

THE EIGHTEENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Thursday), February 21, 2019

Senate called to order at 11:43 a.m.

President Marshall presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Senator Ratti, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Reverend Glenn E. Taylor Sr.

We will briefly observe a moment of silence for other religious beliefs that are represented here, today, after which, I will pray in the manner of my Christian belief. Shall we bow our heads.

Father God, in the Name of Jesus, today, we lift up our hearts and minds to You during this season of celebration for the diversity represented here in this Chamber. You are a sovereign God over all things, but we ask that You allow Your chosen legislative servants to share, within the context of Your mercy, the governance over what You have created and the people who have been created in Your own image.

We thank You for the blessings, in advance, for the Governor of the State of Nevada, blessings upon each of the Nevada Legislative leaders and their respective staff. You have allowed a diversity of public servants, who have been chosen for such a time as this, to respond to the conditions and needs of the underprivileged, the underserved, the disenfranchised and those who may feel their voices have not been heard or who are disenchanting relative to their current status of unfilled dreams. Allow our leaders to balance the impactful challenges proposed and presented on behalf of all Nevadans.

We pray that You will give them the power of discernment as they seek to represent the given diversity in this political season of uncertainty. Give them the legislative authority and power, through a concerted effort in their making of laws and resolutions, that will lead to a sanctioned and lasting harmonious peace knowing that who they are today is Your gift to them but what they make of themselves, through their God-given talents, is their gift back to You.

And all who agree with this prayer shall say,

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Remarks by President Marshall.

It is my pleasure to announce that the Black National Anthem will be presented by Minister Desean Horne.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the Journal is dispensed with, and the President and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Madam President:

Your Committee on Commerce and Labor, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 125, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

PAT SPEARMAN, *Chair*

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4—Expressing the support of the Nevada Legislature for the enactment of the federal Recovering America's Wildlife Act.

Senator Scheible moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Commerce and Labor:

Senate Bill No. 234—AN ACT relating to health care; requiring the Commissioner of Insurance to collect certain information from providers of health care, establish a database comprised of such information and compile an annual report concerning such information; requiring the Commissioner to develop a form letter to provide certain notice to providers of health care relating to participation in the network of a health carrier; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Spearman moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Spearman requested that her remarks be entered in the Journal.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated is an international organization that was founded in January 1908 with the mission of providing service to all mankind. Members participate in "AKA Day at the Capitol" to advocate on behalf of civil rights and social justice issues as well as items of interest to women, children and minorities. The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha partner with members of other community service organizations for Legislative Day, including The Links, Incorporated, National Coalition of 100 Black Women and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. I am a proud member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; I crossed at Norfolk State, Delta Theta Chapter. Please help me make them feel welcome.

Senator Atkinson requested that his remarks be entered in the Journal.

Today, we celebrate Black History at the State Legislature through the Black History Summit where close to 150 attendees are comprised of the business sector, small to large businesses, retirees, government, faith-based and non-profit communities, fellow elected officials, fraternities, sororities and especially middle, high school and college students. This is a day of learning the legislative process, meeting with representatives, developing relationships and overall unity.

We acknowledge and pay homage to those that came before us to pave the way for us to celebrate the most Black Legislators in the history of Nevada, totaling 11 for this 80th Legislative Session.

As far as Black Legislative History is concerned, within our Chamber today, we have the first LGBTQ African-American Majority Leader; we have the first-out lesbian State Senator to serve in this Body from District 1 and the first African-American female to represent Senate District 11. We truly celebrate the fact that in 2018 Nevada elected our first Black Constitutional Officer, Attorney General Aaron Ford.

The Nevada Black Legislative Caucus would like to publicly thank all attendees for traveling from throughout the State and ask that you all stand so we can acknowledge you. Colleagues of the Senate, join me in giving a warm welcome to our Black History Summit guests in the Senate.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Atkinson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Demetrice Dalton, Key Dalton, Warren Evans and Shaundell Newsome.

On request of Senator Cancela, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Arlene Joyner Tucker.

On request of Senator Cannizzaro, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Carmen Jones, Hubzetta Purnell and Sami Randolph.

On request of Senator Dondero Loop, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Lisa Morris Hibbler Ph.D. and Veronica Sutton-Dunn.

On request of Senator Goicoechea, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Bob Burnham and Dzidra Junior.

On request of Senator Hammond, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Kemba Anderson, Quincy L. Branch, Patricia Gallimore and Don Gallimore Sr.

On request of Senator Harris, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Catherine Byrne, Ida Galines and Berna Rhodes-Ford.

On request of Senator Kieckhefer, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Darlene Baker, Coretta Cosby Patterson and Barbara Green Bolton.

On request of Senator Ohrenschall, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Georgie Rucker, Gwen Taylor and Mae Worthey Thomas Ph.D.

On request of Senator Parks, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Terri Yates.

On request of Senator Pickard, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Valerie Lucas and Sandra Mack.

On request of Senator Scheible, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Zephanye Sistrunk.

On request of Senator Spearman, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Nedra Cooper, Kechia English, Jean Jones and Tricia McLaurin.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jacqueline Brown, Taylor Dupree and Janet Serial.

On request of President Marshall, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Reverend Glenn Taylor Sr. and Minister Desean Horne.

Senator Atkinson moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday, February 25, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Approved:

KATE MARSHALL
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate