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SENATE

MONDAY, April 29, 2019

The Senate met at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor John K. Fetterman) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. JANET EDWARDS, of Judah Fellowship Church PCUSA, Pittsburgh, offered the following prayer:

First, I think we all need this. Let us all just take a deep breath. I know I do.

I look around at this beautiful space we are in, and I invoke the divine mystery which passes all understanding known by many names. We humbly choose at this moment to remind ourselves You are always present and we turn our attention to You. It is always right to first give thanks, and we do for this day for its beauty, for the work before this body, for Your trusted servant, Pam, for her gifts which she offers here, and for the gifts of all those who serve in this place. We ask that You blend these gifts into a unity of purpose that dwells in You. Inspire in these people honesty, humility, purity of motive, and love so that they may wield their immense power wisely knowing it is always a gift from You. Please, may all of this be so and let Your people, if you choose, say amen. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Edwards, who is the guest today of Senator L. Williams.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those assembled.)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 24, 2019

To the Honorable, the Senate
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until November 16, 2022, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Syed Ali-Zaidi, Shippenville, deceased.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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TOM WOLF
Governor

**APPOINTMENTS OF CHAIRMEN
AND MEMBERS TO STANDING
COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 29, 2019

TO: Megan Martin
Secretary of the Senate

FROM: Senator Joe Scarnati
President Pro Tempore

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, Senator Judy Ward will no longer serve as Chairman of the Committee on Intergovernmental Operations, but will remain a member.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator Kristin Phillips-Hill as Chairman of the Committee on Communications and Technology.

Senator Langerholc will no longer serve as Chair of the Committee on Communications and Technology, but will remain a member.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator Tom Killion as Chairman of the Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator Wayne Langerholc as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Education.

Senator Aument will no longer serve as Chair of the Committee on Education, but will remain a member.

Senator Jake Corman will no longer serve as a member of the Committee on Education.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator Judy Ward as Chairman of the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

Senator Killion will no longer serve as a member of the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following Senate Bills numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

April 25, 2019

Senators HAYWOOD, VOGEL, FONTANA, MUTH, GORDNER, SCHWANK, YUDICHAK, YAW, ARGALL, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, A. WILLIAMS, BLAKE, LEACH, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA, BARTOLOTTA, COSTA, KILLION, J. WARD and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 31**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, in Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Program, further providing for fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, April 25, 2019.

Senators BLAKE, FONTANA, K. WARD, BREWSTER, SANTARSIERO, FARNESE, HUGHES, YAW, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 561**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Veterans' Housing Assistance Program; and making appropriations.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, April 25, 2019.

Senators AUMENT, VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, REGAN, SANTARSIERO, J. WARD, MARTIN, STEFANO, FOLMER, BROOKS, KILLION, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, BAKER and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 583**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law, further providing for definitions and for purchase of agricultural conservation easements.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 25, 2019.

Senators DINNIMAN, LEACH, SCHWANK, MUTH, KILLION and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 584**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in service and facilities, providing for pipeline safety.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 25, 2019.

Senators ARGALL, STREET, MARTIN, COLLETT, BLAKE, FARNESE, FOLMER and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 586**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 3, 1933 (P.L.242, No.86), referred to as the Cosmetology Law, further providing for eligibility requirements for examination, for limited licenses and for requirements of a School of Cosmetology.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 25, 2019.

Senators J. WARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, FOLMER, SCHWANK, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, BAKER and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 587**, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of July 25, 1913 (P.L. 1024, No. 466), referred to as the Female Labor Law.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 25, 2019.

Senators J. WARD, YAW, BROOKS, LANGERHOLC, GORDNER, REGAN, ARGALL, VOGEL, SANTARSIERO, FOLMER, PHILLIPS-HILL, SCHWANK, HUTCHINSON, K. WARD, STEFANO and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 588**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for permit for movement during course of manufacture; and, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for power of Governor during emergency.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 25, 2019.

Senators BOSCOLA, BREWSTER and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 591**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in charter schools, further providing for transportation.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 25, 2019.

April 26, 2019

Senators REGAN, L. WILLIAMS, AUMENT, BAKER, BREWSTER, BROOKS, COLLETT, COSTA, FARNESE, FOLMER, FONTANA, GORDNER, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, MUTH, PHILLIPS-HILL, SANTARSIERO, STEFANO, STREET, TARTAGLIONE, VOGEL, J. WARD, K. WARD, YUDICHAK, MARTIN, KILLION, DINNIMAN, BLAKE and IOVINO presented to the Chair **SB 589**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in military educational programs, further providing for definitions, for eligibility, for grants, for amount of grants, for limitations, for recoupment of grant payments, for regulations, for administration and for Educational Assistance Program Fund and providing for a military family education program; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 26, 2019.

Senators ARGALL, J. WARD, MENSCH, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA, BLAKE and PHILLIPS-HILL presented to the Chair **SB 592**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 16, 1986 (P.L.1646, No.188), known as the Chiropractic Practice Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensure and regulation, further providing for refusal, suspension or revocation of license; and, in supportive personnel, further providing for supportive personnel.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 26, 2019.

Senator LAUGHLIN presented to the Chair **SB 593**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 15986, on that portion of Interstate 79 northbound over West 16th Street in the City of Erie, Erie County, as the Thomas J. Kennedy, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 26, 2019.

April 29, 2019

Senators CORMAN, VOGEL, SCARNATI, LANGERHOLC, J. WARD, AUMENT, GORDNER, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL, FOLMER, MUTH, MARTIN, KILLION, BROOKS, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, K. WARD, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 585**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, establishing the Pennsylvania Dairy Future Commission and providing for its powers and duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 29, 2019.

