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PROCEEDINGS

EIGHTH DAY

(Wednesday, January 30, 2019)

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Fallon, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Powell, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

The President announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Pastor John Stennfeld, Christ Lutheran Church, Austin, offered the invocation as follows:

Dear heavenly Father, we thank You through Jesus Christ, Your dear son, that You have kept us this night from all harm and danger, and we pray that You would keep us this day also from sin and every evil, that all our doings in life may please You. For into Your hands we commend our very selves, our bodies and souls, and all things. Let Your holy angels be with us, that the evil foe may have no power over us. Use us this day, both as individuals and as the servant leaders of this state, as the instruments of Your grace, that through our deeds and decisions and actions, others may be blessed, not only here in Texas but even throughout the entire world. This I pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

Senator Whitmire moved that the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day be dispensed with and the Journal be approved as printed.

The motion prevailed without objection.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator West was recognized and presented Dr. David Schneider of Dallas as the Physician of the Day.

The Senate welcomed Dr. Schneider and thanked him for his participation in the Physician of the Day program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Buckingham was recognized and introduced to the Senate the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor football team, 2018 NCAA Division III national champions.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

RESOLUTION SIGNED

The President announced the signing of the following enrolled resolution in the presence of the Senate: SCR 12.

SENATE RESOLUTION 40

Senator Campbell offered the following resolution:

SR 40, Recognizing February 1, 2019, as National Wear Red Day in Texas.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Campbell was recognized and introduced to the Senate an American Heart Association delegation: Lashawnda Walker, Azih Walker, Caitlyn Giesler, Marcie Wilson, and Ethan Edwards.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Zaffirini was recognized and introduced to the Senate Laredo Mayor Pete Saenz, Councilmembers Rudy Gonzales Jr., Vidal Rodríguez, Mercurio Martínez, Nelly Vielma, Marte Martínez, and George Altgelt, accompanied by a City of Laredo delegation and City Manager Cynthia Collazo.

Senator Zaffirini also introduced to the Senate a delegation representing the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association from Laredo including Webb County Judge Tano Tijerina, Ernest Martin "Rocky" Bruni III, Anna Isabel Alvarez, Cayetano Isaac Tijerina, Judith Marie Santos, Riley Olivia Peregoy, Daniel B. Hastings IV, Miranda Montes Mendoza of Mexico, Jorge Emiliano Perez Garza of Mexico, and Association President Jay Puig.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 86

Senator Rodríguez offered the following resolution:

SR 86, Commemorating the life of José Tomás Canales.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUEST PRESENTED

Senator Rodríguez was recognized and introduced to the Senate State Representative Terry Canales.

The Senate welcomed its guest.

SENATE RESOLUTION 84

Senator Seliger offered the following resolution:

SR 84, Recognizing January 30, 2019, as Community College Day.

SELIGER CREIGHTON

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Seliger, joined by Senators Birdwell, Creighton, Hinojosa, Hughes, Lucio, Menéndez, Rodríguez, and Zaffirini, was recognized and introduced to the Senate Texas Association of Community Colleges representatives and Texas community college students, administrators, and instructors from Amarillo College; Howard College; Midland College; Odessa College; Frank Phillips College; Clarendon College; Houston Community College; Lee College; Lone Star Colleges from Tomball, Creekside Center, and The Woodlands; South Texas College; Del Mar College; Coastal Bend College; Texas Southmost College; Navarro College; Kilgore College; Panola College; Paris Junior College; Texarkana College; Tyler Junior College; Alamo Colleges; and El Paso Community College, celebrating Community College Day.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

MOTION IN WRITING

Senator Hughes offered the following Motion In Writing:

Mr. President:

I move that a committee of five members of the Senate be appointed by the President to escort the Governor and First Lady of Texas to the Joint Session for the State of the State address on Tuesday.

I further move that a committee of five members of the Senate be appointed by the President to escort the Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court to the Joint Session for the State of the Judiciary address on Wednesday.

HUGHES

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

ESCORT COMMITTEES APPOINTED

In accordance with the provisions of **HCR 38**, the President announced the appointment of the following as a Committee to Escort Governor Abbott and Cecilia Abbott to the Joint Session: Senators Nelson, Chair; Bettencourt, Hinojosa, Lucio, and Taylor.

In accordance with the provisions of **HCR 39**, the President announced the appointment of the following as a Committee to Escort Chief Justice Nathan L. Hecht to the Joint Session: Senators Whitmire, Chair; Buckingham, Creighton, Hancock, and Huffman.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS EXTENDED

Senator Paxton was recognized and, on behalf of the Senate, extended birthday greetings to Senator Flores.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 3

On motion of Senator Nelson, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of SB 3.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 36

On motion of Senator Zaffirini, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SB 36.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 155

On motion of Senator Rodríguez, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SB 155.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 346

On motion of Senator Zaffirini, Senator Huffman will be shown as Co-author of SB 346.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 393

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senators Hinojosa and Perry will be shown as Co-authors of SB 393.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 443

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator Hinojosa will be shown as Co-author of SB 443.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1

On motion of Senator Nelson, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SJR 1.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 7

On motion of Senator Rodríguez, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SJR 7.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolutions

SR 94 by West, In memory of John Weldon Berry Sr.

SR 96 by Buckingham, In memory of Robert Vance Elkins and Von Dean Rose Elkins.

Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 90 by Watson, Recognizing Austin Saengerrunde Damenchor on the occasion of its 60th anniversary.

SR 91 by Watson, Recognizing Pflour Shop in Pflugerville on the occasion of its grand opening.

SR 95 by West, Recognizing Sarah Rebecca Garza and Michael Gilbert Rodriguez on the occasion of their marriage.

SR 98 by Rodríguez, Recognizing the nation of Israel for its achievements in water management.

SR 99 by Hughes, Recognizing Mercy Ships on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

SR 100 by Hughes, Honoring Bailey C. Moseley for his service on the Texas Sixth District Court of Appeals.

SR 101 by Hughes, Recognizing L. Michael Metke on the occasion of his retirement.

SR 102 by Hughes, Congratulating Alan Haynes on his induction into the Texas Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

SR 103 by Hughes, Recognizing Jenica Turner on the occasion of her retirement.

Official Designation Resolutions

SR 92 by Watson, Recognizing February 25, 2019, as Association of Texas Professional Educators Day.

SR 93 by Watson, Designating February of 2019 as Career and Technical Education Month in Texas.

SR 97 by Watson, Bettencourt, Buckingham, Creighton, Flores, Johnson, Schwertner, and Zaffirini, Designating February 5, 2019, as Orange and Maroon Legislative Day.

RECESS AND MOTION TO ADJOURN

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the Senate at 12:07 p.m. agreed to recess until 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 1, 2019, for the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading.

The Senate further agreed to adjourn, upon completion of the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading, until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

APPENDIX

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

January 29, 2019

SCR 12, SR 75, SR 79, SR 87, SR 88

SENT TO SECRETARY OF STATE

January 30, 2019

SCR 12