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**SENATE**

MONDAY, October 21, 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, Mr. DIPESH PANDYA, of BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Warrington, offered the following prayer:

I will be saying the prayers in Sanskrit, followed by them in English.

*(Translated from Sanskrit:)*

O Lord, lead me from illusion to the truth. Lead me from darkness to light. Lead me from death to eternal life.

The second prayer is for universal well-being.

*(Translated from Sanskrit:)*

May everyone be happy. May everyone be healthy. May all experience what is good. May there be no suffering.

The third prayer is a Hindu prayer for peace.

*(Translated from Sanskrit:)*

O Lord, may the skies give us peace. May space bring peace. May Earth give us peace. May the waters give peace. May herbs and plants give us peace. May all of the beings of the Earth bring us peace. May the deities bestow peace. May all of Creation bring us peace. May peace prevail throughout the universe.

At this time, I would like to invoke the credo of my spiritual leader, his holiness, Pramukh Swami Maharaj. In the joy of others, lies our Lord. In the progress of others, rest our Lord. In the good of others, abide our Lord. May all the Members of the Senate, the House, and staff receive Your guidance, O Lord, in their thoughts and actions. May our Armed Forces stay protected and may they be victorious, and may God bless the United States of America.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Mr. Pandya, who is the guest today of Senator Collett.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS  
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 BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF EBENSBURG CENTER**

October 4, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated September 18, 2019, of Charles Moyer, 301 North Beech Street, Ebensburg 15931, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF MASSAGE THERAPY**

October 10, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 N. 6th Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2019, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Mary Meyers, Reading, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE CORONERS' EDUCATION BOARD

October 15, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated August 22, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Coroners' Education Board, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Saralee Funke, Allentown, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
GAME COMMISSION

October 15, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 12, 2019, of Nathanael R. Brague (District 1), 1465 Hillcrest Court, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice James Daley, Cranberry Township, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

TOM WOLF  
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:

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

September 27, 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, Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Amanda Cooperman, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

September 27, 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, Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Rosalyn K. Robinson, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS

October 3, 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, Ronald Gray, 420 South York Road, Hatboro 19040, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

October 3, 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, Sandra Campbell, 201 Northbrook Drive, Media 19063, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES'  
RETIREMENT BOARD

October 3, 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, Greg Jordan, 1423 Inverness Drive, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Employees' Retire-

ment Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice T. Terrance Reese, Greensburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS

October 4, 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, Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve until January 22, 2021, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joseph Ferruzza, Pittsburgh, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

October 4, 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 State Transportation Commission, to serve until June 18, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice John Mast, Telford, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF MASSAGE THERAPY

October 10, 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, Vickiann Hicks, 1510 Farm View Drive, Stroudsburg 18360, Monroe County, Fortieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, *[data missing]* Mary Meyers, Reading, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

October 15, 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, Richard Steigerwald, 628 Quincy Lane, Wexford 15090, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Athletic Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE CORONERS' EDUCATION BOARD

October 15, 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, Cyril Wecht, 5420 Darlington Road, Pittsburgh 15217, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Coroners' Education Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Saralee Funke, Allentown, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
GAME COMMISSION

October 15, 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, Kristen Schnepf-Giger (District 1), 35 Arlington Drive, Warren 16365, Warren County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice James Daley, Cranberry Township, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRIAL BOARD

October 15, 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, James Holzman, 2925 Birch Street, Harrisburg 17109, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Industrial Board, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Michael Baker, Worthington, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE MILK MARKETING BOARD

October 15, 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, James Van Blarcom, 934 Besley Road, Columbia Cross Roads 16914, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Milk Marketing Board, to serve until May 1, 2025, and [data missing] the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF PARDONS

October 15, 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, John P. Williams, 901 Glenbrook Avenue, Bryn Mawr 19010, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Pardons, to serve until November 30, 2025.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
TURNPIKE COMMISSION

October 15, 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, William Lieberman, 5000 Fifth Avenue, #104, Pittsburgh 15232, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**CORRECTION TO NOMINATION  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

October 18, 2019

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

Please note that the letter dated September 18, 2019, for the nomination of Mark Smeltzer, 4603 Northridge Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Smith, Erie, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

Mark Smeltzer, 4603 Northridge Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Smith, Erie, whose term expired.

**CORRECTION TO CORRECTION TO  
NOMINATION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

October 21, 2019

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

Please note that the letter dated October 18, 2019, for the correction of the letter dated September 20, 2019, for the correction of the letter dated September 18, 2019, for the nomination of Mark Smeltzer, 4603 Northridge Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Smith, Erie, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

Mark Smeltzer, 4603 Northridge Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice D. Thomas Smith, Erie, whose term expired.

**HOUSE MESSAGES**

**HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS  
TO HOUSE BILL**

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to **HB 265**.

**HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE**

The Clerk of the House of Representatives presented to the Senate the following bills for concurrence, which were referred to the committees indicated:

October 8, 2019

- HB 1055** -- Committee on Intergovernmental Operations.
- HB 1104, 1243 and 1246** -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.
- HB 1662** -- Committee on Health and Human Services.

**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:

September 27, 2019

Senators KILLION, BAKER, REGAN, COLLETT, FARNESE, YUDICHAK, PITTMAN, YAW, BOSCOLA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 870**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, further providing for State Board of Medicine and for physician assistants.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, September 27, 2019.

Senators KILLION, BAKER, REGAN, COLLETT, FARNESE, YUDICHAK, PITTMAN, YAW and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 871**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic Medical Practice Act, further providing for definitions, for State Board of Osteopathic Medicine and for licenses, exemptions, nonresident practitioners, graduate students, biennial registration and continuing medical education.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, September 27, 2019.

September 30, 2019

Senators BLAKE, FONTANA, K. WARD, BREWSTER, COSTA, VOGEL, HAYWOOD, BOSCOLA, AUMENT, BROWNE and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 861**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Career Readiness Council; and providing for its powers and duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, September 30, 2019.

Senators SCAVELLO, STEFANO, LAUGHLIN, SCHWANK, COSTA, BLAKE and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 863**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 48 (Lodging and Housing) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hotels, further providing for definitions, for hotelkeepers, for notice to boarders to lock rooms, for lien, warrant, sale and right of redemption, for liability for property loss or damage, for special arrangements for safe deposit of valuables, for duty of guest, for other liability, for exemption from levy or sale, for baggage, for baggage sale requirements, for sale proceeds, providing for abandoned property and further providing for tourist camp heater safety.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, September 30, 2019.

Senator HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 864**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for when prosecution barred by former prosecution for different offense.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, September 30, 2019.

Senators MENSCH and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 865**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, September 30, 2019.

Senators YUDICHAK, BLAKE, BAKER and BREWSTER presented to the Chair **SB 866**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for energy and fertilizer manufacturing tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, September 30, 2019.

Senators HUGHES, FARNESE, HAYWOOD, FONTANA, STREET, LEACH, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, KEARNEY, MUTH and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 867**, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment and funding of a center to conduct research on gun violence in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 30, 2019.

