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OF THE

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Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Wednesday, January 24, 1973

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cecil Jones of Gardiner.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Orders Out of Order

Mr. Theriault of Rumford presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that Guy Hillman, III of Rumford be appointed Honorary Page for today.

The Order was received out of order, by unanimous consent, read and passed.

Mrs. Lewis of Auburn presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that Tim Scales, Mark and Mike Morin and Gary St. Laurent of Auburn be appointed Honorary Pages for today.

The Order was received out of order by unanimous consent, read and passed.

Papers from the Senate

Bills and Resolves from the Senate requiring reference were disposed of in concurrence, with the following exception:

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Pony Pulling Contests" (S. P. 101) (L. D. 246)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House: On motion of Mr. Evans of Freedom, referred to the Committee on Agriculture in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

Orders Out of Order

From the Senate: The following Order: (S. P. 143)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they adjourn to Tuesday, January 30, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was received out of order by unanimous consent, read and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order: (S. P. 144)

WHEREAS, it is with deep regret, shock and sadness that the Legislature has learned of the death of former President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Thursday, the 25th of January, 1973 has been proclaimed a day of mourning with the 106th Maine Legislature to stand in recess on that day; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that notwithstanding Joint Rule 8, all requests for bills and resolves covered by said Joint Rule shall be submitted to the Director of Legislative Research not later than 5:00 P.M. on January 31, 1973 and such measures in complete and final form shall be introduced in the appropriate House not later than 5:00 P.M. on March 14, 1973.

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Joint Order was received out of order by unanimous consent, read and passed in concurrence.

Orders

Mr. Silverman of Calais presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, Thursday the 25th day of January 1973 has been proclaimed a day of mourning for President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and

WHEREAS, the 106th Legislature will stand at recess on that day and will require the payment of lodging for some of its members, now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Finance Officer be authorized to pay lodging expenses in the usual weekly manner to cover this day of recess. (H. P. 338)

The Order was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith.

On motion of Mrs. White of Guilford, it was

ORDERED, that the members of the House of Representatives extend their sympathy and their hopes for a speedy and complete recovery to Mr. Johnston, House

Reporter, who was injured in an accident last week; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to send flowers to Mr. Johnston.

On motion of Mrs. White of Guilford, it was

ORDERED, that the House of Representatives give a special vote of thanks to Mrs. Morrisette, Assistant House Reporter, who did a splendid job performing both her duties and his Wednesday and Thursday morning.

At this point, the Speaker appointed Ronald Veno of Augusta as temporary House Reporter.

Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft presented the following Joint Resolution and moved its adoption.

Tabled and Assigned

WHEREAS, the housing supply statistics of the United States Bureau of the Census indicate that there exists in the State of Maine a housing supply shortage of critical proportions in the general area of reasonably-priced, safe and sanitary housing; and

WHEREAS, the shortage of housing has been felt most by the low income, moderate income and elderly citizens of the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the above housing shortage is most critical in the more rural communities of the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the conventional housing market is unable to provide a sufficiently large enough supply of reasonably priced, safe and sanitary housing to fill the just needs of the above-noted citizens of the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the inability of the conventional housing market to supply sufficient reasonably priced, safe and sanitary housing to the above-noted citizens of the State of Maine has necessitated that governmental incentives and subsidies be provided in order to encourage the necessary production of housing to satisfy the just needs of the above-noted Maine citizens; and

WHEREAS, said governmental incentives and subsidies have been

provided by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Farmers' Home Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the above-noted Federal Governmental Departments have recently declared a moratorium of 18-months' duration on the provision of the above-cited incentives, subsidies and resulting housing production; and

WHEREAS, such a moratorium will constitute a significant economic and social hardship in Maine by eliminating 6,000 housing starts which means a loss of \$100,000,000 to the Maine economy and a deprivation to Maine workers of 18,000 man years of employment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the One Hundred and Sixth Legislative session now assembled, do wish to express our profound belief to Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States of America, that the moratorium on these housing programs should be lifted at once; and be it further

RESOLVED: That an attested copy of the above resolution be sent to Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States. (H. P. 339)

The Joint Resolution was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dover-Foxcroft, Mr. Smith.

