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In Senate Chamber
Thursday
February 24, 1994

Senate called to Order by the President, Dennis L. Dutremble of York.

Prayer by the Honorable Pamela L. Cahill of Sagadahoc.

SENATOR PAMELA L. CAHILL: Thank you, I would like to read a poem this morning and I would like to dedicate it to speed skater Bonnie Blair. The poem is entitled "America for Me" by Henry Van Dyke.

Tis fine to see the Old World, and travel
up and down
Among the famous palaces and cities of renown,
To admire the crumbly castles and the statues
of the kings, -
But now I think I've had enough of
antiquated things.

So it's home again, and home again,
America for me!
My heart is turning home again, and there
I long to be,
In the land of youth and freedom beyond
the ocean bars,
Where the air is full of sunlight and the flag
is full of stars.

Dear Lord, thank you for your presence among us today. Please watch over our Olympic athletes as they compete on foreign soil and offer them safe passage home to America, where the air is full of sunlight and the flag is full of stars. Amen.

Reading of the Journal of Wednesday, February 23, 1994.

Off Record Remarks

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec, the following Joint Order:

S.P. 723

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they do so until Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at nine o'clock in the morning.

Which was **READ** and **PASSED**.

Under suspension of the Rules, ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, on motion by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec, the following Order:

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of both Branches in the Hall of the House at 10:15 in the morning, for the purpose of extending to the Honorable Daniel E. Wathen, Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, and Members of the Judiciary, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases the Chief Justice.

Which was **READ** and **PASSED**.

The Chair appointed the Senator from Kennebec, Senator **BUSTIN**, to deliver the message. The Sergeant-At-Arms escorted the Senator to the House of Representatives.

Subsequently, Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec reported she had delivered the message with which she was charged.

Off Record Remarks

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Display of Social Security Numbers on Insurance-related Identification Cards" (Emergency)

S.P. 573 L.D. 1617
(C "A" S-399)

In Senate, February 18, 1994, **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-399)**.

Comes from the House Bill and Accompanying Papers **INDEFINITELY POSTPONED** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**.

The Senate **INSISTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Create a Franchise Practices Act"
H.P. 1407 L.D. 1916

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Following Communication: S.P. 721

116TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 23, 1994

Senator Judy A. Paradis
Rep. Robert J. Tardy
Chairpersons
Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture
116th Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Chairs:

Please be advised that Governor John R. McKernan, Jr. has nominated Charmaine A. Brown of Monmouth for appointment and Richard H. Duncan of Presque Isle for reappointment to the Harness Racing Commission.

Pursuant to Title 8, MRSA Section 261-A, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,
S/Dennis L. Dutremble
President of the Senate

S/Dan A. Gwadosky
Speaker of the House

Which was **READ** and referred to the Committee on **AGRICULTURE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Following Communication: S.P. 722

116TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

February 23, 1994

Senator Ida Luther
Rep. Dorothy A. Rotondi
Chairpersons
Joint Standing Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife
116th Legislature
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Chairs:

Please be advised that Governor John R. McKernan, Jr. has nominated Stanley D. Milton of Andover for appointment and Gary F. Cobb of North New Portland and Carroll T. Cutting of East Sebago for reappointment to the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

Pursuant to Title 12, MRSA Section 7033-A, these nominations will require review by the Joint Standing Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

S/Dennis L. Dutremble
President of the Senate

S/Dan A. Gwadosky
Speaker of the House

Which was **READ** and referred to the Committee on **FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

SENATE PAPERS

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$10,000,000 to Expand and Improve the State's Distance Learning Infrastructure"
S.P. 717 L.D. 1939

Presented by Senator **AMERO** of Cumberland
(GOVERNOR'S BILL)
Cosponsored by Senator: **O'DEA** of Penobscot,
Representatives: MITCHELL of Vassalboro, NORTON
of Winthrop, SIMONDS of Cape Elizabeth, SMALL of
Bath

