hundred twenty-fifth
Dante Santoni, Jr.	One hundred twenty-sixth
Thomas R. Caltagirone	One hundred twenty-seventh
Sam Rohrer	One hundred twenty-eighth
Sheila Miller	One hundred twenty-ninth
Dennis E. Leh	One hundred thirtieth
Karen A. Ritter	One hundred thirty-first
Charles Wieder Dent	One hundred thirty-second
T. J. Rooney	One hundred thirty-third
Don Snyder	One hundred thirty-fourth
Joseph M. Uliana	One hundred thirty-fifth
Robert Freeman	One hundred thirty-sixth
Leonard Q. Gruppo	One hundred thirty-seventh
Bob Nyce	One hundred thirty-eighth
Jerry Birmelin	One hundred thirty-ninth
Thomas C. Corrigan, Sr.	One hundred fortieth
Anthony J. Melio	One hundred forty-first
Matthew N. Wright	One hundred forty-second
David W. Heckler	One hundred forty-third
Tom Druce	One hundred forty-fourth
Paul I. Clymer	One hundred forty-fifth
Robert D. Reber, Jr.	One hundred forty-sixth
Raymond Bunt, Jr.	One hundred forty-seventh
Lita Indzel Cohen	One hundred forty-eighth
Ellen A. Harley	One hundred forty-ninth
John A. Lawless	One hundred fiftieth
George E. Saurman	One hundred fifty-first
Roy W. Cornell	One hundred fifty-second
Martin L. Laub	One hundred fifty-third
Lawrence H. Curry	One hundred fifty-fourth
Jim Gerlach	One hundred fifty-fifth
Elinor Z. Taylor	One hundred fifty-sixth
Carole A. Rubley	One hundred fifty-seventh
Joseph R. Pitts	One hundred fifty-eighth
Thaddeus Kirkland	One hundred fifty-ninth
Kathy Durham	One hundred sixtieth
Tom Gannon	One hundred sixty-first
Ron Raymond	One hundred sixty-second
Nicholas A. Micozzie	One hundred sixty-third
Mario J. Civera, Jr.	One hundred sixty-fourth

William F. Adolph, Jr.	One hundred sixty-fifth
Greg Vitali	One hundred sixty-sixth
Bob Flick	One hundred sixty-seventh
Matthew J. Ryan	One hundred sixty-eighth
Dennis M. O'Brien	One hundred sixty-ninth
George T. Kenney, Jr.	One hundred seventieth
Ruth C. Rudy	One hundred seventy-first
John M. Perzel	One hundred seventy-second
Michael P. McGeehan	One hundred seventy-third
Alan Butkovitz	One hundred seventy-fourth
Marie A. Lederer	One hundred seventy-fifth
Chris Wogan	One hundred seventy-sixth
John J. Taylor	One hundred seventy-seventh
Roy Reinard	One hundred seventy-eighth
William W. Rieger	One hundred seventy-ninth
Ralph Acosta	One hundred eightieth
W. Curtis Thomas	One hundred eighty-first
Babette Josephs	One hundred eighty-second
Frank W. Yandrisevits	One hundred eighty-third
William F. Keller	One hundred eighty-fourth
Robert C. Donatucci	One hundred eighty-fifth
Harold James	One hundred eighty-sixth
Paul W. Semmel	One hundred eighty-seventh
James R. Roebuck	One hundred eighty-eighth
Joseph W. Battisto	One hundred eighty-ninth
Vincent J. Hughes	One hundred ninetieth
Anthony H. Williams	One hundred ninety-first
Louise Bishop	One hundred ninety-second
Steven R. Nickol	One hundred ninety-third
Kathy Manderino	One hundred ninety-fourth
Frank L. Oliver	One hundred ninety-fifth
Todd Platts	One hundred ninety-sixth
Andrew J. Carn	One hundred ninety-seventh
Robert W. O'Donnell	One hundred ninety-eighth
Al Masland	One hundred ninety-ninth
Gordon J. Linton	Two hundredth
David P. Richardson, Jr.	Two hundred first
Mark B. Cohen	Two hundred second
Dwight Evans	Two hundred third

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal of  
my office this twenty-third of  
December, 1992.

Brenda K. Mitchell  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

## CERTIFICATE ON ELECTION EXPENSES

### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, GREETINGS:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1632(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code [25 P.S. § 3252(b)], I do hereby certify that all duly elected members of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have filed all of the reports and statements of contributions and expenditures required by the provisions of Article XVI of the Pennsylvania Election Code entitled "Primary and Election Expenses."

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal of  
my office this twenty-third day of  
December, 1992.

Brenda K. Mitchell  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The CHIEF CLERK. Are there requests for leaves of absence?

The Chair recognizes the majority whip, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Chief Clerk, I request a leave of absence for the lady from Centre County, Mrs. RUDY.

The CHIEF CLERK. The gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen, asks for a leave of absence for the lady from Centre County, Mrs. Rudy. If there are no objections, leave of absence is granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. There are no requests for leaves of absence, Mr. Chief Clerk.

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**ROLL CALL**

The CHIEF CLERK. The roll call now will be taken, and members-elect will signify their presence by pressing the "aye" button. The members-elect will proceed to vote.

The roll was recorded, and the following members-elect were present:

**PRESENT—202**

Acosta	Fargo	Linton	Ryan
Adolph	Farmer	Lloyd	Santoni
Allen	Fee	Lucyk	Sather
Argall	Fichter	Lynch	Saurman
Armstrong	Fleagle	McCall	Saylor
Baker	Flick	McGeehan	Scheetz
Barley	Freeman	McNally	Schuler
Battisto	Gamble	Maitland	Scrimenti
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	Manderino	Semmel
Belardi	Geist	Markosek	Serafini
Belfanti	George	Marsico	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Gerlach	Masland	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Gigliotti	Mayernik	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Staback
Boyes	Godshall	Merry	Stairs
Brown	Gordner	Michlovic	Steelman
Bunt	Gruitza	Micozzie	Steighner
Bush	Gruppo	Mihalich	Steil
Butkovitz	Haluska	Miller	Stern
Buxton	Hanna	Mundy	Steller
Caltagirone	Harley	Murphy	Stish
Cappabianca	Hasay	Nailor	Strittmatter
Carn	Heckler	Nickol	Sturla
Carone	Hennessey	Nyce	Surra
Cawley	Herman	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cessar	Hershey	O'Donnell	Taylor, E. Z.
Chadwick	Iless	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Civera	Hughes	Oliver	Thomas
Clark	Hutchinson	Perzel	Tigue
Clymer	Itkin	Pesci	Tomlinson
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Petrarca	Trello
Cohen, M.	James	Petrone	Trich
Colafella	Jarolin	Pettit	True
Colaizzo	Josephs	Phillips	Tulli
Cornell	Kaiser	Piccola	Uliana
Corrigan	Kasunic	Pistella	Van Horne
Cowell	Keller	Pitts	Vance
Coy	Kenney	Platts	Veon
Curry	King	Preston	Vitali

DeLuca	Kirkland	Raymond	Waugh
Daley	Krebs	Reber	Williams
Dempsey	Kukovich	Reinard	Wogan
Dent	LaGrotta	Richardson	Wozniak
Dermody	Laub	Rieger	Wright, D. R.
Donatucci	Laughlin	Ritter	Wright, M. N.
Druce	Lawless	Roberts	Yandrisevits
Durham	Lederer	Robinson	Yewcic
Egolf	Lee	Roebuck	Zug
Evans	Leh	Rohrer	
Fairchild	Lescovitz	Rooney	DeWeese,
Fajt	Levdansky	Rubley	Speaker

**ADDITIONS—0****NOT VOTING—0****EXCUSED—1**

Rudy

The CHIEF CLERK. Two hundred and two members-elect having indicated their presence, a quorum is present.

**OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO MEMBERS-ELECT**

The CHIEF CLERK. A Bible has been placed on the desk of each member, for those who swear by the Bible.

Members-elect will rise, place your left hand on the Bible, raise your right hand, and remain standing at your desks during the administration of the oath to which each member will swear or affirm.

The oath of office will be administered by the Honorable Gerald R. Solomon, Judge of the Fayette County Court of Common Pleas.

(Members-elect stood.)

JUDGE SOLOMON. Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that you will discharge the duties of your office with fidelity? If so, please say "I do."

(Members asserted oaths.)

JUDGE SOLOMON. May God bless each of you in your appointed and elected duties.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED****ELECTION OF SPEAKER**

Mr. ROONEY offered the following resolution, which was read, considered, and adopted:

In the House of Representatives  
January 5, 1993

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Article II, section 9, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the House do now proceed to the election of a Speaker.