Mr. SMITH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I understand that something is going to happen to this in a few minutes, but I just wanted to get out exactly what this is all about. This eighteen-month moratorium, I believe, is going to impose something of a hardship in the State of Maine starting very very soon. What it will do, in fact, is prohibit the building of 6,000 housing units which were planned to begin next summer. That means, in more concrete terms perhaps, that 18,000 man years of employment which will be gone and \$100 million at the very minimum which will not come into the economy of the State of Maine. And with those

bare facts I shall sit down and let the body judge it.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Simpson of Standish, tabled pending adoption and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Creation of the Maine Inland Fisheries and Game Acquisition Fund and the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$2,000,000 for the Financing Thereof" (H. P. 288) (Presented by Mr. Good of Westfield)

Resolve, Authorizing the Carrying Forward of Appropriation to Aid in Construction of Swimming Pool at Pineland Hospital and Training Center (H. P. 269) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Providing for Financing Operating Costs of Public Schools" (H. P. 279) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

County Government

Bill "An Act Creating Androscoggin County Commissioner Districts" (H. P. 271) (Presented by Mr. Cooney of Sabattus)

Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of County Officials of Hancock County" (H. P. 289) (Presented by Mr. Churchill of Orland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act Relating to High School Equivalency Certificates" (H. P. 272) (Presented by Mr. Goodwin of South Berwick)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Election Laws

Bill "An Act Relating to Obtaining Absentee Ballot When Voter Will Be Absent from the

Municipality" (H. P. 270) (Presented by Mr. Gahagan of Caribou)

Bill "An Act Relating to Accessible Polling Places for Persons with Physical Limitations" (H. P. 282) (Presented by Mr. Snowe of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Fisheries and Wildlife

Bill "An Act Relating to Wild Animals in Captivity" (H. P. 285) (Presented by Mr. Theriault of Rumford)

Resolve, Providing Funds for Repair of Cathance Lake Dam and Pleasant River Lake Dam, Washington County. (H. P. 287) (Presented by Mr. Mills of Eastport)

Bill "An Act Relating to Deer Doing Damage to Blueberry Lands" (H. P. 290) (Presented by Mr. Churchill of Orland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for Concurrence.

Health and Institutional Services

Bill "An Act Changing the Name of the State Board of Hairdressers to the State Board of Cosmetology" (H. P. 284) (Presented by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland)

Resolve, to Repeal Certain Special Resolve Pensions (H. P. 291) (Presented by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act Revising the Pauper Laws" (H. P. 275) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft)

Bill "An Act Relating to Freedom of Access to Meetings of Local Agencies" (H. P. 276) (Presented by Mr. McTeague of Brunswick)

Bill "An Act to Provide for Freedom of Information" (H. P. 8) (Presented by the same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Relating to Code of Ethics for Chiropractors" (H. P. 265) (Presented by Mr. Bunker of Gouldsboro)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Marine Resources

Bill "An Act Relating to the Cultivation of Coho Salmon" (H. P. 286) (Presented by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington) (EMERGENCY)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act Relating to Control of Outdoor Advertising" (H. P. 274) (Presented by Mr. Briggs of Caribou)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Converting Great Pond Plantation into the Town of Great Pond" (H. P. 266) (Presented by Mr. Bunker of Gouldsboro)

The Reference of Bills Committee suggested the Committee on State Government.

(On motion of Mr. Emery of Rockland, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.)

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act Repealing the Mountain Resorts Airport Authority Act" (H. P. 273) (Presented by Mr. Cooney of Sabattus)

The Reference of Bills Committee suggested the Committee on State Government.

(On motion of Mr. Shaw of Chelsea, tabled pending reference and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.)