Senators LANGERHOLC, MENSCH, STEFANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 594**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, in health and safety, further providing for certification of safety committee.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 29, 2019.

Senators HAYWOOD, KILLION, SANTARSIERO, LEACH, FARNESE, HUGHES, SCHWANK, COSTA, COLLETT, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, KEARNEY, BLAKE, MUTH, STREET, A. WILLIAMS, SABATINA, DINNIMAN and IOVINO presented to the Chair **SB 600**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 30, 2004 (P.L.1672, No.213), known as the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, further providing for definitions and for alternative energy portfolio standards, providing for solar photovoltaic technology requirements, for contract requirements for solar photovoltaic energy system sources, for renewable energy storage report, for energy storage deployment targets and for contracts for solar photovoltaic technologies by Commonwealth agencies and further providing for portfolio requirements in other states; and making a related repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 29, 2019.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following Senate Resolutions numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

April 25, 2019

Senators FONTANA, FARNESE, LEACH, BREWSTER, SANTARSIERO, SCHWANK, COSTA, BLAKE, TARTAGLIONE and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SR 84**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Department of Education to contract with an independent third party to determine the economic impact of universal full-day kindergarten.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 25, 2019.

April 29, 2019

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, YAW, GORDNER, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, BAKER, AUMENT, STEFANO, WHITE, BROWNE, HAYWOOD and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SR 47**, entitled:

A Resolution establishing a legislative task force on the delivery of high-speed broadband services and directing the Joint State Government Commission to establish an advisory committee to conduct a study on the delivery of high-speed broadband services in unserved areas and underserved areas of this Commonwealth and to report its findings and recommendations to the Senate.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, April 29, 2019.

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, YAW, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, BAKER, AUMENT, STEFANO, WHITE, BROWNE, HAYWOOD and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SR 48**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct an audit on the compliance of telecommunication carriers with the Public Utility Code and high-speed broadband universal service deployment mandates and to report their findings and recommendations to the Senate.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, April 29, 2019.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the President pro tempore has made the following appointment:

Senator Camera Bartolotta as a member of the Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Board.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the Minority Leader has made the following appointment:

Senator Jay Costa as a member of the Pennsylvania Athletic Oversight Committee.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Killion, and a legislative leave for Senator K. Ward.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brewster and Senator Dinniman, and a legislative leave for Senator A.H. Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Killion, and a legislative leave for Senator K. Ward.

Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brewster and Senator Dinniman, and a legislative leave for Senator A.H. Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

Senator CORMAN offered the following resolution, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, April 29, 2019

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, May, 6, 2019, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, May, 6, 2019, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator CORMAN and were as follows, viz:

YEA-47

Argall	Dinniman	Laughlin	Stefano
Aument	DiSanto	Leach	Street
Baker	Farnese	Martin	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Folmer	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Fontana	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Haywood	Regan	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Hutchinson	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Scarnati	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Schwank	

NAY-0

A majority of the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present the same to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Killion has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

GUESTS OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Jefferson, Senator Scarnati.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, I am very pleased to introduce Special Olympics athletes and their coaches who are seated on the Senate floor today. The mission of Special Olympics PA is to provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendships with their families, other athletes, and the community. Currently, Special Olympics PA trains nearly 20,000 athletes who compete annually in 21 Olympic-type sports at over 300 local, sectional, and State level competitions.

The exceptional young athletes joining us today are from my senatorial district, the 25th Senatorial District, from Clinton County. These talented young men and women spent a week last month at the Special Olympics World Games, where they received gold medals in volleyball. Please welcome Holdan Marr, Christopher Smith, Robert Borner, Jr., Ronald Smith, Conner Borner, Jordan Litz, Kathy Marr, Elainie Litz, and Arthur Powers. Their coaches who are with them today are Charlie Litz, Sarah Fromknecht, and Brad Marr. In addition, two staff members from Special Olympics PA are also joining us today, and they are Gina Reid and Michelle Boone. This is certainly an outstanding achievement, and I am very proud that they are here today to be recognized by the Senate. Please join me in giving them a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Scarnati please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR ELISABETH J. BAKER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Luzerne, Senator Baker.

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, we frequently rise with pride and excitement to acknowledge the efforts of athletes and squads whose ability and teamwork in championships result in those championships. It is even more heartwarming to recognize and commend the athletes who are joining us today. Special Olympians really are double champions. They became champions the moment they first participated in competition, rising above whatever limitations confronted them. To compete in the world games in Abu Dhabi, an experience of a lifetime, and to triumph was exhilarating for them, but most of all, inspiring for all of us. Their winning performance comes from perseverance, from teamwork, from encouragement, from the love of their parents, coaches and sponsors, and most of all, their fellow athletes.

So today I am proud to introduce Aaron Keller, who is the son of Richard and Donna Keller of Wapwallopen, Luzerne County. He is currently a student at Luzerne County Community College. He is a graduate of Crestwood High School, and serves as an assistant coach with the cross country teams working very closely with coach Rob Moulton. Aaron earned a gold medal in the 10,000-meter run, a silver medal in the 1500-meter run, and another silver medal in the 400-meter relay. That is quite an impressive record. Aaron and all of the other participants are special athletes, not by their separateness, but by what they exhibit in sportsmanship, commitment, the thrill of playing, and the victory of being the best.

I am honored to introduce Aaron and welcome him to the Senate of Pennsylvania, and I ask all of my colleagues to extend our usual warm Senate welcome. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Baker, Aaron Keller, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR SCOTT E. HUTCHINSON PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Senator Hutchinson.