### NOMINATIONS FOR SPEAKER

The CHIEF CLERK. Nominations are now in order for the office of Speaker.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Clearfield County, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Chief Clerk, the honorable members of this House of Representatives, and our guests, I have had the honor and privilege during the last four sessions of this General Assembly to nominate the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and today I have that extreme privilege again, the one of nominating one of our most capable members for the position of Speaker.

Through the years I have served under six Speakers, from Herb Fineman and K. Leroy Irvis and the Honorable Jim Manderino, Jack Seltzer, Matt Ryan, and Robert O'Donnell. Each developed his own style of leading the House of Representatives, and I must say that each of them proved that they were capable and competent leaders.

When I first met the young man whom I have the honor to nominate today, it was 1976, and he had just been elected to the House of Representatives. Those who can easily recognize and those who have difficulty recognizing qualities would not have had any trouble recognizing and agreeing that this legislator was in fact a dynamic young man who was destined for leadership in not too many years.

His ability was recognized when he was appointed chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, a nonlawyer who got along with the lawyers of his committee and put forth some landmark legislation.

A short time later he was elected majority whip and served as majority leader during the session that has just ended. He understands the responsibilities of his fellow members, and indeed he is familiar with the diversity of their individual districts.

Being familiar has not in any way kept him from going back into the districts, because his busy schedule, which would surely tax the strength of a lesser individual, has kept him in touch with the needs of our legislators from Philadelphia and Pittsburgh and Clearfield and other rural areas.

He understands the importance and the significance of our constitutional rights in this Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and he is dedicated to that principle. His intelligence and his down-to-earth style have made him effective here in the Capitol as well as in his native Greene County. He loves his country, his State, and his people.

I am certain that Bill DeWeese, with his zeal and compassion, plus his eloquence and quick wit, will be a capable and a competent leader and Speaker just as his predecessors were. I am sure he will occupy a place of prominence in the history of this great Commonwealth and the House of Representatives. I am sure that he will be accorded that honor in a very short time.

Being the Speaker of the House is an awesome task, and I feel certain that Bill DeWeese is most highly qualified to serve in this exalted position.

Ladies and gentlemen of the House, I am deeply proud to nominate for Speaker of the House of Representatives the gentleman from Greene County, the Honorable H. William DeWeese.

The CHIEF CLERK. The gentleman from Clearfield County, Mr. George, places in nomination for the office of Speaker the gentleman from Greene County, the Honorable H. William DeWeese.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria County, Mr. Haluska.

Mr. HALUSKA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to second the nomination of Mr. William DeWeese for the honored position of Speaker of the House of Representatives of this Commonwealth.

Bill DeWeese is a former marine who, throughout his legislative career, continued to live out the motto of the U.S. Marine Corps of "semper fidelis." That means "always faithful." He has been faithful to his caucus, he has been faithful to his party, and most of all, faithful to the people of this Commonwealth.

As a majority leader, he was a friend of the rank and file. He always had an eye and a heart open to all. He established his own style of leadership in the caucus, one of recognizing that the members themselves were really stockholders of this Commonwealth when it came to doing business in the caucus, that they were more than just underlings without any thoughts or any impressions of their own, and therefore, he had the opportunity to get a very interesting and stimulating discussion not only on the budget but all the major issues that affected this Commonwealth. And I can say to you that his generation of leadership brings to power ideas of new thoughts and new concepts that the legislators will have an opportunity to address to meet the major issues, not only of this Commonwealth but of the Nation, with new thoughts that will change the complex of this Nation.

It is very interesting to note that we as legislators have to be sure that the election of Bill DeWeese will send a message to the people of Pennsylvania that we in this House are ready, willing, and able to meet the challenge to pass legislation that is needed to meet the ever-growing problems that we confront in this Commonwealth.

It is with pride that I put forth again the nomination, second the nomination, of the very honorable, very eloquent, and very capable Mr. H. William DeWeese for Speaker of this House of Representatives. I thank you.

The CHIEF CLERK. The gentleman from Cambria County, Mr. Haluska, seconds the nomination of Mr. DeWeese for the office of Speaker.

The Chair recognizes the lady from Philadelphia, Ms. Bishop.

Ms. BISHOP. Thank you, Mr. Chief Clerk.

To the honorable members of this House of Representatives, amidst the grandeur and ceremony of this wonderful occasion, I cannot help but be taken by the beautiful diversity that is our Commonwealth. How different a picture each of us has of Pennsylvania.

We look at our State and some of us see a huge city of antiquity where once Benjamin Franklin walked, a city home to the largest park in the world, and the birthplace of our most important documents, abounding in the universities and the cultural masterpieces that are our greatest pride, but also home to many homeless and hopeless, which are among our greatest tragedies. Others look and see rolling rural hills and horses and farms, or woods and rustic areas as natural as William Penn's ever were and just as abounding in hunting and fishing resources. To some, Pennsylvania is steel mills and heavy industry, or coal mines, or high-tech manufacturers. Others picture skiing in the Poconos, a folk festival where the three rivers meet, or a football weekend in Nittany Valley.

Each picture is Pennsylvania, forming the fabric of a society more intricate than any Amish quilt, and one person who sees that whole picture and cares about every one of us in it is the gentleman from Greene County, H. William DeWeese. He has come to us from among the poorest of the poor, and he has looked into every corner of the picture that is Pennsylvania.

Bill DeWeese cares about all of us. He cares for the children and those that are in their fading years. He dignifies people's needs because he feels them personally. He looks beyond the rural areas, he looks beyond towns, and he looks beyond larger cities and he sees people, and each of them touch him personally.

He is sensitive enough to know that a baby does not cry in Jewish, a baby does not cry in African-American, a baby does not cry in Hispanic, a baby does not cry in Italian, but a baby cries in need, and Bill DeWeese will bend to meet that need.

Wisdom usually comes with age, but this young man has wisdom and judgment and he will make an impact, for Bill DeWeese is like a good orchestra conductor. He has the ability to harmonize disparate tones and to raise the voice of the choir beyond the talents of its individual singers. He has the ability to change a "no" vote to a "yes," and to change a "yes" vote to a "no." When you think you will not, he may very well convince you that you will, because Bill DeWeese has a unique way of talking with people and helping people to understand that which they may not have understood before. He has the ability to help people to grow and to move beyond where they are. He does not ask people to sacrifice principles, but he will cause people to see another side from a perspective they never saw before.

Finally, Bill DeWeese never leaves another to do the job that he should do. In a place where little credit may be given for it and few may take notice of it, Bill DeWeese has never sent another woman or another man to do his work; he does it himself. So today we look to Bill DeWeese to inspire us, to orchestrate us, and to help us to serve to the best of our ability.

It is my greatest pleasure to second the nomination, his nomination, to lead us as Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Thank you.

The CHIEF CLERK. The lady from Philadelphia, Ms. Bishop, seconds the nomination of Mr. DeWeese for the office of Speaker.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie County, Mr. Scrimenti.

Mr. SCRIMENTI. Mr. Speaker, 15 years ago a young, first-full-term legislator from rural Greene County—he would have called himself a backbencher—rose on this floor to recognize a former House Speaker as someone who inspired people to realize that "a young rural legislator could be successful in the dynamic world of Commonwealth politics." Today we recognize another young rural legislator who has expanded that earlier inspiration and proven that each one of us, regardless of age, geography, tenure, or obstacle, can make a difference by dint of commitment and effort.

Bill DeWeese is very much the embodiment of our times. In a phrase more in keeping with Bill's own style, he is the zeitgeist of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. He brings a devotion to public service and a sense of history traditional to the General Assembly, and at the same time, a new charisma and a commitment to cultural diversity and individual empowerment that is refreshing, new, and needed.

We expect of Bill DeWeese that he will drive the House to new accomplishments, stretch our intellectual and ideological boundaries in an effort to serve the Commonwealth, and bring new ideas to this wonderful institution. We know that Speaker Bill DeWeese will help each of us to touch the future and to change it, as he himself has already done.

I am honored to second the nomination of Bill DeWeese of Greene County to be Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

The CHIEF CLERK. The gentleman from Erie County, Mr. Scrimenti, seconds the nomination of Mr. DeWeese for the office of Speaker.

Are there any other nominations?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cessar.

Mr. CESSAR. Thank you, Mr. Chief Clerk.

Honorable members of this General Assembly, ladies and gentlemen, guests, as we gather today on this occasion to select the person who will lead the membership of the House of Representatives during the 1993-94 session of the General Assembly, my thoughts go back to the year of 1967 when I first met a serious-minded young lawyer who had just been elected to serve his third term in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Now, 26 years have passed, it is now 1993, and it is again the first Tuesday of January. Today that same attorney, now a veteran lawmaker with a distinguished record of service in the Pennsylvania General Assembly, remains with us to begin his 15th term as a dedicated public servant of the people of Pennsylvania.