Bill "An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$10,299,667 to Improve the Academic Facilities of the University of Maine System"
S.P. 718 L.D. 1940

Presented by Senator **O'DEA** of Penobscot (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Senator **FOSTER** of Hancock, Representative **MITCHELL** of Vassalboro and Senators: **AMERO** of Cumberland, **O'DEA** of Penobscot, **PEARSON** of Penobscot, Representatives: **AULT** of Wayne, **CASHMAN** of Old Town, **CATHCART** of Orono, **DONNELLY** of Presque Isle, **MARTIN** of Eagle Lake, **MICHAUD** of East Millinocket, **MORRISON** of Bangor, **NORTON** of Winthrop, **OLIVER** of Portland, **PFEIFFER** of Brunswick, **PINETTE** of Fort Kent, **SIMONDS** of Cape Elizabeth, **SMALL** of Bath, **STEVENS** of Orono, **STROUT** of Corinth, **TARDY** of Palmyra

Bill "An Act to Make Additions to the Department of Corrections Budget" (Emergency) S.P. 719 L.D. 1941

Presented by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec Cosponsored by Senator: **KIEFFER** of Aroostook, Representatives: **BAILEY** of Township 27, **GEAN** of Alfred, **JOHNSON** of South Portland, **LARRIVEE** of Gorham, **MARSHALL** of Eliot, **MORRISON** of Bangor, **OLIVER** of Portland, **PFEIFFER** of Brunswick Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS & FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which were referred to the Committee on **APPROPRIATIONS & FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Permit Short-term Health Insurance Policies" S.P. 716 L.D. 1938

Presented by Senator **BUTLAND** of Cumberland (GOVERNOR'S BILL) Cosponsored by Senator: **KIEFFER** of Aroostook

Committee on **BANKING & INSURANCE** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **BANKING & INSURANCE** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Clarify and Make Technical Changes to Various Professional Licensing Board Laws" S.P. 720 L.D. 1942

Presented by Senator **CIANCHETTE** of Somerset (GOVERNOR'S BILL)

Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **BUSINESS LEGISLATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Sent down for concurrence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

House

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Joint Select Committee on **CORRECTIONS** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Community Correction Law" H.P. 1213 L.D. 1632

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-738)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-738)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-738) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Establish Mediation to More Efficiently and Fairly Enforce the State's Environmental Laws" H.P. 435 L.D. 554

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-745)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-745)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-745) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Correct an Error in the Sand Dune Laws" (Emergency)

H.P. 1260 L.D. 1687

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-744)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-744)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-744) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Classification of Part of the Presumpscot River and One of Its Tributaries"

H.P. 1289 L.D. 1737

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-746)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-746)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-746) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

At this point, a message was received from the House of Representatives borne by Representative JACQUES of Waterville informing the Senate that the House concurred in the proposition for a Joint Convention, to be held in the Hall of the House, at 10:15 a.m., for the purpose of extending to the Honorable Daniel E. Wathen, Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, and Members of the Judiciary, an invitation to attend the Convention and make such communication as pleases the Chief Justice.

The Committee on **LEGAL AFFAIRS** on Bill "An Act to Eliminate Seasonal Liquor Stores" (Emergency)

H.P. 738 L.D. 996

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-747)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-747) AS AMENDED BY HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-756)** thereto.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-747) **READ**.