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I am pleased to have this opportunity to congratulate my constituent, Valerie Stiffy, who is among the athletes who represented Pennsylvania and the United States at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi. I am excited to announce that Valerie, an exceptional tennis player, brought home two silver medals. Unfortunately, Valerie was unable to make it to Harrisburg today, but I had the chance several weeks ago to meet her at her send-off party back in Butler. Valerie is from Butler and she has participated in Special Olympics for 20 years. In fact, this was the second world games for Valerie. In 2011, she competed in Athens, Greece. In addition to tennis, Valerie competes in basketball, bowling, floor hockey and volleyball. Although she is not here today, I am sending along my personal congratulations to Valerie, along with a citation from the Senate of Pennsylvania, and I thank her for making all of us proud here for her participation and her exceptional abilities shown at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Let us congratulate Valerie.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR WAYNE LANGERHOLC PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria, Senator Langerholc.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, it is my honor to introduce a truly inspiring, world-class athlete from my district seated today on the Senate floor, Brianna Whorl of Ebensburg. I see her smiling over there. Do not be shy. Brianna earned two silver medals in womens' tennis at the Special Olympics World Games recently held in Abu Dhabi. She traveled literally thousands of miles to compete against the best in her division from all over the world, and she did not disappoint.

Remarkably, Mr. President, Brianna has only been playing tennis for about 5 years, and only competitively for 3 years. She likes tennis because she enjoys being active and has been able to make a lot of new friends. Her description of what draws her to the sport is a testament to her sunny demeanor and warm-hearted attitude when you meet her. When asked about her silver medals, she states that she is ready to do it again. Why? Because she wants to win gold. With her personality, work ethic, and demonstration as a fast learner, I have no doubt that we will soon be honoring her as a world champion.

Mr. President, I ask that we extend our warm Senate welcome to two-time world silver medalist, Brianna Whorl.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Langerholc please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria, Senator Langerholc.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, today I have a number of very special guests from my district visiting the Senate. Seated in the gallery are the Saint Francis University College Republicans. In the spring of 2017, two students studying abroad at the Saint Francis campus in Ambialet, France, Bailey Smith and Matthew Nichol, came up with the idea of starting a college Republican club back in Loretto.

As is the case with many college political clubs, the Saint Francis College Republicans spend their time holding events on and off campus such as voter registration drives, documentary watch nights, and formal discussions, as well as promoting elections in the area. Their weekly meetings are a time to discuss current political issues and plan any further events. Seated in the gallery are Spencer McElheny, a sophomore from Cresson, Pennsylvania; Shea Moran, a sophomore from Rumson, New Jersey; Andrew Crusciel, a freshman from Loretto, Pennsylvania; and Matt Nichol, a senior from Pittsburgh, who will be attending Penn State Dickinson Law School in the fall.

Mr. President, I think we can all agree that no matter what the political affiliation, we can all support our young men and women actively participating in government, politics, and elections. I am happy to have them as my guests here today, and I ask for our traditional warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Langerholc please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR RYAN AUMENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Senator Aument.

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce my guest today, Lydia Sigman, a junior at Conestoga Valley High School. Lydia recently had the prestigious opportunity to participate in the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Mentorship Program, where she was encouraged to shadow a professional in a career field that interests her. Since she intends to pursue a career in government after high school, Lydia chose to shadow me and my staff today to learn more about the legislative process and to see what working in the State legislature is all about.

In her free time, Lydia enjoys volunteering through local organizations and clubs such as the Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services and the Fellowship of Christian Students at Conestoga Valley High School. She is also a member of the National Honor Society. Please join me in welcoming Lydia to the Pennsylvania Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Aument please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN P. SABATINA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Sabatina.

Senator SABATINA. Mr. President, I rise to welcome some special guests from my district who are seated in the gallery. These exceptional young athletes and their coaches are the Saint Hubert Catholic High School for Girls varsity and junior varsity cheerleading squads. They are here today, athletes and coaches, because they have achieved great success this season. The varsity team took first place in 2019 PIAA State competition for medium varsity for the second consecutive year, beating 37 other teams. Varsity also placed second at the National High School Cheerleading Championship and won the Philadelphia Catholic League Championship. Not to be outdone, the junior varsity team took first place in the National High School Cheerleading Championship for the second consecutive year, beating 14 other teams.

It takes student athletes who have dedicated the time and energy toward countless hours of practice and repetition, but it also takes great leadership from coaches like Paul Ballentine, Kristen Mahon, Mary Kate McKnight, and Lisa McNesby and junior varsity coaches Caitlyn Insetta, Erin McShea, and Kelly McShea. It has been through the great commitment and excellence of both of these squads that the Saint Hubert Bambies have represented themselves, their school, their communities, and this Commonwealth exceptionally well. So, Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join me in offering a warm Senate welcome to our champions from Saint Hubert.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Sabatina please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR LINDSEY M. WILLIAMS PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator L. Williams.

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I rise to extend thanks to Reverend Janet Edwards for serving as guest Chaplain today and offering the opening prayer for Session. Reverend Janet Edwards is active at the Judah Fellowship Church in Pittsburgh. She was born and raised in Pittsburgh and has taught preaching and worship at the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. She served as pastor at Morningside Presbyterian Church, First United Church of Christ in McKeesport, and Melwood Presbyterian Church. She was active for 27 years at The Community of Reconciliation Church, an intentionally multi-racial congregation. She completed a Ph.D. in spirituality at Duquesne University in 1997. She serves presently on the board of Auburn Theological

Seminary and is active on the Advisory Board of the Center for Loving Kindness and Civic Engagement at the Pittsburgh Jewish Community Center. Please join me in giving her a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Lindsey Williams please stand to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ELDER A. VOGEL PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Beaver, Senator Vogel.