Senators SANTARSIERO, FONTANA, MUTH, HUGHES, COLLETT, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, COSTA, BLAKE, MENSCH, KEARNEY, LEACH, YUDICHAK, STREET, SABATINA, BROWNE and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SB 868**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 23 (Domestic Relations) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child custody, further providing for definitions, for award of custody, for factors to consider when awarding custody, for consideration of criminal conviction, for guardian ad litem for child, for counsel for child and for award of counsel fees, costs and expenses; in Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, providing for child abuse and domestic violence education and training program for judges and court personnel; and, in depositions and witnesses, further providing for rights and services.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, September 30, 2019.

October 1, 2019

Senators MASTRIANO, STEFANO, REGAN, ARGALL, BARTOLOTTA, LANGERHOLC, MARTIN, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL, VOGEL, J. WARD, K. WARD, BAKER, YUDICHAK, DINNIMAN and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 869**, entitled:

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, further providing for moment of silence on September 11 anniversary.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, October 1, 2019.

October 7, 2019

Senators HUGHES, FARNESE, STREET, COSTA, MUTH, L. WILLIAMS, TARTAGLIONE and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 800**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 7 (Banks and Banking) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for community reinvestment, for community reinvestment by banks and for community reinvestment by nonbank entities.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, October 7, 2019.

Senators STEFANO, GORDNER, AUMENT, K. WARD, BROOKS, VOGEL, ARGALL, MARTIN, SCHWANK, BOSCOLA, MASTRIANO, YAW, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, J. WARD, BREWSTER, BAKER, KEARNEY, KILLION, COSTA, REGAN and IOVINO presented to the Chair **SB 875**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in sales and use tax, further providing for exclusions from tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, October 7, 2019.

Senators YAW, BROOKS, LANGERHOLC, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, SCAVELLO, KILLION, COSTA, REGAN, STEFANO, DINNIMAN and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 876**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, further providing for drug overdose response immunity.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, KEARNEY, SCHWANK and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 877**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in depositions and witnesses, providing for material witness warrants and exceptions.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators MASTRIANO, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, J. WARD, K. WARD and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 879**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1200, No.202), known as the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, further providing for definitions, for registration of charitable organizations, financial reports, fees and failure to file, for registration of professional solicitors, contract and disclosure requirements, bonds, records and books and for administrative enforcement and penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, October 7, 2019.

Senators STEFANO, YAW, MARTIN, DiSANTO, PHILLIPS-HILL, J. WARD and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 880**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, providing for spirit expanded permits.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, October 7, 2019.

Senators MARTIN, AUMENT, VOGEL, PHILLIPS-HILL, J. WARD, MASTRIANO and YAW presented to the Chair **SB 881**, 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 purchase of agricultural conservation easements, for Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Fund and for Land Trust Reimbursement Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, October 7, 2019.

Senators BARTOLOTTA, STREET, FARNESE, FONTANA, COLLETT, MARTIN, HUGHES, BREWSTER, J. WARD, COSTA, KILLION, STEFANO, BROWNE and K. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 883**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal history record information, further providing for expungement.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators BARTOLOTTA, FARNESE, COLLETT, HAYWOOD, LEACH, KEARNEY, MUTH, BREWSTER, COSTA and STREET presented to the Chair **SB 884**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the executive, further providing for pardoning power and Board of Pardons.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators LEACH, STREET and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 886**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators REGAN, SCARNATI, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN, STEFANO, YUDICHAK, YAW, J. WARD, MENSCH and VOGEL presented to the Chair **SB 887**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusion, further providing for the offense of criminal trespass.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 7, 2019.

Senators STEFANO, MENSCH, K. WARD, MASTRIANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, SCHWANK, FONTANA, J. WARD, BREWSTER, BARTOLOTTA, YUDICHAK, MUTH, KILLION, COSTA and IOVINO presented to the Chair **SB 889**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for issuance and content of driver's license.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, October 7, 2019.

October 8, 2019

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 874**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 37 (Historical and Museums) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for donated or abandoned cultural property.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, October 8, 2019.

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL, GORDNER, J. WARD, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN, STEFANO and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair **SB 885**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in legislation, further providing for appropriation bills.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, October 8, 2019.

Senators MENSCH, SCARNATI, J. WARD, ARGALL, PITTMAN, MASTRIANO, STEFANO, COSTA, BOSCOLA, COLLETT, BLAKE, KEARNEY, LEACH, BREWSTER, YUDICHAK, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, BAKER, K. WARD, YAW and IOVINO presented to the Chair **SB 890**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 26, 2001 (P.L.755, No.77), known as the Tobacco Settlement Act, in medical assistance for workers with disabilities, further providing for definitions and for medical assistance benefits for workers with disabilities and workers with medically improved disabilities.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, October 8, 2019.

October 15, 2019

Senators HUGHES, FARNESE, COSTA, LEACH, KEARNEY and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 872**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for investigations.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 15, 2019.

Senators HUGHES, FARNESE, COSTA, LEACH, KEARNEY and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 873**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in depositions and witnesses, providing for informant testimony.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 15, 2019.

Senators YAW, SCARNATI, BARTOLOTTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, J. WARD, STEFANO and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 891**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in administrative provisions, establishing the Advanced Permit Review Program and the Advanced Permit Review Program Fund; and making an editorial change.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, October 15, 2019.

Senators STEFANO, BROWNE, MARTIN, FONTANA, MASTRIANO, YUDICHAK, BAKER, YAW and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 892**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for lead exposure and poisoning.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, October 15, 2019.

Senator CORMAN presented to the Chair **SB 895**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Centre County Industrial Development Corporation, certain lands situate in Benner Township, Centre County.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, October 15, 2019.

Senators REGAN, MARTIN, YAW, MENSCH, BREWSTER, J. WARD, SCARNATI, KEARNEY, BROWNE and KILLION presented to the Chair **SB 896**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations for liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for license auction.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, October 15, 2019.

Senators REGAN, MASTRIANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, LANGERHOLC, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH and BREWSTER presented to the Chair **SB 897**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further providing for sentences for certain drug offenses committed with firearms.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, October 15, 2019.

Senators SCHWANK, YAW, BLAKE and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 898**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, further providing for department powers and duties and establishing the Drug and Alcohol Facility License Account; and making inconsistent repeals of certain provisions of the Human Services Code.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, October 15, 2019.

October 17, 2019

Senator BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 905**, entitled:

An Act providing for the capital budget for fiscal year 2019-2020; itemizing public improvement projects, furniture and equipment projects, transportation assistance, redevelopment assistance projects, flood control projects, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission projects and Manufacturing Fund projects leased or assisted by the Department of General Services and other State agencies, together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed, acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services and other State agencies; authorizing the use of current revenue for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed, acquired or assisted of by the Department of General Services and other State agencies stating the estimated useful life of the projects; and making appropriations.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, October 17, 2019.

October 18, 2019

Senators ARGALL, MASTRIANO, MENSCH, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, YUDICHAK, AUMENT and LAUGHLIN presented to the Chair **SB 901**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in organization, further providing for deputy secretaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, October 18, 2019.

Senators MENSCH, YAW, KILLION, VOGEL, PITTMAN, BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN and MASTRIANO presented to the Chair **SB 903**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 16, 1996 (P.L.712, No.127), known as the Charitable Gift Annuity Exemption Act, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, October 18, 2019.