House Amendment "A" (H-756) to Committee Amendment "A" (H-747) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-747) as Amended by House Amendment "A" (H-756) thereto, **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act to Change Statutory References to the Maine Teachers Association to the Maine Education Association"

H.P. 1288 L.D. 1736

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-742)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-742)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-742) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended, TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TAXATION** on Bill "An Act to Exempt Eye Banks from Sales Tax"

H.P. 1247 L.D. 1674

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-739)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-739)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-739) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws"

H.P. 1200 L.D. 1608

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-749)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-749)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-749) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act Concerning Business Directional Signs on Certain Controlled Access Highways"

H.P. 1205 L.D. 1613

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-748)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-748)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-748) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Bill "An Act to Promote Child Safety"

H.P. 1248 L.D. 1675

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-736)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Bill **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-736)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-736) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Bill as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

The Committee on **TRANSPORTATION** on Resolve, to Designate Route 196 through Lisbon in Memory of Staff Sergeant Thomas Field

H.P. 1317 L.D. 1779

Reported that the same **Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-743)**.

Comes from the House with the Report **READ** and **ACCEPTED** and the Resolve **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-743)**.

Which Report was **READ** and **ACCEPTED**, in concurrence.

The Resolve **READ ONCE**.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-743) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

The Resolve as **Amended**, **TOMORROW ASSIGNED FOR SECOND READING**.

SECOND READERS

The Committee on **Bills in the Second Reading** reported the following:

House

Bill "An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1994" (Emergency)

H.P. 1409 L.D. 1919

Which was **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

House As Amended

Bill "An Act to Ensure the Proper Installation of Manufactured Homes"

H.P. 342 L.D. 445
(C "A" H-728)

Bill "An Act to Conform Maine Income Tax Laws and Rules to the Internal Revenue Code"

H.P. 1081 L.D. 1447
(C "A" H-733)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Status of the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission"

H.P. 1196 L.D. 1604
(C "A" H-729)

Bill "An Act to Prohibit Dragging in Waters within the Area of an Aquacultural Lease"

H.P. 1204 L.D. 1612
(C "A" H-735)

Bill "An Act to Enhance Assessment and Collection Powers of the Boothbay Harbor Sewer District" (Emergency)

H.P. 1220 L.D. 1639
(C "A" H-732)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Brewer Water District"

H.P. 1257 L.D. 1684
(C "A" H-731)

Bill "An Act to Implement the Technical and Environmental Assistance Program"

H.P. 1264 L.D. 1691
(C "A" H-734)

Resolve, to Promote Consumer Choice and Quality Competition in Supported Living Arrangements

H.P. 1276 L.D. 1724
(C "A" H-724)

Which were **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, As Amended**, in concurrence.

Senate As Amended

Bill "An Act to Improve the Efficiency of Rate Processing by Consumer-owned Electric Utilities"
S.P. 559 L.D. 1595
(C "A" S-414)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Method for Calculating Inmate Good Time"

S.P. 597 L.D. 1656
(C "A" S-413)

Bill "An Act to Revise the Execution of Certain Mandatory Consecutive Sentences"

S.P. 608 L.D. 1706
(C "A" S-412)

Which were **READ A SECOND TIME** and **PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED, As Amended**.

Sent down for concurrence.

ENACTORS

The Committee on **Engrossed Bills** reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following:

Emergency Mandate

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Portland Water District

H.P. 1198 L.D. 1606
(C "A" H-715)

This being a Mandate and in accordance with the provisions of Section 21 of Article IX of the Constitution, and having received the affirmative vote of 24 Members of the Senate, with No Senators having voted in the negative, and 24 being two-thirds of the entire elected Membership of the Senate, was **PASSED TO BE ENACTED** and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Today Assigned matter.

Bill "An Act to Identify Laboratories Subject to the Laboratory Certification Program" (Emergency)
S.P. 481 L.D. 1479
(C "A" S-409)

Tabled - February 23, 1994, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending - **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED**

(In Senate, February 23, 1994, **READ A SECOND TIME.**)

On motion by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED.**

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Today Assigned matter:

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Providing for the Direct Election of the Treasurer of State (Governor's Bill)
S.P. 695 L.D. 1893

Tabled - February 23, 1994, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending - **REFERENCE**

(Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** suggested and **ORDERED PRINTED.**)

On motion by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending **REFERENCE.**

The Chair laid before the Senate the Tabled and Today Assigned matter:

JOINT RESOLUTION - relative to Memorializing the Honorable Representatives Olympia Snowe and Thomas Andrews to Become Cosponsors of House Report 3392, the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1993
H.P. 1408

Tabled - February 23, 1994, by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland.