Senator VOGEL. Mr. President, today I wish to welcome the players and coaches of the Lincoln Park boys' basketball team, the 2019 PIAA Class AAA Champions. Mr. President, the Lincoln Park Leopards have worked hard all season and had a championship game to be remembered for the ages. The team posted a regular season record of 27 wins and only 4 losses. The State title game started out well for the Leopards but tightened up toward the final minutes. The game ended up with a final score of 73-72, beating Trinity High School. I welcome today the head coach and school athletic director, Mike Bariski; assistant coaches John Vlastic, Brian Nohe, and Bob Rizzo; and all the outstanding student athletes from the Lincoln Park boys' basketball team. I ask the Senate to give these young men and their coaches our usual warm Senate welcome.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Vogel please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHELE BROOKS PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I am very happy to be joined today by 14 students, 2 teachers, and 5 adults from the Faith Builders School located in Guys Mills in Crawford County. These students just raised their beautiful voices in song in the main Rotunda, and I hope many of you had the opportunity, while walking through the Capitol Rotunda, to hear them. As their voices show, Faith Builders serves the Anabaptist community by teaching children to be humble, joyful, and Christ-centered. These students are faithful church members who learn in a loving environment designed to prepare them for a lifetime of service. Faith Builders makes an intentional effort to know students, respond to their questions and individual needs, and develop their abilities. They are also intentional about getting to know their parents and churches, working to give students the tools they need to be loyal and effective members in their church and in their communities.

Seventh graders joining us today include Travis Hershberger, Christian Kauffman, Alex Miller, Andre Miller, Natalie Miller, Maya Schmucker, Nicholas Stoltzfus, and Shelby Wengerd. Eighth graders are Jessica Byler, Sophia Hostetler, Trennis Lehman, Elijah Miller--and I might add Elijah's mother makes wonderful homemade bread--Jayla Warren, and Kiahna Wengerd. Piper Burdge is their teacher, and Gerald Miller is the school administrator. His wife, Cathy, is accompanying him as

a chaperone, along with parent chaperones Carl and Amy Wengerd. I am so proud to have these educators and students of faith here in the Senate Chamber today as they get a behind-the-scenes look at State government and see how our elected leaders are guiding this great Commonwealth. I also thank them for filling our Capitol with their beautiful voices and giving glory to our Lord and Savior. Their music is truly a beautiful expression of who they are and what they believe, and who they live to serve every day. Please join me in giving this school group a very warm Senate welcome as they tour the Capitol and to go on to build their faith by their actions, their songs, and their service.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Brooks please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I ask that the Senate proceed to receive the returns of election for the special election held in the 37th Senatorial District on the 2nd day of April and that the oath of office be administered to Senator-elect Pam Iovino.

The PRESIDENT. At the request of Senator Corman, and without objection, as a special order of business, the Senate will now proceed to receive the official election returns for the special election held in the 37th Senatorial District, and administer the oath of office to Senator-elect Pam Iovino.

ELECTION RETURNS PRESENTED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The SERGEANT-AT-ARMS. Mr. President, I have the honor to present the Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Ian Harlow.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Ian Harlow.

Deputy Secretary HARLOW. Mr. President, I have the privilege and honor to present the official returns and the certification of campaign expense compliance for the special election held on April 2, 2019, in the 37th Senatorial District.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Deputy Secretary Harlow.

The Chair lays before the Senate the following communications from the Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth, which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the election returns as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the Special Election for Senator in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania held in the Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, as the same has been certified to and filed with my office by the Allegheny and

Washington County Boards of Elections. Pam Iovino, having received the highest number of votes in the Special Election, and having complied with the provisions of Article XVI of the Pennsylvania Election Code pertaining to Primary and Election Expenses, was duly elected a Senator in the General Assembly.

(SEAL)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at the city of Harrisburg, this twenty-ninth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen and of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-third.

KATHY BOOCKVAR
Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth

OFFICIAL RETURNS
SPECIAL ELECTION
SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
37th Senatorial District

April 2, 2019

		<u>VOTES</u>
DEMOCRATIC	- Pam Iovino	33,401
REPUBLICAN	- D. Raja	30,854
WRITE-INS	- Scattered	75

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. For the record, the Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth has also certified that the Senator-elect Iovino has filed the accounts and affidavits as required by the election laws of the Commonwealth.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. Before proceeding to the administration of the oath of office, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa, to introduce some special guests who are with us today.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, we are joined today by the city of Pittsburgh Controller, Michael Lamb. We thank the Controller for joining us here today. Also, I extend a thank you to Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas Judge John Zottola, who is here today providing the swearing-in services to Senator-elect Pam Iovino. I would mention that Judge Zottola and I have been friends for close to 60 years, having gone to fourth grade at Our Lady Help of Christians, so it is a special honor for me to see him here today swearing in Pam.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Applause.)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. The Chair takes this opportunity to announce that permission has been granted for a photographer from Democratic Communications to take photographs on the floor of the Senate during today's swearing-in ceremony. For our guests, however, I politely advise you that taking still pictures or videotaping in the Senate Chamber is not permitted. So I ask that during the administration of the oath of office, no pictures be taken or videos be taped. At the end of today's ceremony, however, the Senate will recess so that you may take photographs.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The PRESIDENT. It is an honor and privilege to have with us today the Honorable John Zottola, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County. Judge Zottola has kindly consented to be with us today to administer the oath of office to Senator-elect Iovino in accordance with Article VI, Section 3, of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

Will the Senator-elect please present herself at the bar of the Senate.