Senators YUDICHAK, BAKER, BROOKS, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN, GORDNER, J. WARD, TARTAGLIONE, BLAKE and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 906**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 20, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.96, No.6), known as the Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in responsibilities of the State, providing for State facility closure moratorium.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, October 18, 2019.

Senators LEACH and STREET presented to the Chair **SB 907**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, October 18, 2019.

Senators REGAN, ARGALL, BLAKE, GORDNER, MARTIN, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL, STEFANO, MASTRIANO, J. WARD, SCHWANK, PITTMAN, KILLION, BROWNE, BARTOLOTTA and K. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 908**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in volunteer firefighters, further providing for definitions, for statement of purpose, for funds and for audits and providing for fire relief formula study.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, October 18, 2019.

Senators MASTRIANO, ARGALL, AUMENT, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, COLLETT, GORDNER, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, MENSCH, STEFANO, J. WARD, REGAN, SCHWANK, PITTMAN, BROWNE and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 910**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for definitions, for establishment, for publication and notice, for award of grants, for consolidation incentive, for establishment, for publication and notice, for award of grants, for Fire Company Grant Program, for Emergency Medical Services Company Grant Program, for additional funding, for allocation of appropriated funds and for expiration of authority and providing for annual reports.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, October 18, 2019.

October 21, 2019

Senators BROWNE, LAUGHLIN, KILLION, HUGHES, COSTA, BREWSTER, SCHWANK and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 909**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 6, 2014 (P.L.635, No.41), known as the Indoor Tanning Regulation Act, further providing for limitations and for sanctions.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, October 21, 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:

September 30, 2019

Senators HUGHES, HAYWOOD, LEACH, SANTARSIERO, BLAKE, SCHWANK, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, MUTH and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 233**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to take measures to protect the security of the nation's election system.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 30, 2019.

October 15, 2019

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO, MARTIN, DINNIMAN, DiSANTO, PITTMAN and ARGALL presented to the Chair **SR 234**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to call a Convention for proposing amendments pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States limited to proposing amendments that impose fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, October 15, 2019.

## GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

### A STUDY OF PENNSYLVANIA'S DAIRY INDUSTRY

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



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Legislative Budget and Finance Committee  
Room 400, Finance Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-8737

September 25, 2019

To the General Assembly  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**RE: A STUDY OF PENNSYLVANIA'S DAIRY INDUSTRY**

Enclosed herewith is the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee Report: A Study of Pennsylvania's Dairy Industry.

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO ACT 36  
OF 2018 EMPLOYMENT FIRST ACT**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Office of the Governor  
Harrisburg, PA

As required by Act 36 of 2018, enclosed is the Commonwealth Employment First Oversight Commission report.

EMPLOYMENT FIRST  
OVERSIGHT COMMISSION  
446 Bridges  
181 44th St.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15201

October 1, 2019

Ms. Megan Martin, Secretary  
Senate of Pennsylvania  
462 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Annual Report for the Employment First Act**

Act 36 of 2018, the Employment First Act, formed the creation of the Pennsylvania Employment First Oversight Commission, which is charged to "...issue an annual report on October 1 of each year, detailing the progress on each of the measurable goals and objectives during the preceding fiscal year... [and] include recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly for effective strategies and polices needed to support the implementation of this act." Please find a copy of the inaugural Commission report attached for your review.

The Commissioners and I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you,

MARY HARTLEY  
Chair, Pennsylvania Employment  
First Oversight Commission

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

**2020-21 BUDGET REQUEST  
OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Office of Consumer Advocate  
555 Walnut Street, 5th Floor, Forum Place  
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1923

October 2, 2019

Hon. Tom Wolf  
Governor of Pennsylvania  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Room 225, Main Capitol Bldg.  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Hon. Joseph B. Scarnati, III  
President Pro Tempore  
Senate of Pennsylvania  
Room 292, Main Capitol Bldg.  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Hon. Mike Turzai  
Speaker  
House of Representatives  
Room 139, Main Capitol Bldg.  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Gentlemen:

Enclosed with this letter is the Budget Request of the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

The present budget request is submitted pursuant to Act No. 25 of July 20, 1983. *The OCA budget is not derived from the General Fund*, but is funded through a direct assessment on the companies that are under the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC).

Please contact me if you have any questions about the OCA's budget request or about the Office of Consumer Advocate.

Sincerely,

TANYA J. McCLOSKEY  
Acting Consumer Advocate

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

**PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

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

October 9, 2019

Good Morning,

In accordance with 35 Pa.C.S. § 5303, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) is required to report to the General Assembly annually on the revenue and distributions from the 911 Fund for the previous fiscal year and the compliance with the Commonwealth's 911 priorities.

PEMA is pleased to provide the attached Annual Report to the General Assembly detailing the revenue and distributions from the 911 Fund in 2018. The report also outlines the accomplishments of PEMA and the Pennsylvania 9-1-1 community in 2018 that demonstrates effective stewardship of 911 funding while making significant progress towards next generation 911.

WESTBURN S.T. MAJORS  
Legislative and Policy Director

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF CITY TRUSTS OF PHILADELPHIA**

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CITY TRUSTS  
Acting for the City of Philadelphia, Trustee  
1101 Market Street-Suite 2600  
Philadelphia, PA 19107

October 11, 2019

Ms. Megan Martin  
Secretary-Parliamentarian of the Senate  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
462 Main Capitol Building  
Senate Box 203053  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Ms. Martin:

Enclosed is a copy of the 2018 Annual Report for the Board of Directors of City Trusts. This includes previously issued financial statements for the Girard Estate and Wills Eye Health System for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 in addition to financial statements for the Collective Fund, the Sundry Trusts and the Board's retirement plans for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

**APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE**

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

Senator Maria Collett as a member of the National Guard Youth Challenge Advisory Board.

Senator Timothy Kearney as a member of the State Transportation Advisory Committee.

Senator Wayne Langerholc as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing.

Senator Douglas Mastriano as a member of the National Guard Youth Challenge Advisory Board.

Senator Michael Regan as a member of the National Guard Youth Challenge Advisory Board.

**BILL SIGNED**

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor John K. Fetterman) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

**HB 265.**

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

Senator LANGERHOLC, from the Committee on Education, reported the following bills:

**SB 331 (Pr. No. 1264) (Amended)**

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, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training and establishing the Fire Training Fund.

**SB 836 (Pr. No. 1265) (Amended)**

An Act amending the act of May 30, 2012 (P.L.574, No.59), known as the Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act, further providing for sudden cardiac arrest.

**HB 49 (Pr. No. 2740) (Amended)**

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school security, further providing for definitions, for school police officers, for training, for powers and duties, for school resource officers and for school security guards; in high schools, further providing for courses of study; in miscellaneous provisions relating to institutions of higher education, further providing for Public Higher Education Funding Commission; and, in fostering independence through education, further providing for fostering independence waiver program.

**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 Argall, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Leach.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Argall, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Leach.

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, October 21, 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, October 28, 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, October, 28, 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-49**

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Street
Aument	Farnese	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Baker	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Blake	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Boscola	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brewster	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Brooks	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey

Browne	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Collett	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Corman	Langerholc	Scavello	
Costa	Laughlin	Schwank	
Dinniman	Leach	Stefano	

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.

### **GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN M. DiSANTO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dauphin, Senator DiSanto.