State Government

Bill "An Act to Prevent Sex Discrimination under Human Rights Act" (H. P. 277) (Presented by Mrs. Goodwin of Bath)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act Establishing the Profession and Regulation of Soil Scientists in Maine" (H. P. 280) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake)

The Committee on Reference of Bills Suggested the Committee on State Government.

(On motion of Mr. Emery of Rockland, tabled pending reference and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.)

State Government (cont'd.)

Bill "An Act Relating to Vacation Leave for State Employees" (H. P. 283) (Presented by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act Relating to Age for Operation of Vehicles on Special Registration Permits" (H. P. 263) (Presented by Mr. Jackson of Yarmouth)

Bill "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Auxiliary Lights on Snow Plowing Vehicles" (H. P. 264) (Presented by the same gentleman)

Bill "An Act Relating to Display of Headlamps on Parked Vehicles" (H. P. 268) (Presented by Mr. Curran of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Veterans and Retirement

Bill "An Act Relating to Benefits for Widows of Forest Rangers" (H. P. 267) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Addison)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Consent Calendar

First Day

(L. D. 13) Mr. Gahagan from the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to Fingerprinting of School Children" (H. P. 13) reported Ought to Pass in New Draft under new title, "An Act Repealing the Law Providing for the Fingerprinting of School Children" (H. P. 296) (L. D. 324)

(L. D. 94) Mr. Dudley from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Resolve, to Reimburse Willard M. Judkins of Rangeley for Automobile Damage Due to Highway Construction (H. P. 81) reporting Ought to Pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-8).

No objection was noted.

Second Day

(L. D. 83) Bill "An Act Changing Name of Land Owners Association" (H. P. 70) "Ought to Pass"

No objection having been noted, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Tabled and Assigned

(L. D. 85) Bill "An Act Relating to Amount of Property Held by Empire Grove C a m p m e e t i n g Association" (H. P. 72) "Ought to Pass"

(On motion of Mr. Finemore of Bridgewater, tabled p e n d i n g acceptance of the C o m m i t t e e Report and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.)

(L. D. 108) Bill "An Act Creating a Second Assistant County Attorney for Kennebec County" (H. P. 88) "Ought to Pass"

(L. D. 110) Bill "An Act Relating to Procedure for Securing Specially Designed Motor Vehicle License Plates for State Officials" (H. P. 85) "Ought to Pass"

(L. D. 115) Bill "An Act Relating to Fees Received by the Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate" (H. P. 94) "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A"

(L. D. 131) Bill "An Act to Correct an Error in the Reorganization of the Department of Civil Defense and Public Safety" (H. P. 111) (Emergency) "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A"

No objection having been noted, the Bills were passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Authorizing Use of the Name Friends of Maine Medical Center" (S. P. 6) (L. D. 33)

Tabled — January 18, by Mr. Emery of Rockland.

Pending — Passage to be engrossed.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Changing Name of Dance, Incorporated" (S. P. 8) (L. D. 61)

Tabled — January 18, by Mr. Shute of Stockton Springs.

Pending — Passage to be engrossed.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Changing Name of Family Planning Association of the Pine Tree State, Inc." (S. P. 9) (L. D. 62)

Tabled — January 18, by Mr. Shaw of Chelsea.

Pending — Passage to be engrossed.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter:

Joint Resolution Memorializing The Honorable Winton M. Blount, Postmaster General and the United States Congress for Restoration of Maine Postal Service. (S. P. 83)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

Pending — Adoption.

On motion by Mr. Simpson of Standish, retabled pending adoption and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.

The Chair laid before the House the fifth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Providing for Mandatory Jail Sentences for Night Hunting" (H. P. 153) (L. D. 186)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Henley of Norway, retabled pending reference and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.