Members and guests will please rise.

Judge Zottola will now administer the oath.

Judge ZOTTOLA. Thank you, Mr. President. It is an honor to administer the oath to Senator-elect Iovino. As some of you may know, I am the supervising judge of Allegheny County's Veterans Court, which has been in existence for approximately 10 years. One of the longest running courts in this Commonwealth. When we first began the court, I received a call by the then-Director of Veterans Affairs for Allegheny County, Senator-elect Iovino, saying how can I help you? How can I help your court serve the veterans so that we can work together to have them regain their lives, consequently their families regain their lives, and society regain productive members? That began a great opportunity and a great friendship and a really, really good thing for our Commonwealth, a really, really good thing for our veterans, which I am sure she will now bring to the rest of the citizens of this Commonwealth.

So, Senator, would you please place your left hand on your Bible and raise your right hand and repeat after me:

I, Pam Iovino, do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Congratulations, Senator.
(Applause.)

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. On behalf of the Senate, the Chair thanks Judge Zottola for presiding at the ceremony and congratulates Senator Iovino.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of the family to take photos with the Senator-elect, then for a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, at the conclusion of photographs and well wishes, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus as well.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of photographs, followed by Republican and Democratic caucuses to be held in their respective caucus rooms, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Senator Elisabeth J. Baker) in the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Dinniman and Senator Kim Ward have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Madam President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Brewster has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Madam President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Hutchinson, and a legislative leave for Senator Martin.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Collett, and a legislative leave for Senator Farnese.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Gordner requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Hutchinson, and a legislative leave for Senator Martin.

Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Collett, and a legislative leave for Senator Farnese.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR****BILL OVER IN ORDER**

SB 109 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 133 (Pr. No. 110) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for Lieutenant Governor.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEA-46

Table with 4 columns of names: Argall, Aument, Baker, Bartolotta, Blake, Boscola, Brewster, Brooks, Browne, Collett, Corman, Costa, Dinniman, DiSanto, Farnese, Folmer, Fontana, Gordner, Haywood, Hutchinson, Iovino, Kearney, Killion, Langerholc, Laughlin, Leach, Martin, Mensch, Phillips-Hill, Regan, Sabatina, Santarsiero, Scarnati, Scavello, Schwank, Stefano, Street, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Vogel, Ward, Judy, Ward, Kim, Williams, Anthony H, Williams, Lindsey, Yaw, Yudichak

NAY-2

Table with 2 columns of names: Hughes, Muth

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 145 and HB 275 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 22, SB 25, SB 123, SB 131, SB 139, SB 149, SB 217, SB 337, HB 384, SB 390, SB 396, SB 397, SB 439 and SB 453 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator BROWNE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bills:

SB 48 (Pr. No. 584) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in conduct of elections, providing for voting systems.

SB 89 (Pr. No. 454) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, replacing references to "vocational-technical" with "career and technical," replacing references to "vocational" with "career and technical" and replacing references to "vocation" with "career and technical"; deleting references to vocational school districts; renaming the State Board for Vocational Education as the State Board of Career and Technical Education; and making editorial changes.

SB 110 (Pr. No. 82) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in home rule and optional plan government, further providing for submission of question for election of government study commission and for limitation on enactment of ordinance or filing of petition.

SB 146 (Pr. No. 426) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, providing for online training for firefighters.

SB 178 (Pr. No. 658) (Rereported) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in primary and election expenses, further providing for reporting by candidate and political committees and other persons, for late contributions and independent expenditures, for oath of compliance, perjury, disqualification from office and commercial use and for place of filing, providing for manner of filing and for inability to file reports or statements electronically by deadline and further providing for late filing fee and certificate of filing, for additional powers and duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and for reports by business entities and publication by Secretary of the Commonwealth.

SB 316 (Pr. No. 295) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, in township supervisors, further providing for duties of supervisors.

SB 317 (Pr. No. 296) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, in taxation and finance, further providing for annual budget.

SB 440 (Pr. No. 418) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for flexible instructional days.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 110 (Pr. No. 82) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in home rule and optional plan government, further providing for submission of question for election of government study commission and for limitation on enactment of ordinance or filing of petition.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEA-48

Argall	Dinniman	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Farnese	Leach	Street
Bartolotta	Folmer	Martin	Tartaglione
Blake	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Boscola	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Brewster	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brooks	Hughes	Regan	Ward, Kim
Browne	Hutchinson	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Collett	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Corman	Kearney	Scarnati	Yaw
Costa	Killion	Scavello	Yudichak

NAY-0

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

Senators AUMENT, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, BARTOLOTTA, BROWNE, FONTANA, LANGERHOLC, PHILLIPS-HILL, BREWSTER, MARTIN, FARNESE, ARGALL, KILLION, SCHWANK, HUGHES, BAKER, COSTA, MENSCH and FOLMER, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 85**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2019 as "School Library Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Senator Aument.

Senator AUMENT. Madam President, I am pleased to offer the following resolution, which designates the month of April 2019 as "School Library Month" in Pennsylvania. School libraries are an important asset to our youth as they prepare for their future and learn to become productive members of society. School library programs promote literacy and the enjoyment of reading and also provide Pennsylvania's children with access to information and technology. Further, librarians play a vital role in teaching students to become effective users of information and ideas. As such, please join me in supporting this resolution to

express appreciation to library employees and to encourage all students to explore and take advantage of the services offered at their school libraries. Thank you.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators SANTARSIERO, DINNIMAN, FARNESE, FONTANA, SCAVELLO, BREWSTER, AUMENT, SCHWANK, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, KILLION, FOLMER, BLAKE, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, STREET, HUGHES and HAYWOOD, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 86**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2019 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Santarsiero.