Senator DiSANTO. Mr. President, later today we will be adopting a resolution commemorating the 125th anniversary of the Hershey Company. The Hershey Company is headquartered in the Dauphin County community of Derry Township, where Milton S. Hershey built his new chocolate factory in 1903 after first launching in Lancaster County in 1894. Today the Hershey Company's iconic brands include HERSHEY'S Milk Chocolate and HERSHEY'S KISSES generate more than \$7.8 billion annually. Impressively, they rank first in the United States' confection and second in the United States' snack manufacturing.

The Hershey Company has manufacturing facilities, retail facilities, nonprofit partners, community partners, and approximately 16,500 employees around the world striving to make more moments of goodness for all. Their shared strategy for sustainability encompasses our business, our planet, our communities, and our children. Their employees participate in a global week of service called "Good to Give Back Week." Giving back has always been a part of the Hershey legacy. In 1918, Milton Hershey donated his entire fortune and trust to support what has become the Milton Hershey School, a cost-free, co-residential school and home for children from lower income families, and the Hershey Company continues to power the school until this day.

We are honored to have with us on the Senate floor several representatives of the Hershey Company, and they were kind enough to bring along the HERSHEY'S Milk Chocolate bars that you will find on your desk today, as well as the candy that was distributed in the East Wing Rotunda earlier, and the Hershey characters who posed for photos. Joining us today is Todd Tillemans, President, U.S., who leads Hershey's U.S. business, including core confection. He currently serves on several industry boards, including the Food Marketing Institute and the National Confectioners Association, and he proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Janine Smith, deputy general counsel and vice president, global government relations and strategic risk management. She oversees the company's global ethics and compliance program, government relations, regulatory law, data governance and privacy, and the company's security operations. Joanna Turner, director of government relations; and Todd Scott, manager of corporate brand and editorial corporate communications. When we break, there will be an opportunity for photos with these Hershey representatives and, of course, the giant HERSHEY'S chocolate bar.

Please help me in welcoming to the Senate the Hershey Company on the occasion of their 125th anniversary.

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

(Applause.)

### **GUESTS OF SENATOR LISA M. BOSCOLA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, today I am super excited to introduce two very special guests at the Capitol today, and then I am going to introduce somebody else who is special, too. Right now, I want to talk about Carol and Bob Barron. They have come from Bethlehem today, and this is their first visit to our State Capitol. Now, they are the ones who called my office and wanted to set up a visit, so they are very proactive. We encouraged them to set up the visit when it was a Session day so that they could actually see the Senate at work. Little did they know that I would introduce them on the Senate floor as well. Then today, I was fortunate enough to tell them, oh, look, a bill of mine is going to be running on the Calendar, and that was never expected. So, thank you to the Majority Leader over there. It probably was not planned, but it worked out very well.

The Barrons are super voters and are so committed to our democracy that they decided to celebrate Carol. It is her 71st birthday today, and she wanted to be at the Capitol to celebrate her birthday. I think that is truly amazing. And then the fact that their daughter travels across this country as a hobby to visit State capitols. I cannot believe it. I do not even do that myself when I am on vacation, go visit a State capitol, but this woman's daughter just goes out there and visits State capitols. She does say that our Harrisburg State Capitol is the most beautiful that she has seen in the entire country.

I ask that we give Bob and Carol Barron not only our welcome wishes, but also say happy birthday, Carol. If you would like to rise.

The PRESIDENT. Happy birthday, Carol. Would the guests of Senator Boscola please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I also have the privilege of introducing Gene Gycsek. Gene is the president of the West Coplay Maennerchor. Today, he is in Harrisburg for a very special reason. Gene received the northeastern regional community employer of the year award from PAR. For those who do not know, PAR is the Pennsylvania Advocacy and Resources for Autism and Intellectual Disability. Gene received this award in recognition of his effort to hire and provide outstanding support to employees with disabilities.

Over the past year, the West Coplay Maennerchor, under Gene's leadership, opened its door and offered assistance to several young adults who are interested in community-based work assessments and competitive employment. Specifically, Gene was cited for his work with Tommy. Gene supported Tommy by providing accommodations, a flexible schedule, and adaptive equipment. Due to Gene's mindfulness and innovative employment practices, Tommy has been successful at his job and is even exploring new tasks and learning new skills. In awarding Gene, PAR noted that employers like Gene are vital to our community.

By providing support and paid employment to individuals with intellectual disabilities or autism, Gene is insuring that people like Tommy can achieve goals as valued members of our community.

I am so proud of the work Gene has done for Tommy, and it is my honor to introduce Gene Gycsek on the Senate floor today. Hopefully, the Senate will give its usual warm welcome.

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

(Applause.)

### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

### GUESTS OF SENATOR MARIA COLLETT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Collett.

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, I extend my thanks to Dipesh Pandya of the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Warrington in my district for serving as guest Chaplain today and offering the opening prayer for Session. Mr. Pandya and his wife, Dipti, are here today to share with us one of their most joyous occasions of the year, Diwali. Diwali is a festival celebrated by Hindus, Jains, and Sikhs all over the world, including an estimated 2 million here in the United States. My district is home to the largest Hindu population in the Commonwealth, and they have welcomed me with open arms. I am proud to welcome BAPS members from seven centers across our Commonwealth, including those in Senator Blake's, Senator Boscola's, Senator Fontana's, and Senator Tomlinson's districts, and extend my gratitude to them for sharing their traditions with us here in Harrisburg.

We will be celebrating Diwali in the Main Rotunda from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. today, and I hope that you will join us in our celebration to learn more and enjoy some delicious Indian sweets. Diwali's central message is one that transcends the boundaries of race and religion. It is the message that light prevails over darkness and that good prevails over evil.

The members of the BAPS Hindu community who join us here today continually strive to do good in our communities, and their work undoubtedly makes Pennsylvania a better place to live. Established in 1907, BAPS is a worldwide spiritual and humanitarian organization that is dedicated to community service, peace, and harmony. Motivated by Hindu principles, BAPS strives to care for the world by caring for societies, families and individuals. BAPS endeavors to develop better citizens with high esteem for their roots and culture. Its 3,300 international centers, including over 100 in the United States, support these character building activities. I am so very grateful for the hard work and passion that Mr. Pandya has put into organizing this Dewali celebration and for the amazing work that he and his fellow BAPS community members do in my district every day.

Please join me in giving Mr. Pandya a warm Senate welcome.

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

(Applause.)

### GUESTS OF SENATOR ANDREW E. DINNIMAN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Dinniman.

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, it is my honor today to introduce the mayor of Phoenixville, whom we are honoring today for a very specific purpose. In addition to being an outstanding and well-liked mayor of this municipality, Mayor Urscheler is being honored as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans by the Junior Chamber USA. This is a very distinguished award given to 10 Americans under 40 years old, between 18 years old and 40 years old, who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, and it can truly be said that he is one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans in this country. We are all, in Chester County, are very proud of the good work that Peter Urscheler does, and we are very proud that someone in this Commonwealth and in our county, and in my district, has been awarded as being one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans in this nation. He is joined today by the chief of police of his town, Thomas Sjostrom.

I ask that we give a warm welcome to one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans, Mayor Peter Urscheler of Phoenixville, and the chief of police who is with him.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

(Applause.)

### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators KILLION, BROWNE, ARGALL, AUMENT, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BLAKE, BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, COSTA, DINNIMAN, DiSANTO, FARNESE, FONTANA, GORDNER, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, KEARNEY, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, MENSCH, MUTH, PITTMAN, SANTARSIERO, SCHWANK, TARTAGLIONE, VOGEL, J. WARD, K. WARD and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 235**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of October 2019 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Killion.

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, it is my pleasure this afternoon to offer this resolution designating the month of October 2019 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. Domestic violence affects women and men of all racial, ethnic, religious, educational, social, and economic backgrounds. As a former board member of the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County, I learned firsthand the successful efforts they have made in providing safety, advocacy, and supportive services to all victims within the 49 municipalities in Delaware County.

For over 40 years, the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence has worked to honor victims and survivors, celebrate advocates, and shine a light on intimate partner violence. Staff and volunteers at local domestic violence shelters located in communities across our Commonwealth provide shelter, legal assistance, counseling, and children's services to more than 90,000 victims per year, helping them find safety, obtain justice, and build new lives free of abuse. This resolution encourages all Pennsylvanians to learn more about the causes, signs, prevention, and treatment for domestic violence.

GUESTS OF SENATOR THOMAS H. KILLION  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, today, I introduce this resolution on behalf of the many victims and their families and would like to take this opportunity to recognize the coalition and the many local organizations for their ongoing commitment to these men and women. Staffers of these local organizations which serve the Ninth Senatorial District, my district, are seated in the gallery, including Julie Avalos, the new executive director of the Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County; as well as Shannon Marriott, Matt Illich, and Cecilia Jenkins; and several staff from the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County, including Amelia Rayburn, Melissa Baxter, Kate Etherington, Carolina White, and Ashley Folchman. Organizations such as these do so much for so many, providing direct services to hundreds of victims and their children who reside in the Ninth Senatorial District, as well as throughout our Commonwealth.

Mr. President, I ask that we extend our traditional warm welcome to these very special guests. Thank you.

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

(Applause.)

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise and ask all of our colleagues in this Chamber to join with the gentleman in supporting this resolution. This is a very, very important resolution. The work that he does, and other folks in this Chamber do, with respect to domestic violence and taking steps to prevent it as much as possible. This recognizes October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, something that is critically important for all of us to understand and appreciate. Earlier today, there was a program where the organizations came together with so many advocates who worked so very hard to prevent this and worked with folks who are experiencing it with their family members. We lost 122 individuals in 2018 to domestic violence, many of which were committed with weapons. It is a conversation that we have to continue to have, and having a resolution designating this month, recognizing the importance of awareness, and how we can work with organizations. I ask each of my colleagues to join the gentleman from Delaware in supporting this resolution.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

CALENDAR

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

HB 1085 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

**HB 1085 (Pr. No. 1321)** -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 6 of the Second Consideration Calendar, by Senator CORMAN, as a Special Order of Business.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION  
AND REREFERRED

**HB 1085 (Pr. No. 1321)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.414, No.182), known as the State Personal Property Tax Act.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

Upon motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of 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, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus as well.

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

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tomlinson and Senator Yudichak have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

REQUEST FOR RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. 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.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held in the Rules room, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks and Senator Scavello.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Haywood.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks and Senator Scavello.

Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Haywood.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 81 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 114 (Pr. No. 83) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for snow and ice dislodged or falling from moving vehicle.

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-49

Table with 4 columns: Argall, DiSanto, Martin, Street, Aument, Farnese, Mastriano, Tartaglione, Baker, Fontana, Mensch, Tomlinson, Bartolotta, Gordner, Muth, Vogel, Blake, Haywood, Phillips-Hill, Ward, Judy, Boscola, Hughes, Pittman, Ward, Kim, Brewster, Hutchinson, Regan, Williams, Anthony H., Brooks, Iovino, Sabatina, Williams, Lindsey, Browne, Kearney, Santarsiero, Yaw

Table with 4 columns: Collett, Killion, Scarnati, Yudichak, Corman, Langerholc, Scavello, Costa, Laughlin, Schwank, Dinniman, Leach, Stefano

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.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 174 (Pr. No. 131) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the tax sale of abandoned properties.

Upon motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

SB 174 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 174, Printer's No. 131, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDENT. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 233, HB 330, SB 351, SB 485, HB 510, HB 511, HB 512, SB 688 and SB 689 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 690 (Pr. No. 829) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 27, 1953 (P.L.244, No.34), entitled "An act relating to and regulating the contracts of incorporated towns and providing penalties," further providing for power to convey.

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-49

Table with 4 columns: Argall, DiSanto, Martin, Street, Aument, Farnese, Mastriano, Tartaglione, Baker, Fontana, Mensch, Tomlinson, Bartolotta, Gordner, Muth, Vogel, Blake, Haywood, Phillips-Hill, Ward, Judy, Boscola, Hughes, Pittman, Ward, Kim, Brewster, Hutchinson, Regan, Williams, Anthony H.

Brooks	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Browne	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Collett	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Corman	Langerholc	Scavello	
Costa	Laughlin	Schwank	
Dinniman	Leach	Stefano	

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.

**SB 691 (Pr. No. 830)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-49

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

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.

**SB 692 (Pr. No. 831)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in corporate powers, further providing for real property; and, in corporate powers, further providing for city property and affairs.

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-49

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

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**HB 716** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 22, SB 60, SB 217, SB 256, SB 258, SB 284 and SB 337** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**SB 398 (Pr. No. 380)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions, for proposed regulations and procedures for review, for final-form regulations and final-omitted regulations and procedures for review and for procedures for subsequent review of disapproved final-form or final-omitted regulations.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**HB 407, SB 438, SB 447 and SB 493** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 494 (Pr. No. 528)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1979 (P.L.241, No.78), entitled "An act authorizing political subdivisions, municipality authorities and transportation authorities to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and the sale of real and personal property where no bids are received," further providing for title of the act; adding a short title; and providing for contracts for services.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

Upon motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 495, SB 531 and SB 532** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 722 (Pr. No. 892)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, further providing for powers and duties.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

Upon motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 763 (Pr. No. 973)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1966 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.31, No.1), known as The Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, further providing for compilation and analysis of data.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

Upon motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**HB 775, HB 956 and HB 1222** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

#### RESOLUTION LAID ON THE TABLE

##### **SR 34 (Pr. No. 455)**

A Concurrent Resolution establishing a Global Education Task Force.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 9, the requisite time for action having expired, the resolution was laid on the table.

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

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Street and Senator Hughes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Street and Senator Hughes. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

#### BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

##### **SB 61 (Pr. No. 1006) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for wine and spirits auction permits.

##### **SB 94 (Pr. No. 940) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, in additional coverages, further providing for the definition of "employee"; and making editorial changes.

##### **SB 320 (Pr. No. 324) (Rereported)**

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, enacting the Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act; providing for user direction and agreements, for disclosure of digital assets and electronic communications, for functions of fiduciaries and for compliance and immunity for custodians of digital assets and electronic communications; and making conforming amendments.

##### **SB 332 (Pr. No. 314) (Rereported)**

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in forgery and fraudulent practices, further providing for bad checks.