The Chair laid before the House the sixth tabled and today assigned matter:

Resolve, Authorizing Fred P. Haskell, or his Legal Representative, to Bring Civil Action Against State of Maine. (S. P. 77) (L. D. 194)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Henley of Norway, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the seventh tabled and today assigned matter:

Resolve, to Reimburse Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation of Bangor for Property Damage by Highway Maintenance. (H. P. 226)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Kelleher of Bangor, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the eighth tabled and today assigned matter:

Resolve, to Reimburse Mrs. Hilma Webster of Vinalhaven for Damage to Property by Highway Construction. (H. P. 247)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Ault of Wayne.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the ninth tabled and today assigned matter:

Resolve, to Reimburse William Fitzgerald of Madison for Well Damage by Highway Maintenance. (H. P. 254)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Ault of Wayne.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the tenth tabled and today assigned matter:

Resolve, to Reimburse Blain Crabtree of Cherryfield for Property Damage by Highway Construction. (H. P. 262)

Tabled — January 23, by Mr. Ault of Wayne.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bither of Houlton, the House reconsidered its action of earlier in the day whereby Bill "An Act Governing Disclosure of School Records" (S. P. 89) (L. D. 235) was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Bither.

Mr. BITHER: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this bill be referred to the Committee on Education in non-concurrence.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Henley of Norway, tabled pending reference and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 30.

Mrs. Knight of Scarborough presented the following Joint Resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has announced the successful negotiated conclusion of the Vietnam conflict; and

WHEREAS, the final agreement enabling return of prisoners and troops and establishing peace with honor will be signed on Saturday, January 27, 1973; and

WHEREAS, the People of Maine share with their fellow Americans a sense of profound and prayerful thanks that United States military involvement in Vietnam has been concluded in an honorable manner; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred Sixth Legislature of the State of Maine, now assembled, take this opportunity to commend the efforts of President Richard M. Nixon, Dr. Henry Kissinger and those in the service of our Federal Government who have successfully secured an honorable end to this conflict and, hopefully, the beginning of a generation of peace throughout the world; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution duly authenticated by the Secretary of State be transmitted forthwith by the Secretary of State to the President of the United States, the National Security Adviser to the President and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from the State of Maine. (H. P. 337)

The Joint Resolution was read and adopted and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith.

From the Senate: The following Joint Resolution: (S. P. 148)

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee began his brilliant career in journalism as a daily newspaper carrier boy in Portland, Maine; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee was the founder and first editor of the Deering High School News; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee began his now-talented news reporting as a Portland Press Herald reporter in 1941; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee served his County honorably in the Air Force during World War Two; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee began his Washington, D.C. reporting in 1946 and has continuously provided news coverage of Maine events and Maine people since that date; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee has been elected as both Secretary and Treasurer of the National Press Club; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee has served as the Secretary of the Standing Committee of Correspondents of the House and Senate galleries; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Larrabee on Sunday, February 4, 1973 will be installed as President of the National Press Club with all its attending recognition and responsibilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Senate and House of Representatives of the 106th Maine Legislature do hereby congratulate Donald R. Larrabee for the much deserved honor bestowed on him; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Senate and House of Representatives of the 106th Maine Legislature pay public tribute to this honorable Maine native for the honor and esteem he has brought to his native State; and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this Joint Resolution attested by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and duly authenticated by the Secretary of State and containing the Great Seal of the State of Maine, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to Donald R. Larrabee, President, National Press Club, prior to his official inaugural, Sunday, February 4, 1973.

Called from the Senate read and adopted.

In the House, the Joint Resolution was received out of order by unanimous consent, read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: You will note that there was an order this morning, a joint order with my name on it which went by without my presenting such order. It's very brief, it reads, "Joint sponsor with the approval of the Committee on Reference of Bills, a Bill or Resolve may be presented jointly by not more than one member from each House."

At the outset, I might state that it is my understanding that both parties plan caucuses after the session is over. It would be my hope that such an order would not be involved into partisan politics. I might state examples from now until tomorrow afternoon as to why I am putting this order in. One glaring example of it that I can recall, Mr. Speaker, is one that would involve you and I, concerning itself with the famous drug bill.