Through those three decades of service, he continued to have an honorable career representing the 168th District, and that is the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan. He has maintained a high level of energy, commitment, and devotion which is matched by few in this chamber. Because of that commitment, he has risen through the Republican leadership ranks, serving as a policy committee chairman, the majority and the minority whip, majority and minority leader, and the ultimate, the

Speaker of the House of Representatives of this Commonwealth.

Matt Ryan can look proudly on what he has done during his 30 years as a member of the House of Representatives. Mr. Chief Clerk, at the same time, upon reflection, upon reflection, he sees very clearly what remains to be done.

He is a man of reason, he is a man of value, and a man of respect. Matt Ryan has shown us what responsible leadership is. Those of you who have been here know that. Those of you who have just come will certainly get to know that. He has never, ever taken his responsibilities lightly; rather, he has, with vision, persevered to make certain that this institution remains strong through the years. All of us in this room, on both sides of the aisle, certainly know that, too. And Matt Ryan well knows, as did the renowned British politician and political philosopher Edmund Burke, and I quote, that "In all forms of government, the people is the true legislator." Matt Ryan has adhered to that principle.

As our leader in the House of Representatives, Matt has worked in cooperation with members of the Democratic Party for the good of the people of the Commonwealth to insure that all Pennsylvanians are well served. He has done that without sacrificing either principle or the essentials of the basic political philosophy of the Republican Party, because he knows that is at the heart of political leadership.

As our leader he has worked hard to build a feeling of oneness, of dependence on one another, and of strength to be derived from unity. As our leader he has quietly depended on our strength without boasting of it, and he has respected that of others without fearing it.

Matt Ryan has brought strong, steady leadership to our party. He has mastered the art of compromise so essential, so essential, in this political arena that we live in. Having already served as the Speaker of the House, Matt has shown clearly that he can bring to that office strong, steady leadership administered with evenhandedness and fairness.

Mr. Chief Clerk, on behalf of the members of this side of the aisle, it is my honor and my privilege to present for nomination for the Speaker of the House for the 1993-94 session the distinguished, great American from Delaware County's 168th District, the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan.

The CHIEF CLERK. Mr. Cessar places in nomination for the office of Speaker the gentleman from Delaware County, the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Mr. Chief Clerk, I move that the nominations now be closed.

The CHIEF CLERK. Mr. Dermody moves that the nominations be closed.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

## TELLERS APPOINTED

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair names as tellers for the purpose of tallying the votes for the office of Speaker, the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. Evans, and the gentleman from Chester County, Mr. Pitts. Will Mr. Evans and Mr. Pitts please come to the podium at this time.

The House will now proceed to elect the Speaker. Those voting for Mr. DeWeese will vote in the affirmative; those voting for Mr. Ryan will vote in the negative. The votes will be tallied as follows: Every "aye" vote will be tallied as a vote for Mr. DeWeese; every "no" vote will be tallied as a vote for Mr. Ryan. Only those members in their seats will be permitted to vote. Members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

### YEAS—104

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Belfanti	Gigliotti	Manderino	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Markosek	Steighner
Blaum	Gruiza	Mayernik	Stetler
Butkovitz	Haluska	Melio	Stish
Buxton	Hanna	Michlovic	Sturla
Caltagirone	Hughes	Mihalich	Surra
Cappabianca	Itkin	Mundy	Tangretti
Carn	James	Murphy	Thomas
Carone	Jarolin	O'Donnell	Tigue
Cawley	Josephs	Olasz	Trello
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Oliver	Trich
Colaella	Kasunic	Pesci	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Keller	Petrarca	Veon
Corrigan	Kirkland	Petrone	Vitali
Cowell	Krebs	Pistella	Williams
Coy	Kukovich	Preston	Wozniak
Curry	LaGrotta	Richardson	Wright, D. R.
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Evans	Linton	Roebuck	Speaker
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### NAYS—98

Adolph	Farmer	Lynch	Saurman
Allen	Fichter	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Fleagle	Marsico	Scheetz
Armstrong	Flick	Masland	Schuler
Baker	Gannon	Merry	Semmel
Barley	Geist	Micozzie	Serafini
Birmelin	Gerlach	Miller	Smith, B.
Boyes	Gladeck	Nailor	Smith, S. H.
Brown	Godshall	Nickol	Snyder, D. W.
Bunt	Gruppo	Nyce	Stairs
Bush	Harley	O'Brien	Steil
Cessar	Hasay	Perzel	Stern
Chadwick	Heckler	Pettit	Strittmatter
Civera	Hennessey	Phillips	Taylor, E. Z.
Clark	Herman	Piccola	Taylor, J.
Clymer	Hershey	Pitts	Tomlinson
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Platts	True
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Druce	King	Rohrer	Waugh
Durham	Laub	Rubley	Wogan
Egolf	Lawless	Ryan	Wright, M. N.
Fairchild	Lee	Sather	Zug
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

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The CHIEF CLERK. The tellers will confirm the recorded vote.

The tellers agree in their count and the vote is as follows: the Honorable H. William DeWeese received 104 votes; the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan received 98 votes.

The Honorable H. William DeWeese, having received the majority of all the votes cast, is hereby declared elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. Congratulations, Mr. DeWeese.

#### COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO ESCORT SPEAKER-ELECT TO ROSTRUM

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair appoints the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Itkin, and the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Ryan, to escort Speaker-elect DeWeese to the rostrum.

The committee to escort the Speaker-elect will proceed with the performance of its duties.

The Chair recognizes the chairman of the committee, Mr. Itkin.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Chief Clerk, it is my distinct honor and privilege in presenting the Speaker-elect of the House for the next session, the Honorable H. William DeWeese of Greene County.

#### OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO SPEAKER-ELECT DeWEESE

(The oath of office was administered to the Honorable H. William DeWeese, Speaker-elect of the House of Representatives, by the Honorable H. Terry Grimes, President Judge of the Greene County Court of Common Pleas.)

#### PRESENTATION OF GAVEL

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chair requests the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan to take the Chair for the purpose of presenting the gavel to Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. RYAN. Thank you, Mr. Chief Clerk.

I realized I lost that election when the 102d member of the Democrat Caucus seconded Mr. DeWeese.

I would like to congratulate you, Mr. Speaker, on being elected the 135th Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. I am honored to have the privilege of

presenting the Speaker's gavel to you today, which, like the mace soon to be to your right, represents authority, peace, order, and respect for law. My hope is that you, too, will experience the same pleasure someday as I am today when you formally present the Speaker's gavel back to me, your witty Irish colleague, with whom you will no longer share colorful, partisan debates.

On a serious note, however, you are now opening a new chapter in your legislative career. By accepting this office of Speaker, you are pledging to be a fair, openminded, neutral, and yes, Bill, impartial representative of your 202 colleagues and the 12 million residents of the Commonwealth.

The office you are about to assume demands integrity, common sense, patience, judgment, tact, a sense of humor—which you may borrow from me at any time you like—self-confidence—which you will have no trouble with—presence of mind, firmness tempered with compassion, and a stamina for late hours—which I know your new bride, Holly, will have some trouble with. Lastly, the Speaker must master the art of maintaining a winning public presence, for he is the highest ranking official of the House who represents all of us.

As you shed your old role of party advocate, partisan spokesman, chief fundraiser for House Democrats, and head warrior who oftentimes relied on that marine heritage of the “first to fight,” remember, you are not giving up the principles of your party; however, you are now expected to dispense justice on a nonpartisan basis. The office of Speaker, a constitutional office, cannot be used for political gain. To do so brings discredit not only to the office but to this institution, of which we are all so proud.

As a former Speaker who has served under seven other Speakers, I am flattered to have been asked to perform the special task of turning the gavel over to Bill DeWeese. He has given me the distinct pleasure of once again standing in the presiding officer's shoes, which is an experience I will never forget. I know he will derive the same satisfaction from this position as I, due to our common heritage and former association in the Marine Corps, our shared pride in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and our strong beliefs in a government “for the people.”

My departing words of wisdom are, strive to serve your House colleagues with the same dedication, drive, respect, and pride as you did the Marines. Here's to “semper fidelis,” or always being faithful to this institution and its mission. Best wishes, Mr. Speaker.

#### THE SPEAKER (H. WILLIAM DeWEESE) PRESIDING

#### ADDRESS BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. I shall be brief. I believe the average remark from this podium during the time that I have been here on this occasion has been in excess of 20 minutes. I will try to cut that in half. Twenty minutes meant that some talked longer than 20 minutes, of course; that was the average.