##### **SB 412 (Pr. No. 730) (Rereported)**

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, repealing provisions relating to disqualifications for service as election officer.

##### **SB 413 (Pr. No. 432) (Rereported)**

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for tenure of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

##### **SB 693 (Pr. No. 838) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in ballots, further providing for form of ballots, printing ballots, stubs and numbers; in voting machines, further providing for form of ballot labels on voting machines; and, in electronic voting systems, further providing for forms.



**SB 750 (Pr. No. 1188) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for grounds, buildings and monuments in general and providing for transfer the authority of Lieutenant Governor's Mansion; and making a related repeal.

**SB 790 (Pr. No. 1051) (Rereported)**

An Act relating to conventional wells and the development of oil, gas and coal; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for preliminary provisions, for general requirements, for enforcement and remedies, for related funds and for miscellaneous provisions; and making an appropriation.

**SB 819 (Pr. No. 1126) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79), known as the Older Adults Protective Services Act, extensively revising provisions on older adults protective services relating to preliminary provisions, administration, criminal history for employees, reporting suspected abuse by employees and miscellaneous provisions; and imposing penalties.

**HB 227 (Pr. No. 197) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in nomination of candidates, further providing for number of signers required for nomination petitions of candidates at primaries.

**HB 375 (Pr. No. 348) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly, further providing for definitions.

**HB 684 (Pr. No. 697) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly, further providing for the definition of "income."

**HB 754 (Pr. No. 804) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly, further providing for determination of eligibility.

**HB 859 (Pr. No. 2086) (Rereported)**

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in 911 emergency communication services, further providing for definitions, for telecommunications management, for counties, for fund, for telephone records, for inventory and for termination of chapter.

**HB 947 (Pr. No. 2176) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for sales and liquor licensees and restrictions, for performing arts facility license and for hours of operation relative to manufacturers, importing distributors and distributors; and, in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for distilleries.

**HB 1085 (Pr. No. 1321) (Rereported)**

An Act repealing the act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.414, No.182), known as the State Personal Property Tax Act.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS  
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION  
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

**SB 790 (Pr. No. 1051)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act relating to conventional wells and the development of oil, gas and coal; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for preliminary provisions, for general requirements, for enforcement and remedies, for related funds and for miscellaneous provisions; and making an appropriation.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

**POINT OF ORDER**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland, Senator Kim Ward.

Senator K. WARD. Madam President, I request a ruling pursuant to Senate Rule 20 as to whether I have a conflict of interest on Senate Bill No. 790. My son is a contracted representative of the Pennsylvania Grade Crude Oil Coalitions, whose members may, or may not, be affected by this legislation, and based on this fact, am I permitted to vote?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair finds that the gentleman and her son are members of a class of individuals who may, or may not, be affected by the actions of Senate Bill No. 790. Second, the Chair does not find that any votes the gentleman may cast would be particularly personal to Senator Kim Ward or privately affect Senator Kim Ward alone, so it is the ruling of the Chair that you must vote on this legislation.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

**YEA-26**

Argall	Corman	Mastriano	Stefano
Aument	DiSanto	Mensch	Vogel
Baker	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brewster	Langerholc	Regan	Yaw
Brooks	Laughlin	Scarnati	
Browne	Martin	Scavello	

**NAY-23**

Blake	Fontana	Leach	Tartaglione
Boscola	Haywood	Muth	Tomlinson
Collett	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H.

Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak
Farnese	Killion	Street	

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.

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

Senator K. WARD, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 236**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of October 20 through 26, 2019, as "Respiratory Care Week" in Pennsylvania and commending respiratory therapists for their outstanding contributions to health care.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland, Senator K. Ward.

Senator K. WARD. Madam President, as a former respiratory therapist, this resolution recognizes the week of October 20 through October 26, 2019, as "Respiratory Care Week" in Pennsylvania. I can tell you from firsthand experience, and it has been years, so I cannot even call them my colleagues any longer because I have not worked in this field since the late 1980s, but from treating asthma to monitoring blood gases to make sure that a patient is oxygenated on a ventilator, there is no doubt that the respiratory therapist is an integral and important part of the patient care team, because after all, no matter what we do as humans, we cannot live without oxygen. So, I am happy to stand here on their behalf today and present this resolution making this week Respiratory Care Week. 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 FONTANA, DiSANTO, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, STREET, FARNESE, BROWNE, J. WARD, IOVINO, DINNIMAN, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, AUMENT, BLAKE, COSTA and SABATINA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 237**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "Italian-American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator FONTANA. Madam President, I rise today to ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing October 2019 as "Italian-American Heritage Month." Perhaps one of the most famous Italian explorers was Christopher Columbus. Columbus was determined to find a quicker route west from Europe to Asia, and during one of his voyages he accidentally stumbled upon the Americas. For this reason, many credit Christopher Columbus with Italian immigration to the New World. Additionally, the voyages created what is known as the Columbian Exchange, which set into motion the widespread transfer of people, plants, animals, and cultures.

Italian immigrants really began moving to the United States in sizable numbers around the 1820s and helped fuel a booming industrial economy. Today, the Commonwealth is proud to be home to over 1.4 million Italian Americans. More impressively, Madam President, Allegheny County has the highest Italian American population in the State. I am proud of the contributions Italian Americans have made toward society in areas like politics, the arts, science, law, and the economy. As an Italian American myself, it is with great pride that I urge adoption of this resolution.

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 FONTANA, FARNESE, KEARNEY, HUGHES, COLLETT, BARTOLOTTA, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, IOVINO, BROWNE, BREWSTER, BAKER, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, MENSCH, COSTA and MASTRIANO, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 238**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of October 13 through 19, 2019, as "Homeless Children's Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator FONTANA. Madam President, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in adopting this resolution designating the week of October 13 through October 19, 2019, as "Homeless Children's Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania. Designating this week will bring attention to the growing problems and issues children experiencing homelessness face throughout Pennsylvania and across the nation. The Federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act states that children are homeless if they lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Children of all ages are negatively impacted by homelessness in the areas of physical health, emotional and behavioral development, and academic success. Unfortunately, every county in the State has homeless children, which is the fastest-growing segment of the homeless population. In fact, 42 percent of homeless children in Pennsylvania are 6 years of age or younger. During the 2017-18 school year, there were more than 36,823 reported cases of homelessness among Commonwealth youth.

I recognize the Homeless Children's Education Fund, which is why I introduce this resolution each year. This year the Homeless Children's Education Fund celebrates 20 years that it has been working to advance the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness in Allegheny County. Many events took place during Homeless Children's Awareness Week in Pittsburgh, which included an art installation where volunteers of all ages stood for 15 minutes holding a drawing a face of a child in front of their own to represent the over 4,100 children identified by their Allegheny County schools as homeless at some point last year.

I thank you, Madam President, for consideration 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.

Senators DiSANTO, STREET, VOGEL, LANGERHOLC, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, YAW, MARTIN, KILLION, BROWNE, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, MASTRIANO, BAKER, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, SCHWANK and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 239**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the 125th anniversary of The Hershey Company.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dauphin, Senator DiSanto.