This measure was debated in the House, it passed by an overwhelming vote, around the area of 127 to 6 or 7. The members of the unmentionable body on the Judiciary Committee were opposed to it and it just didn't even get a

mention in the other branch. It just came back here dead and that was it.

The same measure was presented, but at the last session, I had an unofficial sponsor with me who helped me guide the bill through to its successful end, to a point, and I speak now about mandatory jail sentences on hard drugs, to a point where, believe it or not, and I refer you to the Criminal Division of the State of Maine, that anyone who will tell you that actually we do not have a serious problem or anywhere a serious problem outside of possibly one area and may be a minor matter in another area in the State concerning hard drugs in Maine.

I have had actually people tell me, who were in the traffic, that they had gone elsewhere. I could also mention to you the famous county attorney bill which came out of here under the hammer, overwhelmingly and, Mr. Speaker, you were Chairman of the Judiciary Committee at the time and then in the other branch a few words were snuck in, a smarty in here just picked it up and away we went without a decent piece of legislation.

I might state that I am fully, I am fully aware of the numerical problem that some of us might have within this body and I have often said that I am very appreciative of what the majority party does for me at least, by giving me a couple of checks, a nice comfortable chair and a warm room. I don't know how kind I would be if the situation was reversed. I am asking for no favors; I'm calling for good government.

I urge you, when you do discuss these problems in caucuses, and I know that you will, you will do it with an open mind. This order is absolutely not put in any way at all with an idea of partisan politics.

Another member of the unmentionable body who happens to be a very very close friend of mine has told me exactly what I could do with the order and what would happen to it, and I know exactly the reason why and you will know the reason why just

about one week before we adjourn, because I am going to be on my feet telling you I told you so. Because if we don't pass this order, if we don't set up such a thing as an Appropriations Calendar of our own with which we had when a very dear friend of mine from Lincoln County was in the Legislature and we were part of the Legislature, we may just as well go home at least when it comes time for the pie-cutting contest.

Mr. Brawn of Oakland was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. BRAUN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Many hearings are scheduled for tomorrow. I am wondering if the Speaker or who is in charge is going to notify the radio and television and news media for tomorrow and tonight so that they will know. Many of these people are not going to know that we are not going to be here tomorrow so they won't travel here from far distances to attend these hearings.

Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: To answer the gentleman's question. The newspapers today carried the fact that we would not be in session tomorrow and appropriate action has been taken by the Legislative Finance office to notify everyone so that people will not be coming here simply, obviously since we won't be in session tomorrow and will not be holding committee hearings. I don't think it will be a problem whatsoever. The hearings will be rescheduled, I believe if not this coming week, the week after.

Mr. Briggs of Caribou presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that Cathy Somers and Karen Chalout of Caribou be appointed Honorary Pages for today.

The Order was received out of order by unanimous consent, read and passed.

Mr. Simpson of Standish was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. SIMPSON: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Tomorrow we will be mourning the death of a great President of the United States and we will not be in session. Yesterday this body passed a Joint Resolution in commemoration of his death. And today we just adopted a Joint Resolution involving our peace settlement of a tragic conflict in Vietnam.

Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, under the suspension of the rules I would request that the sponsor of the Joint Resolution read the Resolution into the record and that when we adjourn that we stand in a moment of silence for a President, great past President, who fought for such a peace and a peace that we now have and a peace that we hope will last forever and a day.

Thereupon, under suspension of

the rules, Mrs. Knight of Scarborough read the Joint Resolution.

Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Regardless of party and regardless of position, all of us I think today appreciate the efforts that President Nixon has made and was successful in achieving peace in Vietnam. We only hope that that peace will be a continuing one and I for myself feel a little bit sorry that former President Johnson did not live long enough to see that peace.

The members stood for a moment of silence out of respect to past President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Thereupon, adjourned until Tuesday January 30, at ten o'clock in the morning.