I want to introduce, just for a quick second, a handful of folks without whom I would not be here, but quite frankly, most all of you are responsible for my being here. I want my mom and dad, Vic and Dottie DeWeese from Greene County, to please stand up, and my wife, Holly, and finally, I would like my sister and brother-in-law and nephew and niece, Kenny and Kathleen, John and Debbie Stark, as well as my in-laws—that is an unfamiliar vocabulary word for me; I am going to try to learn “in-laws”—Dick and Sue Kinser and Holly’s sister, Chris.

Now, although I will touch base with a few folks as my 10 or 12 minutes—I have already upped it to 12—go through, I am not going to introduce specifically anybody else, but I might thank a few folks. I think it is obviously imperative and appropriate and special for me to introduce a good friend of mine who has joined our branch of government today, Bob Casey, our Governor. Bob. That is the first, only, and maybe the last time I will ever call him Bob, but I just wondered if I could get away with it.

General Preate is here. Is General Hafer in the audience? Is Treasurer Knoll in the audience? I want to be respectful to our executive branch. I have good working relationships with all of these statewide elected officials, regardless of party.

I would obviously like to make special note of the Color Guard and some marines who are here. I was a peacetime marine. I had some rigorous training but then a desk job. In spite of my enthusiasm for the corps, I want to make it manifestly clear that I was not heroic in any way. Ernie Preate, a battlefield commander in Vietnam, is here with us, and I want to take special note of the fact that Lt. Gen. Bill or back home known as “Bull” Keys, a graduate of Annapolis many years ago; a company commander who earned the Navy Cross, just under the Medal of Honor, in Vietnam; and led, and led in the grit and sweat and dust and muck and excitement and terror of our recent activities in the Middle East, he led our Marine divisions in the field. I guess I am going to make one exception. Bull Keys, would you please stand up, from Washington County. I knew our legislative district had somebody in the thick of it when I turned on CNN and saw him in his helmet. I had never seen him without his ribbons, but obviously that afternoon I saw him in his war regalia, and war regalia is something that happily is alien to us today.

And that brings me to the pronouncement that I want to linger, other than the brevity of my remarks—and I do have it on my chronometer—and that is that, yes, this is my day, but now my day has been fulfilled to a substantial degree, to an overwhelming degree, but it is your day; it is your families’ day. My vivid recollection of my commencement here will, I am sure, be paralleled by yours, Mr. Maitland and Representative Masland and Mr. Pettit and Representatives Platts and Waugh and Zug, new Republicans as well as the new Democrats that are obviously a close group of my pals and acquaintances. This is a very, very memorable day. That is probably axiomatic. You know I like words, and I do not think that it is an alien circumstance for me to share once in a while—and when I make a mistake, I am sure somebody will

tell me—but I want to explore occasionally the proverbial King’s English. We broke away from the King a long time ago, but nevertheless, the richness of our language occasionally will be—I will at least attempt to share it on occasion to the degree that I can. Of course, if I had had A’s, Bill Keys, I might not have joined the Marine Corps on graduation day, so my abilities are somewhat circumscribed as are all of our abilities.

But it is important to look at this room, and, Matthew Ryan, we do disagree on things from time to time, if not a lot of things, but we do agree so steadfastly and incontrovertibly about this chamber - this sumptuous, grand place where we come and do our business. Joe Pitts and Matt Ryan, a long time ago, along with Jim Manderino and Lee Irvis, in the late seventies and early eighties, saw that a state of decrepitude was coming to this Capitol, and over the last decade there have been scaffoldings erected and painters and sculptors and refurbishers and refinishers come into this building and revivify it. The National Geographic and the Smithsonian Institution not too long ago did a study of all the 50 Capitol Buildings. For all the little children in the audience, for Kenny and Kathleen and for all the people who have never been here before, they know what Mr. Marsico’s family knows, that this building is the nicest of the 50 State Capitols from objective people, so it is a real special day for us to be here.

Franklin was Speaker 229 years ago. Two hundred and twenty-nine years ago in many, many parts of this country, if you were not white, if you did not own 100 acres of land, you could not vote, and now obviously the body politic is well represented by so many of us from, as Louise Williams Bishop so eloquently asserted, a wide variety of backgrounds. We are not all white; we are not all male; we are not all wealthy, and the heterogeneity of our membership obviously is responsive to the heterogeneity of our State.

I have three quick policy overviews that I want to share. One will deal with a couple of issues; the second will deal with our ethical behavior, our ethical behavior; and finally, as I close my remarks, I want to talk about the divisions that Matt alluded to and that Reverend Corbett talked about when he said that the other guy or other gal could be right.

In just a very short matter of time, we will come back to this chamber and decide an issue of paramount importance to our State, and that is the way we discipline our judges who do wrong. We will also, to the best of my knowledge, discuss the way we select our judiciary, whether we will continue to elect or whether there will be a merit system. My own view and I hope some of the members of my caucus as well as the other side would be that we take our trial bar in Lebanon and Juniata and Greene and Erie and Philadelphia and wherever and allow that group of elected men and women who have gone through the political process, who have been to the township barn, who have been to the fire hall, who know what Al Bush knows when he does his politicking on the stump - that the men and women out there in the State have to be listened to, have to be responded to. I would like to take that as the pool and draw our judges from that pool. Now, that is not pure merit; that is

not pure election. It is a compromise; it is a fusion of perspectives.

We are obviously going to have to continue to deal with what Bill Lloyd, Frank Pistella, Bob Belfanti, and a lot of other people on the Republican side, Joe Gladeck and others, have been dealing with on the workers' compensation issue. Governor Casey has admonished us many times, correctly, to be more aggressive, more assertive, more involved, and hopefully more successful because the businessmen and businesswomen of our State, along with the people who work for them, are going to demand, rightfully so, that we come up with some better worker compensation solutions.

There is a massive, massive inequity in the way we fund our schools, and that has to be dealt with also.

Those few issues are ones that I want to put on the platter. There will be thousands of bills that we will deal with, but our school funding and our workers' compensation—

There is always commotion and excitement in this hall.

But it brings me to my second point, and that is our ethical behavior. Tom Murphy, a Representative from Pittsburgh, and I had a discussion not too long ago about the collective ethos in our chamber and the perception from outside this chamber and how people view us, and all of us know that in spite of the fact that this is not Montenegro, Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, the fact is that you got elected with ballots. There were no bullets. I think Perzel thought somebody was going to shoot him one time down in Philadelphia, but that never happened.

But we have to change our ethical behavior. It is no secret, it is no secret that our ethics as a political team nationwide - in the executive branch, the legislative branch, and of course, the judicial branch - have all been called into question. Just recently the Keating Five, United States Senators; Jim Wright, the Speaker of the House, the United States House of Representatives, hurled from office; Marion Barry using cocaine on the streets of Washington, DC; the South Carolina legislature, the Arizona legislature, caught in the web of FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) scams.

Public service cannot be seen as personal aggrandizement. It cannot be seen that way, and that was the essence of Mr. Murphy's discussion with me.

If we are going to realize the wholesomeness, the altruism, the religious goals that some people ascribe to and embrace like Father Corbett and many others, we are going to have to jettison the rhetoric of division. We are going to have to realize— And this is something that is so important to me and so important, I think, to the Grand Old Party, because more and more and more I see suburban interests represented and I see rural interests represented. On this side the suburban-urban-rural amalgam has been something that we have been working with for a long time, but there is no one, I guess, that realizes out there the collection of things that I want to say right now, and that is that the cities are not the poorest places in our State. Places like Greene County and Fayette County, where I represent, are the poorest. Philadelphia has more kids per capita going on to college than rural Juniata County right in the heart of Pennsylvania. There is more unemployment per

capita in rural Huntingdon County than there is in the big cities.

Urban and rural travails are sides of the same coin. Together they mean that the majority of our citizens do not have the opportunities which our suburban neighbors are so familiar with. Those of us from suburban areas must remember the traditional Judeo-Christian value of the Golden Rule and the African value of community purpose not just on days of formal worship but right here on this floor.

These are not intended as adroit words to sweeten the acrid air of partisanship. Pennsylvania cannot afford such divisions any longer.

Our constituents need to know that too many children, especially too many children in rural precincts - Juniata, Huntingdon, Greene, Fayette, and others - are being denied an opportunity to learn. Governor Casey and I have discussed this before.

Kids in Albert Gallatin, where Georgie Franks lives, have about 3,500 bucks a year paid into the educational system for them, and some of our colleagues, including some on our side who represent affluent suburban areas, have gone up to almost \$11,000 - \$11,000 for one child; \$3,500 for another. We cannot consider ourselves successful until we remedy this injustice.

My final observation will be on partisanship. The divisions of urban, suburban, rural being obvious; some of the issues that I have shared being paramount, all of us know what the word means. It is necessary; it is very necessary. I was talking with Ivan Itkin and Mark Cohen recently about some issues that they did not agree upon, and then they reminded me that there are over 20 political parties in Israel.