Pending - Motion by same Senator to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE**

(In Senate, February 23, 1994, **READ.**)

(In House, February 18, 1994, **READ** and **ADOPTED.**)

On motion by Senator **BUSTIN** of Kennebec, Tabled 1 Legislative Day, pending motion by Senator **ESTY** of Cumberland to **INDEFINITELY POSTPONE** in **NON-CONCURRENCE.**

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Limit the Use of Force against Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Searches or Seizures" (Emergency)

H.P. 1420 L.D. 1934

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Which was referred to the Committee on **JUDICIARY** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

Bill "An Act to Promote Integrity in the Citizens Petition Process"

H.P. 1417 L.D. 1931

Bill "An Act to Reestablish a Mechanism for Review of Disputed Elections"

H.P. 1418 L.D. 1932

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Which were referred to the Committee on **LEGAL AFFAIRS** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

House Papers

RESOLUTION, Proposing An Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Provide for the Election of a Lieutenant Governor and to Provide for Succession to the Office of Governor

H.P. 1422 L.D. 1936

Come from the House referred to the Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED.**

Which were referred to the Committee on **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide Incentives for Businesses to Create Jobs in the State"

H.P. 1423 L.D. 1937

Comes from the House referred to the Committee on **TAXATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**.

Which was referred to the Committee on **TAXATION** and **ORDERED PRINTED**, in concurrence.

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Joint Resolution

The following Joint Resolution: H.P. 1424

JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INCORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HAMPDEN

WHEREAS, the Town of Hampden, Maine was incorporated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on February 24, 1794 and the town will celebrate its bicentennial on February 24, 1994; and

WHEREAS, the first person to settle in what is now Hampden, Maine was Benjamin Wheeler who canoed there from Durham, New Hampshire in 1767; and

WHEREAS, Benjamin Wheeler built a gristmill and sawmill on the Sowadabscook Stream and the area was then called Wheelersborough Plantation or Wheeler's Mills or Sowadabscook Plantation; and

WHEREAS, in 1774 a petition was sent to Boston to name the settlement Wheelersborough Plantation, the first settlement above the mouth of the Penobscot River from Fort Pownal, and in 1777 another petition was raised to name it Wheelersborough; and

WHEREAS, incorporation was passed on February 24, 1794 as the Town of Hampden; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hampden has been home to such Maine notables as Hannibal Hamlin, vice-president to Abraham Lincoln; Dorothea Dix, humorist and reformer; and Martin Kinsley, a Congressman involved in the debate of the Missouri Compromise of 1820; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the 116th Legislature of the State of Maine now assembled in the Second Regular Session join in the commemoration of the bicentennial celebration of the Town of Hampden and extend our best wishes for good health and continued success to the inhabitants; and be it further

RESOLVED: That suitable copies of this resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to the citizens and officials of this proud community in honor of the occasion.

Comes from the House **READ** and **ADOPTED**.

Which was **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.

Under suspension of the Rules, all matters thus acted upon were ordered sent down forthwith for concurrence.

Off Record Remarks

Senator **CAHILL** of Sagadahoc was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

Senate at Ease

Senate called to order by the President.

At this point, the Senate retired to the Hall of the House, where a Joint Convention was formed.

AFTER CONVENTION

IN SENATE

Senate called to order by the President.

Senator **CAHILL** of Sagadahoc was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate off the Record.

Off Record Remarks

The **ADJOURNMENT ORDER** having been returned from the House **READ** and **PASSED**, in concurrence, on motion by Senator **CAHILL** of Sagadahoc, **ADJOURNED** until Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at 9:00 in the morning.