Senator SANTARSIERO. Madam President, I rise to ask for unanimous support in recognizing the month of April 2019 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. Each day more than 500 Americans, men and women of all ages and races, lose a limb. It is a lifelong condition largely misunderstood by the general public. Amputees face emotional, financial, and physical challenges unique to their condition. Limb loss can arise from several factors, including medical conditions, congenital defects, accidents, and those made in sacrifice in the line of duty. Regardless of the origin, individuals afflicted with limb loss face the hurdles of physical accessibility, prosthetic costs, and the emotional difficulties that go largely unseen. I stand here in support of this resolution to acknowledge and to draw attention to those who have lost limbs and the silent strength they exhibit day in and day out. Their fortitude and perseverance is nothing short of admirable and deserving of our recognition.

Madam President, I ask for unanimous support of this resolution.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Hutchinson has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators SANTARSIERO, SCHWANK, DINNIMAN, LEACH, COSTA, MUTH, BROWNE, FONTANA, AUMENT, J. WARD, VOGEL, PHILLIPS-HILL, BROOKS, MARTIN, K. WARD, FARNESE, ARGALL, KILLION, HUGHES, MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA and FOLMER, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 87**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of April 28 through May 5, 2019, as "Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Santarsiero.

Senator SANTARSIERO. Madam President, I rise to offer this resolution designating the week of April 28 through May 5 as "Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust" here in Pennsylvania. In Judaism there exists a phrase central to understanding our heritage. It is sung on every Shabbat and lives in every action. It is emblazoned in our hearts, *l'dor v'dor*, it means from generation to generation. It is recognition that at its heart, Judaism is not confined by the laws of the synagogue or in the pages of Scripture. It is a spark that dwells in each of us that we must pass along to our children, and, in so doing, from generation to generation long after we have passed from this life.

During the Second World War, an evil borne, as evil so often is, of ignorance and fear and driven by a tyrannical madness sought to sever that chain through a calculated plan executed with terrifying precision. The Nazi Holocaust introduced the world to horrors magnified by what Winston Churchill called the lights of perverted science. Millions of men, women, and children perished. But the Jewish people survived. Now, with every passing year, we must resolve anew that we will not forget, lest this dark period in human history ever be repeated. As those entrusted with the responsibility of government and the duty thereby to safeguard our State and Federal Constitutions and the rights given to all citizens under them, we must commit ourselves to the work of overcoming prejudice and hatred in every form. For, in addition to *l'dor v'dor*, there is another concept that is central to Judaism, known in the Hebrew as the *tikkun olam*. It is the duty incumbent upon each of us to help heal this world. By remembering the horrors of the Holocaust, we bear witness so that future generations might guard against prejudice, intolerance, and the ignorance that spawns them so that one day, not long from now, we will live in a just world where the blessings of freedom and liberty are enjoyed by all people.

Madam President, I ask for unanimous support for this resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Berks, Senator Schwank.

Senator SCHWANK. Madam President, as a member of the generation immediately after following the Holocaust, I learned at the knee of my mother, of my father, of my grandparents, friends, and neighbors of our family about the horrors of the Holocaust and, of course, it is always in my mind as it is in many members of the American Jewish community. It is with special horror now as I recall the synagogue massacre at Tree of Life, a synagogue in my home community of Pittsburgh, and now, this weekend, another murder at a synagogue of an individual who was simply worshipping there. It is hard to fathom that being raised to understand, never forget, we cannot let these horrors continue, yet, virulent anti-Semitism still exists in this country, and it is something that we cannot just use mere words, we have to use deeds to insure that "never again" truly does have meaning.

I look upon these events and I wonder if we have not really followed through as much as we need to. There are a number of initiatives that we are looking at here in the Commonwealth that will help not only synagogues but other houses of worship to protect themselves against this type of violence. But in particular today and this week, as we continue to commemorate the Days of Remembrance, I ask everyone to think about events that have occurred just in our recent past and ask themselves if "never again" truly does have meaning, what action do we have to take as individuals and as a government to insure, yes, never again, it will not happen again, not in my generation or in the following generations as well.

Thank you, Madam President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Dinniman.

Senator DINNIMAN. Madam President, as an American Jew, I stand here, of course, to express horror at the Holocaust and these recent shootings, but I also stand here to say that there have been too many holocausts in human history and we need to try to understand the basis of what occurs. You see, when a society does not deal with prejudice, that thought pattern that is negative towards another group, that prejudice will develop into discrimination, which is an actual act against members of that group, and when a society does not deal with the discrimination which is based on the prejudice, very soon violence will occur, and often that violence becomes institutionalized. We saw that in terms of segregation in the south which was an institution. We saw that in the lynchings of so many black people, and also the lynchings of Jews, Italians, and others in our nation's history.

What we need to do is start in the beginning, catch it, catch that prejudice, challenge our students, challenge ourselves to raise the question. Check those stereotypes which every society has, because we still have a chance to deal with this when we are dealing with the thought. When the action starts, we can pass laws against that action, but those laws become less meaningful if the prejudice is still there in the first place. By the way, everything that the Germans and Hitler did during the Holocaust was legal based on German law. Everything that was done in segregation was legal and apartheid was legal based on the system that existed. So what we really have to do is deal with the prejudice in the first place. It is not surprising that once you allow the discrimination and institutionalize it in any form, that violence and holocausts will then continue.