As Pauline Crumrine, my county commissioner, knows and my judge, Judge Grimes— Believe it or not, Matthew, a Republican from Greene County—13,000 Democrats, 3,000 Republicans, and we have a Republican judge. That shows that partisanship does not always have to be preeminent. We are going to have to put politics to the side. Politics has to be secondary to policy, and guess what? I am guilty of the blanket indictment of sometimes not doing that, of putting politics in front of policy. We cannot succumb to the siren song of the sound bite. We have got to realize that issues, like Father Corbett said, have two sides.

Our majority, Mr. Ryan, our majority on this side of the building and on the other side of the building is inherently transient, is inherently transient. We are going to have to work closer together. Garry Wills wrote a book on "Lincoln at Gettysburg," and he said, "We must not unravel our morale in great trains of recrimination." I just think that if we use that as a fundamental benchmark for our work, John Wozniaks and John Lawlesses are going to get along a lot better. We need you, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Perzel, ladies and gentlemen of the Republican Party. I have every intention of being as nonpartisan as possible. It will be the font of our folly if we continue to be partisan. We have got to invite each other to the table.

We have got to take our committees out into the homes and businesses of our State. We have got to move around the State. Now, of course, the Tourism Committee will not be able to go too far, but we will have to— But we can go out to Chick Tulli's, out in Hershey. We just cannot go to Hagerstown or Wheeling.

Believe it or not, it has been 17 minutes and I am ready to wrap her up. Thanks, George Burrell, for being here. Thanks, Moss Murphy, for being here. Frank and Peggy Behm, thanks for being here. Barry Crumrine, thanks for being here.

I am a lucky fellow. I have got a lot of supporters. I have got antagonists and people who want to pen and parry, and that is as it should be. We are not in Azerbaijan; we are not in Armenia. We are in Clarion County with Dave Wright; we are with Tom Fee up in New Castle; we are with Tony Colaizzo down in Canonsburg.

I told my fellow I really did not have an ending. I did not want an ending on somewhat diffuse remarks, but I am going to use what he suggested, because I think it wraps up everything. And when I told him, he said, yeah, go ahead; go ahead and just use that and glide off the podium.

The Jewish New Year which we experienced not all that long ago gave a friend of mine some inspiration, and he shared with me an old Hebrew saying. I think we should remember that saying as we work toward our issues, as we work toward less partisanship, as we work toward bringing suburbs and rural and urban together, and that old Jewish saying was, "Behave as though God made you worthy. It is true."

Doc Faulhaber and everybody else here, thanks very much.

### PRESENTATION OF COMMEMORATIVE GAVEL

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the Chief Clerk.

The CHIEF CLERK. The Chief Clerk is delighted to present a commemorative gavel to a gentleman whom I have had the privilege and pleasure of knowing and serving for over 16 years in this House of Representatives. Mr. Speaker, please accept this commemorative gavel, and I wish you the very, very best. Thank you, Bill. Congratulations.

### PLACING OF MACE

The SPEAKER. The oath of office having been taken by the members of the House and the Speaker elected, the Chair instructs the Sergeant at Arms to now place the mace on the rostrum. The mace is the symbol of the authority of the House. When the mace is at the Speaker's right, the House is in session.

(Mace was placed on rostrum.)

The SPEAKER. Mr. Eric Myers, thank you very much.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAJORITY FLOOR LEADERS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin County, Mr. Coy, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. COY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As chairman of the Democratic Caucus, I have been instructed to announce for the information of the members of the House and for the record that the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Itkin, has been elected majority leader by the Democratic Caucus and that the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen, has been elected majority whip. Furthermore, the gentleman from Butler County, Mr. Steighner, has been elected caucus secretary; the gentleman from Beaver County, Mr. Veon, has been elected policy chairman; the gentleman from Lackawanna County, Mr. Belardi, has been elected caucus administrator; and the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Evans, has been elected chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF MINORITY FLOOR LEADERS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blair County, Mr. Geist, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. GEIST. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

As chairman of the Republican Caucus, I have been instructed to announce for the information of the members of the House and for the record that the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Ryan, has been elected minority leader by the Republican Caucus and that the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Perzel, has been elected minority whip. Furthermore, the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Cornell, has been elected caucus secretary; the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Barley, has been elected policy chairman; the gentleman from Mercer County, Mr. Fargo, has been elected caucus administrator; and the gentleman from Chester County, Mr. Pitts, has been elected minority chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman and thanks him for his comments.

### NEW MEMBERS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Butler County, Mr. Steighner, to introduce the freshman members of the Democratic Caucus.

Mr. STEIGHNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Democratic Caucus is extremely proud of our freshman class. They represent the determination of success and the hopes and the dreams of the people who sent them here. I would ask that they rise after being introduced and remain standing, that we hold our applause until we have completed the roll.

Representative Ron Buxton of Dauphin County; Representative Lawrence Curry of Montgomery County; Representative John Gordner of Columbia County; Representative Linda Bebko-Jones of Erie County; Representative William Keller of Philadelphia County; Representative Thaddeus Kirkland of Delaware County; Representative Marie Lederer of Philadelphia County; Representative Kathy Manderino of Philadelphia County; Representative Larry Roberts of Fayette County; Representative T. J. Rooney of Lehigh and Northampton Counties; Representative Dante Santoni of Berks County; Representative Greg Vitali of Delaware County; Representative Frank Yandrisevits of Lehigh and Northampton Counties; and Representative Tom Yewcic of Cambria and Somerset Counties.

Ladies and gentlemen, the Democratic freshman class.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, who, I might like to add, is a good buddy of mine, Roy Cornell, to introduce the freshman members of his caucus.

Mr. CORNELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Republican Caucus is equally proud of its newly elected members. I would like to introduce them alphabetically, ask them to stand, and again, please withhold your applause until after I have done that.

Matthew Baker from Bradford and Tioga Counties; Lita Indzel Cohen from Montgomery County; Tom Druce from Bucks County; C. Allan Egolf from Cumberland, Franklin, and Perry Counties; John Fichter from Montgomery County; Timothy Hennessey from Chester County; Scott Hutchinson, Venango County; Marty Laub, Montgomery County; James Lynch, Forest, McKean, and Warren Counties; Stephen Maitland, Adams County; Al Masland, Cumberland and York Counties; Sheila Miller, Berks County; Al Pettit, Allegheny and Washington Counties; Todd Platts, York County; Sam Rohrer, Berks County; Carole Rubley, Chester County; Larry Sather, Blair and Huntingdon Counties; Stan Saylor, York County; David Steil, Bucks County; Jerry Stern, Bedford and Blair Counties; Katie Truc, Lancaster County; Michael Waugh, York County; and last but certainly not least, Peter Zug, Dauphin and Lebanon Counties.

Ladies and gentlemen, this is our Republican freshman class.

#### REMARKS BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Mr. Ivan Itkin, from Allegheny County, for remarks.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Speaker and ladies and gentlemen, friends and families, good afternoon. I am pleased to see everyone here on this wonderful day. Whether this is your 1st or your 15th swearing-in, this ceremony never loses its charm, and let me extend to you again, Mr. DeWeese, my heartiest congratulations on your election as Speaker. You did an excellent campaign, and you are victorious, and I commend you for your elevation as Speaker. Thank you very much.

I would like to now introduce some of my family members who are here with me: my wife, Joyce; my children, Marc and Laurie and Max; my mother-in-law, Holly Hudak; my sister-in-law, Nancy Schultz; my brother-in-law, Michael Hudak, and his wife, Theresa, and their sons, Michael and Mark; and with me here today is my rabbi, Mark Staitman, and his son, Nathan, also in this chamber. Unfortunately, my dad, who is 91 years of age, is unable to be with us today. He is getting up there in years, and we did not think the trip was going to be good for his physical condition.

Nevertheless, I am pleased to see all of us here this afternoon, and right now I am thinking of an old saying: "Red sky at night, sailor's delight." Maybe you, like me, could not help but notice that this Nation's economic horizon has been glowing brightly in recent evenings. Nothing is definite, of course, but it looks like this year's sailing will be smoother than any we have encountered lately.

Today's weather forecast calls for a new dawn of optimism. American citizens feel more secure about the future, and that optimism is a better economic indicator than any Dow Jones average or GNP (gross national product) prediction. When people have hope, they spend their money on goods and services. As demand grows, jobs open up. Any economy lives and dies on the attitude of its people.

I am gratified by the faith that Americans have shown in the new Presidential administration. They see the transition not just as a game of bureaucratic musical chairs but as an opportunity to become involved in the policies that affect their daily lives.

This Commonwealth has a similar opportunity. We can and must go to Washington with our ideas and our concerns. We represent millions of people, many of them wondering where they will be working as operations are scaled back at the military bases and big industries. Only as true partners with the Federal Government can State officials reap any economic benefits for their constituents.

Of course, we share any number of concerns with our peers in other States. As democracy's original laboratory, Pennsylvania must continue to lead this country in the right direction.

We have got to come up with fresh solutions to old problems and then ask ourselves, "Will Pennsylvanians benefit from this change?" If the answer is yes, then we have a responsibility to put that proposal into play. We owe it to our people, and we owe it to our Nation.

But a proposal without action is like the living room in a movie set. Look at it through the viewfinder, and you think you could live there, but step aside from the camera, and see the 2-by-4's supporting the walls, the chairs placed at awkward angles, and the Plexiglas windows overlooking Styrofoam trees.

If we simply pass bills without enacting laws, then we are building movie sets instead of real-life homes. As one team in a three-team process, the House must cooperate with the Senate and the Governor so that Pennsylvania's laws reflect our changing times.

Of course, I do not need to tell anyone here that finding our political bearings will be a little tough for a while. In 2 years, this State will have a new Governor, one who might not share the current Governor's hopes and visions. And in 2 days or 2 months or 22 months—nobody knows when or whether—the Senate could undergo another shakeup. More razor-thin votes on the floor, more furniture and files blocking the halls, more deals that die a sudden death because of the dealmaker's demotion. It is a difficult, uncertain atmosphere in which to do business.

All of this political instability only underscores the urgent need for cooperation between the House and the Senate - across the Capitol and across the aisles - and with the Governor.

We need to improve our schools. Let us talk about it, Governor Casco. A major highway needs major repairs. Tell us who benefits, Senators Lincoln and Jubelirer. The manufacturing sector needs a boost. Okay, Matt Ryan, what ideas do you have?

Anyone who ignores the legislative process and who flouts the rules of cooperation and compromise is doomed to failure. But we are not here today because we expect to fail. We expect to succeed, and we will succeed. We need only stay attuned with our constituents' and each other's needs, making our terms of service in this new legislative session personally and professionally rewarding for ourselves and the people of Pennsylvania.

The citizens of this State have seen the "red sky at night," and they are hopeful that it means better times to come. It is up to us to bring about the changes they want, and I am looking forward to working with each of you in that effort. Thank you.

#### REMARKS BY MAJORITY WHIP

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the majority whip, Mark Cohen, of Philadelphia.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, today we join in sharing the glory of mutual victories grounded in teamwork at home. For the rest of this session, we will be struggling to achieve mutual collective victories grounded in teamwork here.

The demands we face are varied. They inherently cannot all be achieved.

As individuals, we are asked to be honest to all and offensive to none; to be unyielding in devotion to principle and responsive to each constituent; to be utterly selfless and to lead normal lives.

As an institution, we are asked to greatly expand governmental services and to drastically slash governmental spending; to expand governmental problem-solving and to get government off our backs; to provide bold leadership for change and to maintain stability.

To state just a few of the many conflicting demands we face is to admit there will be inevitable perceptions of failure. Anyone who comes into the legislature believing he or she can avoid being criticized inevitably learns to the contrary. To see

yourself through the eyes of professional critics can be a humbling experience.

And yet, despite whatever failures will exist and will be alleged, there will be grand successes. The lives of real people will be better off because we were here; needed programs will be funded; oppressive bureaucratic actions will be overturned; and citizen after citizen throughout this Commonwealth will know that we are on their side.

Top-down monarchies may temporarily offer a degree of symbolic stability; top-down Communist regimes may temporarily offer various degrees of order and economic security; but only bottom-up democracies such as our own permanently offer a society dedicated to the advancement and freedom of all citizens and families. We will never be able to meet each need of each family and each citizen, but the glory of our job as the representatives of State government who are closest to the people is our daily struggle to make the impossibilities of today the realities of tomorrow.

Those of us, members and guests alike, who have seen these ceremonies before cannot help but reflect on how much has changed and how much has remained the same.

"You, friends, are the people's choice," William Penn told the General Assembly in 1700. "You'll see what laws are to be made and you, with me, are to prepare and propose them," Penn said then.

Our challenges grow ever more complex, but our core responsibilities remain the same. When our session concludes, I am confident we will be proud of what we have done.

#### REMARKS BY MINORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Ryan, for remarks.

Mr. RYAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Ladies and gentlemen of the House, distinguished guests, we gather today in this historic chamber to swear our oaths and to begin our legislative duties, an occasion made joyous by the presence of our families and our friends. Today we assemble to commence our service. It is more than a swearing-in ceremony. It is a celebration - a celebration of democracy, a celebration of representative government, a celebration of free assembly, a celebration of the contract of the people of Pennsylvania and its legislators.

Over three centuries ago William Penn had a dream for this Commonwealth - a dream where each citizen could choose his own work or calling, where each could worship in his own way, where each could be free to choose his own representative to make the laws in a self-government under which no one would be above the law or outside its jurisdiction. He called this dream a Commonwealth. His dream came true. There is no greater proof of that truth than the solemn oath you have taken here today, to protect and support the Commonwealth he created. You, the duly elected legislators, are the defenders of that dream, framed by Penn in the original Pennsylvania House of Representatives in Philadelphia over 300 years ago.

We who serve as Representatives in the Pennsylvania House, honored by our special heritage and enabled by our unique tradition, have given our sworn pledge to serve our constituencies, our Commonwealth, and our country. By so doing, we are very much a part of continuing, of saving, the dream of William Penn.

During the three decades I have had the honor to serve as a member of this House, I have learned many things. As I look back on what has been done, I see very clearly what remains to be done.

Make no mistake, we have our work cut out for us when we come back later this month to get to work on the 1993-94 legislative agenda, much of which was outlined here today by our new Speaker.

To those of you who are being sworn in for your first term as a member of the House, I say welcome and congratulations. Keep in mind, those of us who have served here before you and continue to serve stand at the ready to encourage you, to guide you, and help you in any way we can.

To all our incumbent members, I also say congratulations. Welcome back.

My special congratulations to the new leaders on both sides of the aisles and my special thanks to all of our guests, the families of all of our members, for coming here today to share this great moment with us. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

#### REMARKS BY MINORITY WHIP

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the minority whip, a worthy foe, Mr. John Perzel, from Philadelphia.

Mr. PERZEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I was very glad to hear your comments where you said you were going to put politics behind and put policy ahead. My colleagues on my side of the aisle are well aware of the fact that I have never let politics come first. I have always tried to make sure policy was the most important thing.

During the past few months I have reflected on what it means both to be a leader and a member of this body. I thought back to the many leaders who have served in this House since I was first elected in 1979 and in particular remembered some of the leadership, some of my personal friends - Matt Ryan from Delaware County, and the father of one of our newest members, Jim Manderino, one of the finest leaders to serve in this General Assembly.

I have also taken this opportunity to talk to many other members about their views concerning the future of this body. While not meaning in any way to slight our returning colleagues, I thought I would focus my few remarks here this afternoon on the new members who are here today.

I recall the questions and trepidation I had as I sat here for the first time in 1979. I also recall the joy and the happiness I had sharing that wonderful moment with my family and friends. I can tell you that I am still excited each time we begin a new legislative session, and incidentally, I have my family and friends here, and I am not going to introduce them all.

During the past year you campaigned for office and were able to offer your views on specific issues or actually on issues in general. During the next 2 years you will have to make hard choices concerning many of those same issues. You will have to decide where the lines are to be drawn in specific situations. You will have to choose between alternatives because not every item can be addressed - the solution of one problem may very well prevent the solving of another. You will be forced to make hard choices that people outside this institution may never understand or appreciate.

In making those decisions, I suggest you reflect on your own personal beliefs, the views of your constituents, and the needs of the entire Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I would offer to you as a guiding rule a statement made by my predecessor, Sam Hayes, on the floor of this House on the first day of my first session in 1979. He suggested that we, and I quote, "...help the people of Pennsylvania by representing them as we would want to be represented ourselves," end of quote.

This has proven to be an excellent principle to use in making decisions concerning matters before this House of Representatives. Following it will result in your family and friends being as proud of you the day you leave public service as they are of you here today.

Thank you for your kind attention, Mr. Speaker. Good luck in your efforts to represent your constituents, and have a nice day. Thank you.

#### PARLIAMENTARIAN APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. In compliance with the laws of the Commonwealth authorizing the Speaker to appoint a Parliamentarian, the Chair appoints Clancy Myer as Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives.

Clancy, congratulations.

#### COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. At this time the Chair would appoint a committee to notify the Senate that the House is organized: the lady from Philadelphia, Ms. Josephs; the gentleman from Berks County, Mr. Santoni; the lady from Crawford County, Mrs. Brown. Would you please discharge your duty. Thank you.

#### COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair would appoint a committee to wait upon the Governor and notify him that the House is organized: the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Trello; the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Keller; and the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Armstrong.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

##### ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Mr. Itkin.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Speaker, at this time I would like to introduce a resolution.

The SPEAKER. The clerk will read the resolution.

The following resolution was read:

### House Resolution No. 1

#### A RESOLUTION

Providing for the adoption of temporary rules of the House of Representatives with amendments relating to committees.

RESOLVED, That the existing rules of the 1991-1992 session be and are hereby adopted for a period of 30 calendar days as the temporary rules for the 1993-1994 session of the House of Representatives with the exception of Rule 43 which is amended to read:

#### RULE 43

##### Standing Committees and Subcommittees

The Committee on Committees shall consist of the Speaker and 15 members of the House, ten of whom shall be members of the majority party and five of whom shall be members of the minority party, whose duty shall be to recommend to the House the names of members who are to serve on the standing committees of the House.

The Speaker shall appoint the chairman and vice-chairman of each standing committee when such standing committee has no standing subcommittees as prescribed herein, except the Committee on Appropriations which shall also have a vice-chairman appointed by the Speaker; when the standing committee has standing subcommittees, the Speaker shall appoint a subcommittee chairman for each standing subcommittee. The Speaker shall appoint a secretary for each standing committee. The Minority Leader shall appoint the minority chairman and minority vice-chairman of each standing committee and the minority subcommittee chairman for each standing subcommittee.

The Speaker of the House, Floor Leader of the majority party and the Floor Leader of the minority party shall be ex-officio members of all standing committees, without the right to vote and they shall be excluded from any limitation as to the number of members on the committees or in counting a quorum.

Twenty-one standing committees of the House, each to consist of 24 members except the Committee on Appropriations, which shall consist of 32 members, are hereby created. In addition, there is hereby created 27 standing subcommittees.

All standing committees shall consist of 14 members of the majority party and ten members of the minority party, except the Committee on Appropriations which shall consist of 20 members of the majority party and 12 members of the minority party. The quorum for each of the standing committees and subcommittees shall be no less than the majority of said committees. The following are the standing committees and subcommittees thereof:

- (1) Aging and Youth
  - (a) Subcommittee on Aging
  - (b) Subcommittee on Youth
- (2) Agriculture and Rural Affairs
- (3) Appropriations
  - (a) Subcommittee on Health and Welfare
  - (b) Subcommittee on Education
  - (c) Subcommittee on Capital Budget
- (4) Business and [Commerce] Economic Development
  - (a) Subcommittee on [Banking and Savings and Loan Associations] Financial Services and Banking
  - (b) Subcommittee on Housing
  - (c) Subcommittee on [Industrial Development, Recreation and Tourism] Economic Development
- (5) Conservation
  - (a) Subcommittee on Mining

- (6) Consumer Affairs
  - (a) Subcommittee on Public Utilities
  - (b) Subcommittee on Telecommunications
- (7) Education
  - (a) Subcommittee on Basic Education
  - (b) Subcommittee on Higher Education
- (8) Federal-State Relations
- (9) Finance
- (10) Game and Fisheries
- (11) Health and Welfare
  - (a) Subcommittee on Health
  - (b) Subcommittee on Welfare
- (12) Insurance
- (13) Judiciary
  - (a) Subcommittee on Crime and Corrections
  - (b) Subcommittee on Courts
- (14) Labor Relations
- (15) Liquor Control
  - (a) Subcommittee on Licensing
  - (b) Subcommittee on Marketing
- (16) Local Government
  - (a) Subcommittee on Boroughs
  - (b) Subcommittee on Counties
  - (c) Subcommittee on Townships
- (17) Military and Veterans Affairs
- (18) Professional Licensure
- (19) State Government
  - (a) Subcommittee on Telecommunications
- (20) Transportation
  - (a) Subcommittee on Highways
  - (b) Subcommittee on Public Transportation
  - (c) Subcommittee on Transportation Safety
  - (d) Subcommittee on Aviation
- (21) Urban Affairs
  - (a) Subcommittee on Cities, Counties - First Class
  - (b) Subcommittee on Cities, Counties - Second Class
  - (c) Subcommittee on Cities, Third Class

Ivan Itkin

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Resolution was adopted.

### COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The following members have been selected to serve on the Committee on Committees: the chairman, from Allegheny County, Mr. Olasz; the membership will be Mr. McCall, Mr. Dermody, Mr. Itkin, Mr. Evans, Mr. George, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Linton, Mr. Rieger, Mr. Steighner, Mr. Cessar, Mr. Hasay, Mr. Bush, Mrs. Durham, Mr. Reber, and the Speaker.

We are at this point awaiting the arrival of the Senate, and the House will be at ease for 5 minutes.

### COMMITTEE ON PART OF SENATE RECOGNIZED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the Sergeant at Arms of the House.

The SERGEANT AT ARMS. Mr. Speaker, the chairman of the committee on the part of the Senate, Senator Stapleton.



The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Senator Stapleton from Indiana.

Mr. STAPLETON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we are a committee from the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is convened and organized in regular session and ready to proceed with business.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. STAPLETON. Thank you.

## SENATE MESSAGE

### JOINT SESSION

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate  
January 5, 1993

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Senate and House of Representatives meet in Joint Session, Tuesday, January 5, 1993 at 2:15 p.m. in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of witnessing the opening, counting and computing the official returns of the election for State Treasurer, Auditor General and Attorney General, held on Tuesday, November 3, 1992 in the several counties of the Commonwealth and to elect a Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

Resolution was concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### COMMITTEE TO ESCORT SENATE

Mr. ITKIN offered the following resolution, which was read, considered, and adopted:

In the House of Representatives  
January 5, 1993

RESOLVED, That the Speaker appoint a committee of three to escort the members and officers of the Senate to the Hall of the House for the purpose of attending the Joint Session of the General Assembly.

## COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as a committee to wait upon the Senate, the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Linton; the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Fajt; the gentleman from Lehigh, Mr. Dent.

The committee will proceed with the performance of its duties.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### APPOINTMENT OF TELLER

Mr. ITKIN offered the following resolution, which was read, considered, and adopted:

In the House of Representatives  
January 5, 1993

RESOLVED, That the gentleman from Armstrong County, Mr. Pesci, be appointed Teller on the part of the House of Representatives to open and compute the vote for Attorney General, Auditor General and Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in a Joint Session of the Senate and House at a time to be fixed by concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER. The Sergeant at Arms is instructed to politely and deferentially ask the people seated right in front of the camera in the semicircle to please vacate and allow our brothers and sisters from the State Senate to be seated there. There are a handful of seats that have opened up on the sides, and I am apologetic, but I do not see any recourse. Thank you very much.

You are all welcome to stand along the sides of the chamber. The Senate should be here within 10 minutes.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ESCORTING SENATE

The SPEAKER. The Senate of Pennsylvania is now entering the hall of the House. The members will please rise.

The Chair recognizes the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives.

The SERGEANT AT ARMS. Mr. Speaker, the chairman of the committee on the part of the House, Representative Linton.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the chairman of the committee escorting the Senate, Representative Gordon Linton.

Mr. LINTON. Mr. Speaker, your committee appointed to wait upon the Senate and escort them to the hall of the House has performed that duty and reports that the Senate is in attendance.

The SPEAKER. The committee is discharged with the thanks of the House. Thank you very much.

The Chair requests the Lieutenant Governor, the Honorable Mark S. Singel, to preside over the proceedings of the joint session of the General Assembly.

The President pro tem of the Senate, Robert J. Mellow, is invited to be seated on the rostrum.

The members of the Senate will please be seated.

It is my honor to present to the General Assembly and to our friends and family my friend, Mark Singel, our Lieutenant Governor. Mark, here is the gavel. Welcome.



# JOINT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
MARK S. SINGEL PRESIDING

## ELECTION RETURNS PRESENTED

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.  
This joint session will come to order.

This being the day and time agreed upon by a concurrent resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth for the opening and computing of the official returns of the election of the State Treasurer, the State Auditor General, and the State Attorney General held on Tuesday, November 3, 1992, in the several counties of this Commonwealth, the returns will now be opened and read.

The teller on the part of the Senate is the Senator from Philadelphia County, Senator Jones, and the teller on the part of the House of Representatives is the Representative from Armstrong County, Tim Pesci. The tellers will please come to the desks assigned to them by the Chief Clerk and proceed in the performance of their duties.

The clerk will proceed with the reading of the election returns for Treasurer, Auditor General, and Attorney General.