Senator DiSANTO. Madam President, I refer to my comments read earlier today into the record. 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 TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, FARNESE, FONTANA, VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, MARTIN, SANTARSIERO, PHILLIPS-HILL, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, KILLION, AUMENT, KEARNEY, K. WARD, HUGHES, SCHWANK, BAKER, PITTMAN, MENSCH, YUDICHAK and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 240**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania and October 18, 2019, as "National Mammography Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Madam President, I rise today to discuss a disease that affects too many people and claims too many lives each year. I am referring to breast cancer. This year, about 269,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the United States, another 63,000 new cases of non-invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed, and an estimated 41,760 women will die from breast cancer in the United States. Breast cancer is the second most common form of cancer among U.S. women. About one in eight of us will develop breast cancer in our lifetime. In Pennsylvania, breast cancer is the most common type of cancer among women, and the incident rate is more than double the second most common form. A disease that poses a threat to men too, about 1 in 1,000 U.S. men will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

Unfortunately, breast cancer screening is lagging in the Commonwealth. We rank 35th among States for the mammography rate among women over 40. As many of you know, breast cancer has affected my own family, as my sister lost her battle with breast cancer, but there is good news. When the disease is detected early at the localized stage, the 5-year survival rate for breast cancer is 99 percent. So we must continue to raise awareness about this horrible disease, encourage regular screenings, and seek medical attention when we first detect symptoms.

Madam President, in honor of the people who have lost their battle with breast cancer, for those who are currently fighting the disease, for those who will survive it, and for all of their family members and friends, I introduce this resolution recognizing October as "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania, and I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote on the resolution.

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 TARTAGLIONE, DINNIMAN, FARNESE, BREWSTER, FONTANA, J. WARD, IOVINO, STREET, SANTARSIERO, YUDICHAK, ARGALL, BROWNE, SCHWANK, MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, COSTA, KILLION, BLAKE and SABATINA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 241**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Madam President, I rise today to ask my fellow Senators to join me in recognizing October as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. Held each October across the United States, this campaign raises awareness about disability employment issues and celebrates the many varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities. This year's theme is "The Right Talent, Right Now." National Disability Employment Awareness Month originated

more than 70 years ago when, in 1945, Congress declared the first National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. Today, the U.S. Department of Labor plans and promotes the annual observance. Twenty-nine years ago, Congress adopted the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires employers to provide reasonable accommodations for employees with disabilities.

Today, millions of Americans are living with disabilities, including many military veterans and myself. We deserve the opportunity to work productively, to support ourselves financially, and to contribute to the economic prosperity of our society. I urge all employers, labor organizations, and community organizations to participate in National Disability Employment Awareness Month. Tomorrow morning, in the Capitol's main Rotunda, I will host my annual Disability Employment Awareness Day, an open house event where public agencies and non-profit organizations will share information about products and services and promote accessibility for people with disabilities. We will be there from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. I encourage all of my colleagues to stop by, collect some valuable information, and meet the beautiful service dogs. Working together, we can grow a more inclusive workforce where people are recognized not for their limitations, but for their abilities. Therefore, please join me in recognizing October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month in the Commonwealth.

Thank you, Madam President.

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators ARGALL, BOSCOLA, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO, MARTIN, FONTANA, COSTA, J. WARD, DINNIMAN, KILLION, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, BROWNE, BLAKE, PITTMAN, SCHWANK, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, BAKER and AUMENT, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 242**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "Chiropractic Health Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senators KILLION, AUMENT, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BLAKE, BREWSTER, BROWNE, COSTA, FARNESE, HUGHES, IOVINO, KEARNEY, LANGERHOLC, LEACH, MARTIN, MENSCH, SCHWANK, STREET, TARTAGLIONE, VOGEL, J. WARD and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 243**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of October 2019 as "Bullying Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senators SCHWANK, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, FARNESE, MASTRIANO, BARTOLOTTA, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, IOVINO, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, BREWSTER, LEACH, BROWNE, TARTAGLIONE and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 244**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 9, 2019, as "PANS/PANDAS Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator SCHWANK. Madam President, I am offering this resolution declaring a "PANS/PANDAS Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania. What is PANS? It is pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, and PANDAS are pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections. These are infection-induced autoimmune conditions that disrupt a child's normal neurological functioning and result in a sudden onset of obsessive-compulsive changes and symptoms, such as anorexia, anxiety, irritability, hyperactivity, sleep disturbances, mood swings, and other symptoms. PANDAS is mainly a subcategory of PANS specifically tied to a streptococcal infection.

The science on these conditions is still emerging, and States around the country are increasingly recognizing and responding to the risk and strain these conditions impose on the affected children and their families. The families who are suffering under this condition are asking for coverage for treatment under health insurance policies, public information outreach, and increased research and treatment guidelines. For parents, a child developing PANDAS can be as upsetting as it is costly because of the current general lack of awareness among medical professionals and the public. My resolution aims to increase the awareness and attention and to encourage increased research and better understanding of these disorders, their causes, and treatment.

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 HAYWOOD, KEARNEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, HUGHES, BROWNE, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, AUMENT, BAKER, SCHWANK and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 245**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of October 20 through 26, 2019, as "Pro Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator HAYWOOD. Madam President, pro bono, short for pro bono publico, is a Latin term meaning "for the public good."

Pro bono work is a professional responsibility and individual ethical commitment of each lawyer in our Commonwealth. Across the Commonwealth, attorneys provide pro bono legal services on a voluntary basis to individuals and families in all areas of law, and it greatly enhances the availability of legal services to individuals. Celebrating "Pro Bono Week" provides the legal community an opportunity to collaborate with community organizations to offer free legal services to the poor and vulnerable. Pro Bono Week is also used by attorneys to recruit new attorneys and young attorneys to this activity. I have been an attorney for quite some time and I know that there are tremendous efforts of local attorneys to provide services at no cost. I was part of a tremendous program that was a diversion program, individuals who were facing mortgage foreclosure came to pro bono attorneys who then began to negotiate recasting and other kinds of agreements with individuals so they could save their homes. This has been a tremendous success. I am sure other activities are similar across this State.

During Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the American Bar Association specifically highlighted the good work of lawyers who were providing legal assistance to survivors of domestic and sexual violence. So I ask you and our Senate colleagues to join me in honoring the extraordinary work of attorneys across this Commonwealth who provide pro bono legal services and that we recognize this work through this resolution, recognizing October 20 through 26, 2019, as Pro Bono Week in Pennsylvania. 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 YUDICHAK, FONTANA, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, BREWSTER, PHILLIPS-HILL, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, AUMENT and SCHWANK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 246**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 5, 2019, as "Peroxisomal Disorder Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senators MARTIN, AUMENT, MENSCH, ARGALL, BROWNE, LANGERHOLC, DiSANTO, PHILLIPS-HILL, BAKER, KILLION, BARTOLOTTA, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN, J. WARD, DINNIMAN, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, BLAKE, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, SCAVELLO and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 247**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of October 2019 as "Down Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator MARTIN. Madam President, October is recognized as "Down Syndrome Awareness Month" across this nation, and I am proud to continue to bring attention to the value that nearly 400,000 people living in the United States with Down syndrome have in our communities. With early intervention, therapies, quality education, and support from families and their communities, individuals with Down syndrome adapt and thrive. They attend school, read at grade level, attend college and job training programs, they can obtain full-time employment, get married, climb mountains, and achieve things some of us never dare to try. Our friends and neighbors with Down syndrome bless us every day, and it is my hope that we can continue to honor them by designating October 2019 as Down Syndrome Awareness Month 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.