So, what we are rising here, what I am rising as a member of the American Jewish community, is to certainly echo what my colleagues have said, never again, but "never again" is not just in the Jewish community, never again to any community, any religious community, should they be subjected to the killings and the massive death that came with the Holocaust. Remember, in addition to 6 million Jews, people who were gypsies, who were leftist sympathizers, who were against Hitler, and the gays and lesbians were also murdered in vast numbers during the Holocaust. We have to stand up. We stand up because it is the basis of who we are as Pennsylvanians.

Let me put this in one final thought for you. It was in 1682, in the great law of 1682, that we were the first place in the world to have as part of our philosophy religious tolerance, and it was put into law. Remember the Quakers themselves came here as immigrants from Holland and England, they came here for religious freedom. If any State needs to affirm religious tolerance, and

needs to affirm the end of racism, and the end of violence, it is those of us in Pennsylvania, because it is our heritage. It was the basis of our foundation in terms of being the first in the world to declare religious tolerance, acceptance, and respect of all faith traditions.

In that sense, I hope that every Member of the Senate will sign onto the bill that has been put in by Senator Costa, myself, and Senator Schwank. It takes the idea that we did in the school safety bill and puts it into effect in terms of religious tolerance. Now, you know we cannot use religion so we use the term nonprofits, but it reflects the Federal anti-hate legislation in terms of being constitutional. The bill simply says let us start with \$10 million. Let us do what we did with school violence. Let us provide the safety equipment where it is needed so people could pray in peace, but also let us have programs just as we do with school violence that brings people together, that gets at that prejudice, that gets at the root that eventually can lead to a holocaust. So never again, we need to say that again and again in Pennsylvania for all people, for all faiths, because this is where religious tolerance was proclaimed to the world, and this bill does that, and I hope that every single Member of the Senate will sign onto it. I am making an effort to make sure that every Member of my own Caucus signs on, and I know many of my Republican colleagues and friends feel exactly the same as I do and I know that they will sign on and then we can say, as we send it over to the House, we have made a statement for religious tolerance. We have shown and we have made a statement against that kind of violence which has occurred in religious houses of worship throughout this nation.

Thank you, Madam President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Leach.

Senator LEACH. Madam President, I rise to echo the comments of my colleagues. Several of them alluded to the sort of archetypical statement about the Holocaust that we always say, which is never again, but "never again" cannot just be a phrase, "never again" has to have meaning. We are living through a time when we see hate crimes skyrocketing, we see threats skyrocketing, and we see hate groups skyrocketing, and a lot of that is anti-Semitism. We have seen that in Pittsburgh, we saw that this weekend at my children's school where there were swastikas painted around the school, and in many other places. But it is not just anti-Semitism, it is hate involving the dehumanization of whole groups of people. If we ever have another Holocaust-type of catastrophe, it is not necessarily going to be starting with Jews or any other particular group, we do not know what it is going to look like. Clearly, dehumanizing groups, whether they be immigrants or Muslims or sexual minorities, is a very dangerous road to walk down. We have to band together in a nonpartisan way, this is not a partisan issue. We have to call out this dehumanization as it occurs throughout our political system and throughout society everywhere we can. If we say never again but we allow that to become normalized, to become normal again, well, then "never again" becomes an empty slogan in the face of a trajectory which is not healthy in terms of the safety and security of the people in our community and society.

So, I guess what I am trying to say is that as we look around every day, every week--just this weekend there was a group of people who busted into a reading of a book at a book store, a

group of white nationals and disrupted the events there--every day, almost, in the news we see these sorts of things. We cannot allow them to become normal, and we cannot allow them to become accepted. Never again does not mean just for Jews, it means for Muslims, for gay people, for women, and every possible group. Once you dehumanize people, it is easy to do things to them that are unpleasant, and once you dehumanize one group, it is very easy to dehumanize another. It is troubling to see how this is all manifesting itself around the country these days.

I hope we will all be very vigilant. It is not only a legislative matter, it is a rhetorical matter, it is the way we conduct ourselves, and it is the way we talk about political issues in general. I am grateful for the opportunity to speak on this, and I am grateful to my colleagues for introducing this resolution. I hope it makes us more mindful every day of how we have to protect not only our own group but each other to prevent something like the Holocaust from ever happening again and to make "never again" truly a meaningful slogan.

Thank you, Madam President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Street.

Senator STREET. Madam President, I rise to join my colleagues in supporting the Holocaust resolution. The tragedies that occurred in the Holocaust are something we should never forget. It was a tragedy that will echo throughout the annals of humanity. But the events recently make it that much more relevant. The shooting at Tree of Life right here in Pennsylvania and the shooting that just occurred this weekend let us know that these are issues that are not settled and historical but are issues that are ever present. We must all rise against the tide of bigotries, xenophobia, anti-Semitism, and Islamophobia that have occurred. We had shootings at a church, an African American church in the south, not so long ago. The reality is that our society must not blindly allow this kind of activity to go forward without rebuke.

I support the Dinniman-Schwank legislation to address the protection of our sacred spaces and to further our conversation to make sure there are resources around the protection of those spaces. Moreover, I have also offered legislation to protect our sacred spaces against their desecration. Before we had a shooting, we had a desecration of a cemetery in the Philadelphia area and the desecration of a mosque. Unfortunately, while many spoke out, we did not take strong enough action. What we will find is that these kinds of incidents escalate and we must have a united, bipartisan, resounding response that is unequivocal that this kind of hatred is not acceptable and there is no place for it in American society. So I call upon all Members of the Senate and all Members of the General Assembly and, indeed, all citizens of the Commonwealth to speak out against this form of hatred, work with local synagogues, churches, mosques, and other faith-based institutions toward a more collaborative discussion and always remember our history, for those who forget history are destined to repeat it.