The following election returns were read:

### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the General Election held November 3, 1992 for the office of State Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, wherein it was disclosed that:

Catherine Baker Knoll, Democratic, received 2,832,031 votes  
Lowman S. Henry, Republican, received 1,532,527 votes  
Robert E. Derringer, Libertarian, received 95,835 votes

as the same have been certified to and filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the sixty-seven County Boards of Elections.

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal of  
my office this fourth day of  
January, 1993.

Brenda K. Mitchell  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the General Election held November 3, 1992 for the office of Auditor General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, wherein it was disclosed that:

Craig Lewis, Democratic, received 2,068,629 votes  
Barbara Hafer, Republican, received 2,340,915 votes  
James N. Clymer, Libertarian, received 164,403 votes

as the same have been certified to and filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the sixty-seven County Boards of Elections.

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal of  
my office this fourth day of  
January, 1993.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the General Election held November 3, 1992 for the office of Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, wherein it was disclosed that:

Joe Kohn, Democratic, received 2,187,792 votes  
Ernie Preate, Republican, received 2,313,397 votes  
John R. Ewbank, Libertarian, received 92,988 votes

as the same have been certified to and filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by the sixty-seven County Boards of Elections.

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal of  
my office this fourth day of  
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## CERTIFICATE ON ELECTION EXPENSES

### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1632(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code [25 P.S. § 3252(b)], I do hereby certify that Ernie Preate, Attorney General, Barbara Hafer, Auditor General, and Catherine Baker Knoll, State Treasurer, have filed all of the reports and statements of contributions and expenditures required by the provisions of Article XVI of the Pennsylvania Election Code entitled "Primary and Election Expenses."

(SEAL)

Witness my hand and the seal  
of my office this fourth day of  
January, 1993.

Brenda K. Mitchell  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

**TELLERS' REPORT**

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The Chair would recognize the teller, Senator Jones.

Mrs. JONES. Mr. President and members of the General Assembly, the tellers agree in their count and submit their report of the votes cast for the offices of State Treasurer, Auditor General, and Attorney General:

For State Treasurer:

Catherine Baker Knoll, Democratic, received 2,832,031 votes;

Lowman S. Henry, Republican, received 1,532,527 votes;

Robert E. Derringer, Libertarian, received 95,835 votes.

For Auditor General:

Barbara Hafer, Republican, received 2,340,915 votes;

Craig Lewis, Democratic, received 2,068,629 votes;

James N. Clymer, Libertarian, received 164,403 votes.

For Attorney General:

Ernie Preate, Republican, received 2,313,397 votes;

Joe Kohn, Democratic, received 2,187,792 votes;

John R. Ewbank, Libertarian, received 92,988 votes.

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Catherine Baker Knoll having received the highest number of votes is duly elected Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of 4 years from the third Tuesday of January 1993.

Barbara Hafer having received the highest number of votes is duly elected Auditor General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of 4 years from the third Tuesday of January 1993.

Ernie Preate having received the highest number of votes is duly elected Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the term of 4 years from the third Tuesday of January 1993.

**CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION FILED**

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The certificates of election for Treasurer, Auditor General, and Attorney General, having been signed by the officers and tellers on the part of the Senate and the House of Representatives, will be filed.

The following signed certificates of election were filed:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
January 5, 1993

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the fifth day of January, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three, in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for State Treasurer of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the General Assembly, conforming to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of said Commonwealth and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed on the part of each House, it appeared that The Honorable Catherine Baker Knoll had the

highest number of votes; whereupon the said Honorable Catherine Baker Knoll was declared to have been duly elected State Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year above written.

(SEAL)

Mark S. Singel  
President of the Senate

(SEAL)

H. William DeWeese  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Roxanne H. Jones  
Teller on the part  
of the Senate

Timothy L. Pesci  
Teller on the part of the  
House of Representatives

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
January 5, 1993

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the fifth day of January, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three, in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for State Auditor General of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the General Assembly, conforming to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of said Commonwealth and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed on the part of each House, it appeared that The Honorable Barbara Hafer had the highest number of votes; whereupon the said Honorable Barbara Hafer was declared to have been duly elected State Auditor General of the Commonwealth.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year above written.

(SEAL)

Mark S. Singel  
President of the Senate

(SEAL)

H. William DeWeese  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Roxanne H. Jones  
Teller on the part  
of the Senate

Timothy L. Pesci  
Teller on the part of the  
House of Representatives

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
January 5, 1993

We, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the President of the Senate did, on the fifth day of January, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and ninety-three, in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for State Attorney General of this Commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of both Houses of the General Assembly, conforming to the provisions of the Constitution and laws of said Commonwealth and upon counting the votes by a teller appointed on the part of each House, it appeared that The Honorable Ernie Preate had the highest number of votes; whereupon the said Honorable Ernie Preate was declared to have been duly elected State Attorney General of the Commonwealth.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year above written.

(SEAL) Mark S. Singel  
President of the Senate

(SEAL) H. William DeWeese  
Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Roxanne H. Jones  
Teller on the part  
of the Senate

Timothy L. Pesci  
Teller on the part of the  
House of Representatives

### NOMINATION FOR DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The General Assembly will now proceed to the election of a Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau. Nominations are now in order.

The Chair recognizes the Representative from Allegheny County, Representative Itkin.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. President, I rise to place the name of a very distinguished, able Pennsylvanian into nomination for Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau - someone who has served ably for the past 4 years in that post—he has done an admirable job—and someone whom I am very happy to see reelected to that post again.

I hereby present to the joint session the name of John Hartman for reelection to Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau.

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fayette County, Senator Lincoln.

Mr. LINCOLN. Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to second this nomination. Having experienced the thrill of serving here in the House for three terms, Mr. Hartman was a member on staff here in the House Democratic Caucus at that time. I have known him for quite a few years. He has done an outstanding job, and I would hope that the confidence that we are displaying here today with this vote, that he will continue that job, and knowing him, I know that he will. Thank you.

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Are there further nominations or seconds?

If not, the Chair declares the nominations closed.

Those in favor of John W. Hartman for the office of Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau will say "aye"; those opposed, "no." The "ayes" have it, and John W. Hartman is declared unanimously elected Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau.

### COMMITTEE TO ESCORT DIRECTOR-ELECT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The Representative from Allegheny County, Representative Ivan Itkin, and the Senator from Fayette County, Senator William Lincoln, will escort John W. Hartman to the front of the rostrum for the purpose of taking the oath of office.

### OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Please rise.

We are pleased to have with us Judge Terry Grimes, who will perform the administration of the oath of office.

(The oath of office was administered to Mr. John W. Hartman, Director-elect of the Legislative Reference Bureau, by the Honorable H. Terry Grimes, President Judge of the Greene County Court of Common Pleas.)

### JOINT SESSION ADJOURNED

The LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. We are now prepared to adjourn the joint session. The Chair would simply ask the members of the House and visitors to remain seated for just a moment while the members of the Senate convene in the center aisle and leave the hall of the House.

The members of the Senate will please reassemble immediately in the Senate chamber upon adjournment of this meeting to conclude the business of the day in the Senate chamber.

The business for which the joint session has been assembled having been transacted, the session is now adjourned.

### THE SPEAKER (H. WILLIAM DeWEESE) PRESIDING

The SPEAKER. The House will be in order.

### MOTION TO PRINT PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT SESSION

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the proceedings of the joint session of the Senate and the House of Representatives held this 5th day of January 1993 be printed in full in today's Legislative Journal.

On the question,  
Will the House agree to the motion?  
Motion was agreed to.

### SENATE MESSAGE

### ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate  
January 5, 1993

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday, January 25, 1993, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week it reconvene on Monday, January 25, 1993, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

Resolution was concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The following announcement has to do with the paychecks, with the paychecks.

This is to remind all of the members that at the conclusion of today's session, they should stop in the Chief Clerk's Office to sign the oath book and to pick up their badges. Their remuneration then will be official.

I would like to make one quick announcement. Joe and Kelly Markosek, Representative Markosek and his wife, Kelly, had a baby boy on Christmas day, Brandon Joseph. Congratulations.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY MINORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Ryan.

Mr. RYAN. Mr. Speaker, I note for the record that you have congratulated someone on their having had a new baby on Christmas Day, and I think that is wonderful. I do not think proper homage has been paid to the great feat that you pulled here in late December, your early Christmas present, your marriage to the beautiful Holly.

The SPEAKER. Thanking my friend, Mr. Ryan, thanking my staff, my very able staff from back home and up here, and wishing you all the very happy New Year, I now adjourn until later in the month, and I hope that our camaraderie and good feeling today is an auspicious commencement for working together during the next 2 years. Thank you very much.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna County, Mr. Belardi.

Mr. BELARDI. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Monday, January 25, 1993, at 1 p.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 2:38 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.