Senators DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, KILLION, K. WARD, FONTANA, J. WARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, BLAKE, HUGHES, STREET, BAKER, SCHWANK, BROWNE, YUDICHAK, COSTA and AUMENT, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 248**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "National Principals Month" in Pennsylvania and honoring the contribution of principals in the elementary schools, middle schools and high schools of our nation.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Madam President, there are over 5,000 principals in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We have to understand that the principal is the leader of the school, if he or she is doing the job properly. It is not just, you know, we think of going to the principal's office as something dealing simply with discipline, but the principal has the responsibility also for the instructional integrity and success of the school. The principal has the responsibility to evaluate each teacher to make sure that teacher has achieved the instructional goals. The principal is the prime person in the school who reaches out to the community and helps create that kind of relationship that will make each and every student as productive academically as possible. So it is with a sense of gratitude that I rise and ask the Senate to declare October in this State, as we are doing across the nation, as "National Principals Month."

Thank you very much, 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 J. WARD, MASTRIANO, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, STREET, IOVINO, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, BREWSTER, BAKER, BROWNE, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, MENSCH and BARTOLOTTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 249**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing September 7, 2019, as "World Duchenne Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Blair, Senator Judy Ward.

Senator J. WARD. Madam President, I join with Senator Mastriano in offering a resolution recognizing September 7, 2019, as "World Duchenne Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania. We both have constituents who recently made us aware of this rare disease. Chad and Amy Andrews of St. Thomas in Franklin County have a son named Chase who has Duchenne muscular dystrophy. Duchenne is the most common fatal genetic disorder diagnosed in childhood affecting approximately 1 in every 5,000 live male births each year. The Duchenne gene is found on the X chromosome, and while it primarily affects boys, it occurs across all races and cultures. Duchenne results in a progressive loss of strength and muscle weakness, which leads to serious medical problems, particularly issues relating to the heart and lungs. Although there are medical treatments that may help slow its progression, there is currently no cure for Duchenne. I am pleased to be able to join with Senator Mastriano in introducing this resolution on behalf of the families we represent and the thousands of other families who have had their lives affected by Duchenne muscular dystrophy, and I ask for your support for this resolution to raise awareness of this rare muscular disorder.

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 BARTOLOTTA, BOSCOLA, J. WARD, FONTANA, BAKER, DINNIMAN, STREET, FARNESE, PHILLIPS-HILL, BROWNE, MARTIN, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, COSTA, MASTRIANO and SABATINA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 250**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of October 21 through 27, 2019, as "Business Women's Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Madam President, women in Pennsylvania are an integral part of our economic engine and have worked diligently in pursuit of equal opportunity both personally and professionally. According to the Business and Professional

Women's Foundation, there are over 7 million majority-owned, privately-held, women-owned businesses in the United States. These firms employ 7.3 million people and generate \$1.1 trillion in sales. As a business owner myself, I welcome the opportunity for companies to highlight women's achievements as leaders and mentors and to consider how they can support and continue the progress that women have made in the workforce. National Business Women's Week is an initiative first observed in 1928, with the support of the Business and Professional Women's Foundation. It has been regularly celebrated the third week of October since 1938. "Business Women's Week" provides an opportunity to call attention to women entrepreneurs, facilitate discussions on the needs of working women, share information about successful workplace policies, and raise awareness of the resources available for working women in their communities. In recognition of the critical role women play in the development and success of our business community and the contributions that they make to our economic, civil, and cultural livelihood, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing October 21 through 27, 2019, as Business Women's Week 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.

### BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to consideration of all bills reported from committee for the first time at today's Session.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

**SB 331, SB 836 and HB 49.**

And said bills having been considered for the first time,  
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for second consideration.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

#### SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019

9:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (public hearing on charter school entities)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
9:00 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (S) and STATE GOVERNMENT (H) (joint public hearing on House Resolution No. 206, Concurrent Resolution calling for a Convention of States)	Room B31 Main Capitol
9:30 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider Senate Bills No. 726, 727, 891 and Senate Resolution No. 191; and a briefing to discuss the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI))	Room 8E-B East Wing

10:00 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider House Bills No. 917, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1174, 1180, 1379 and 1405)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:30 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (informational meeting on the economic development opportunities of the data center industry)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.
11:00 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (to consider Senate Bills No. 842 and 906)	Room 461 Main Capitol
11:30 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bills No. 908 and 910)	Room 8E-A East Wing
12:00 P.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (to consider the nomination of Ralph Yanora to the Public Utility Commission)	Room 461 Main Capitol
12:30 P.M.	AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS (to consider Senate Bill No. 798)	Room 461 Main Capitol
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider certain Executive Nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019

9:30 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (public hearing on the Medical Assistance Statewide Preferred Drug List)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
9:30 A.M.	LABOR AND INDUSTRY (public hearing on private changing facilities for disabled children and adults)	Room 8E-B East Wing
9:30 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bills No. 329 and 334; and House Bill No. 1578)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 74; and House Bill No. 17)	Room 8E-A East Wing

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019

9:00 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (public hearing to discuss the consolidation of the State's IT services and making improvements to cybersecurity capabilities)	Room 8E-A East Wing
9:00 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (S) and URBAN AFFAIRS (H) (joint public hearing on Senate Bill No. 775; and House Bill No. 1559)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

**PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Madam President, today marks 4,852 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is more than 13 years, and it is far too long. I would like to use a real-life example to demonstrate exactly how far behind we are in Pennsylvania on this issue. Six months ago, the city of Little Rock created a homeless outreach program called "Bridge to Work." So far, more than 400 homeless people have signed up to collect litter around the State's capital city, and they are getting paid for it. The program has been so successful

that the city has extended it for another year. It is not necessarily a novel idea, but what strikes me most is how much the participants are getting paid. They earn more than \$9.25 an hour. That is \$2 more than minimum wage workers in Pennsylvania, and it should alarm us. The folks in Arkansas are making \$9.25 because that is the minimum wage in their State. It is a State, mind you, with the second lowest cost of living in the country, and it is a deep red State, by any measure. Yet, in 2014, on a statewide referendum, Arkansas voters adopted a plan to raise the State's minimum wage, which at the time was just \$6.25 an hour, below the Federal minimum wage. Arkansas voters did it again last November when they approved a plan to raise their minimum wage to \$11 by the year 2021. This time the balloting was not even close, 68 percent voted "yes" on the issue. As a result, the minimum wage in Arkansas has been increased four times in the last 5 years and will continue to rise.

In neighboring Missouri, which has the fourth lowest cost of living in the country, voters have endorsed a plan to raise their minimum wage to \$12 an hour by 2023. By comparison, Pennsylvania's minimum wage workers have not gotten a raise in more than 13 years. My legislation, Senate Bill No. 12, would correct the injustice and would reestablish the Commonwealth as a national leader on minimum wage. It would grant millions of Pennsylvanians the financial independence that they have worked so long and so hard to earn.

Thank you, Madam President.

**RECESS**

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

Senator AUMENT. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, October 22, 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 4:55 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.