Madam President, I thank you for this time.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators MENSCH, BROWNE, MARTIN, KILLION, J. WARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, COSTA and TARTAGLIONE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 88**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing and honoring the 25th anniversary of the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Mensch.

Senator MENSCH. Madam President, I rise today to offer this resolution recognizing and honoring the 25th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Automobile Theft Prevention Authority. Madam President, in 1992, Pennsylvania ranked second in the nation among States in the cost of auto theft and insurance fraud. In response, insurers assumed the task of devising a program whereby the efforts to combat auto theft were coordinated with those to combat insurance fraud in a comprehensive manner. The result was legislation to create an independent entity capable of funding and directing an effort to combat and prevent automobile theft in the Commonwealth. This was the creation of the Pennsylvania ATPA, also known as the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority. Since its inception in 1994, the authority has contributed to a 77-percent decrease in the rate of motor vehicle thefts in Pennsylvania compared to a national decrease of 50 percent. Though other States have their own versions of ATPA, Pennsylvania implemented a unique funding measure that addresses premiums rather than charge policyholders or add a fee to the driver's registration fee. The success of Pennsylvania's ATPA has made it a model for the rest of the nation. Its independence, private funding, and cooperation between insurers and law enforcement have been the key to its success. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and congratulating the Pennsylvania Automobile Theft Prevention Authority on its 25th anniversary and its contribution to the Commonwealth.

Thank you, Madam President.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators MENSCH, DINNIMAN, BROWNE, AUMENT, VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, J. WARD, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, SCHWANK, HUGHES, FARNESE and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 89**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 30, 2019, as "Life Sciences Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Mensch.

Senator MENSCH. Madam President, as co-chair of the life sciences and biotechnology caucus, today I rise, along with Sen-

ator Dinniman, to introduce this resolution designating April 30, 2019, as "Life Sciences Day" in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania is a national leader in the life sciences industry and is home to a cohesive community that unites biotechnology, medical device and diagnostics, pharmaceuticals, and research institutions. The life science industry links scientists, entrepreneurs, funding, programs, and policymakers in creating solutions in policies that will grow and sustain the innovation infrastructure, launching new companies and creating jobs that have significant impacts to human health globally. In Pennsylvania, this industry directly employs 112,000 workers with an economic impact from wages alone totaling \$11 billion and a total industry annual impact of \$88 billion. To recognize the importance of life sciences in Pennsylvania, we ask that you all please join us in designating April 30, 2019, as Life Sciences Day in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Madam President.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcements were read by the Secretary of the Senate:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019

9:30 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider the nomination of Ms. Cindy Adams Dunn to be Secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR))	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (public hearing to consider the re-confirmations of Jennifer Smith as Secretary of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, and Rachel Levine as Secretary of the Department of Health)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.
10:00 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider Senate Bill No. 531; and House Bills No. 510, 511, 512, 547 and 548)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:00 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (public hearing to discuss election law legislation, including Senate Bills No. 300, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421 and 422)	Room 8E-B East Wing
10:30 A.M.	LABOR AND INDUSTRY (public hearing on the nomination of W. Gerard Oleksiak to be Secretary of the Department of Labor and Industry)	Room 461 Main Capitol
11:00 A.M.	GAME AND FISHERIES (to consider Senate Bill No. 485; and House Bill No. 808)	Room 461 Main Capitol
11:30 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bill No. 589)	Room 8E-A East Wing

12:00 P.M.	TRANSPORTATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 45, 588 and 593)	Room 461 Main Capitol
12:30 P.M.	AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS (to consider Senate Bills No. 583 (provides uniformity and protection for agritourism activities in Pennsylvania) and Senate Bill No. 585 (establishes the Pennsylvania Dairy Future Commission))	Room 461 Main Capitol
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Resolution No. 31; and certain Executive Nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
<u>WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019</u>		
9:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Bills No. 275, 500, 501 and 502; and House Bill No. 279)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bills No. 478 and 568)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:30 A.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (to consider Senate Bills No. 340, 341, 491, 492 and 543; and House Bill No. 318)	Room 461 Main Capitol

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Lindsey Williams.

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Madam President, Workers Memorial Day takes place annually on April 28 as an international day of remembrance and action for workers killed, disabled, injured, or made unwell by their work. On April 28, 1971, Congress passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act, promising every worker the right to a safe workplace. OSHA has prevented millions of workplace injuries and illnesses, but we still have a lot of work to do to insure a safe workplace. This year in Allegheny County, at least seven workers lost their lives: Kimberly Dollard; James M. Emswiler, member of IATSE; Abdual Ghaniyu Sanusi; Oscar Trujillo; Jonathan K. Tyler, a member of PFT 400; Jeffery Fisher; and Adam Hursen. We have to do more to protect workers like these across the Commonwealth. We need stronger whistleblower protections so that workers are not only protected, but encouraged to raise health and safety issues. We must also extend OSHA protections to State and local government employees. It should not matter who signs your paycheck; every worker should be entitled to the safest workplace possible. In 2017, there were 172 fatal work injuries in the Commonwealth. We owe it to each and every one of these workers and their families to continue to improve our safety laws. Thank you.

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The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Mensch.

Senator MENSCH. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 5:02 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.