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Assembly called to order at 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Bruce Henderson.

Fifty-five years ago we sang, "Monday, Monday, can't trust that day." Well, here we are, and it's Monday. But three thousand years ago, the Psalmist wrote, "This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Lord, we have much work before us. Please help us to see all the reasons to still have joy. We pray in Your precious and Holy Name.

AMEN.

Pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and the Speaker and Chief Clerk be authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

Motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was rereferred Assembly Bill No. 40, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Amend, and do pass as amended.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was rereferred Assembly Bill No. 189, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Amend, and do pass as amended.

MAGGIE CARLTON, *Chair*

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, May 21, 2021

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Assembly Bills Nos. 139, 143, 254, 258, 261, 278, 302, 304, 307, 316, 318, 325, 336, 344, 348, 360, 362, 378, 390, 397, 398, 409, 414, 421, 430, 435, 450, 452, 476; Assembly Joint Resolution No. 3.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate amended, and on this day passed, as amended, Assembly Bill No. 55, Amendment No. 551; Assembly Bill No. 327, Amendment No. 555; Assembly Bill No. 330, Amendment No. 621; Assembly Bill No. 333, Amendment No. 648; Assembly Bill No. 335, Amendment No. 649; Assembly Bill No. 342, Amendment No. 663; Assembly Bill No. 343, Amendment No. 585; Assembly Bill No. 345, Amendment No. 584; Assembly Bill No. 356, Amendment No. 591; Assembly Bill No. 359, Amendment No. 620; Assembly Bill No. 368, Amendment No. 615; Assembly Bill No. 374, Amendment No. 583; Assembly Bill No. 388, Amendment No. 560; Assembly Bill No. 391, Amendment No. 627; Assembly Bill No. 394, Amendment No. 662; Assembly Bill No. 396, Amendment No. 664; Assembly Bill No. 399, Amendment No. 668; Assembly Bill No. 405, Amendment No. 495; Assembly Bill No. 410, Amendment No. 650; Assembly Bill No. 412, Amendment No. 559; Assembly Bill No. 419, Amendment No. 513; Assembly Bill No. 436, Amendment No. 619, and respectfully requests your honorable body to concur in said amendments.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate amended, and on this day passed, as amended, Assembly Bill No. 211, Amendments Nos. 646, 747; Assembly Bill No. 222, Amendments Nos. 625, 733; Assembly Bill No. 287, Amendments Nos. 587, 729; Assembly Bill No. 366, Amendment No. 554; Assembly Bill No. 385, Amendment No. 719; Assembly Bill No. 400, Amendment No. 722; Assembly Bill No. 424, Amendment No. 738; Assembly Bill No. 440, Amendment No. 748; Assembly Bill No. 444, Amendments Nos. 558, 705, and respectfully requests your honorable body to concur in said amendments.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed, as amended, Senate Bill No. 22.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed, as amended, Senate Bills Nos. 40, 51, 69, 76, 93, 147, 211, 219, 236, 287, 297, 310, 340, 341, 356, 448.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day concurred in Assembly Amendment No. 598 to Senate Bill No. 6; Assembly Amendment No. 669 to Senate Bill No. 7; Assembly Amendment No. 599 to Senate Bill No. 45; Assembly Amendment No. 536 to Senate Bill No. 50; Assembly Amendment No. 548 to Senate Bill No. 54; Assembly Amendment No. 678 to Senate Bill No. 58; Assembly Amendment No. 718 to Senate Bill No. 439.

SHERRY RODRIGUEZ

Assistant Secretary of the Senate

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By Assemblymen Frierson, Benitez-Thompson and Titus:

Assembly Resolution No. 7—Adding former Deputy Research Director of the Research Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau Marsheilah D. Lyons to the Assembly Wall of Distinction.

WHEREAS, The Assembly of the Legislature of the State of Nevada has established an Assembly Wall of Distinction for those past members and staff selected by leadership who served with great distinction and who made exemplary contributions to the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Marsheilah D. Lyons was born in 1971 in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, to a military family that traveled the world before eventually settling in Algiers, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Marsheilah always possessed a love of learning and excelled academically, graduating at the top of her class from O. Perry Walker High School in New Orleans at the age of 16, and subsequently earning a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education and Human Services from Wayland Baptist University and a Master of Arts in Christian Education with an emphasis in Social Work from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Her family and career paths eventually led Marsheilah to northern Nevada where she pursued her calling to public service, working in various community relations and educational settings before accepting a position as Senior Research Analyst with the Research Division of the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau in August 2000; and

WHEREAS, While she served as the lead Committee Policy Analyst for many legislative committees, it was Marsheilah's long-standing contributions to health and human services-related

committees where she had the most profound impact, specifically the Assembly and Senate Committees on Health and Human Services, and numerous interim committees, including the Legislative Committee on Health Care; the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs; and the Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care; and

WHEREAS, She was well-known for her expertise in health care matters, capably advising legislators and colleagues in her thoughtful, impartial, yet convincing way and becoming a prominent state and national expert in the field through her involvement with the National Conference of State Legislatures and the Council of State Governments; and

WHEREAS, Marsheilah was noted for her outstanding management skills, emotional intelligence, political savvy, quick wit and, perhaps most importantly, her compassion for others, kindness and keen sense of justice, which contributed to her quick ascension through the ranks of the Research Division and her appointment as Deputy Research Director in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Despite her unmatched professional accomplishments, Marsheilah's most important role was that of wife to William, mother to daughter Marshay and son William III, mother-in-law to Quentin, grandmother to Zara, as a loving daughter, sister, aunt and friend, and dedicated servant to God and her church, the Greater New Hope Baptist Church in Reno, Nevada; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That for her dedicated service and unparalleled contributions to the Nevada Legislature and the State of Nevada as a whole, for the joy she brought to those around her, and for her endearing friendship to us all, former Deputy Research Director, Marsheilah D. Lyons, is hereby added to the Assembly Wall of Distinction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of former Deputy Research Director Marsheilah Lyons; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Assemblywomen Monroe-Moreno, Titus, and Mr. Speaker.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MONROE-MORENO:

My freshman year—we all get assigned a policy analyst—I got Marsheilah as my assignment. She had a presence that was just overwhelming. When I got to know her better she said, “Oftentimes I am assigned legislators who go on to become leaders. Sometimes they are leaders here in the legislative body, but sometimes they are leaders in other aspects of their lives. I see you being a leader,” she said. “So for that, I want you to know I will be praying for you. Even when you do not know I am, I will always be praying for you.”

She was a leader in this building, but as I got involved in national organizations, with CSG [Council of State Governments] and NCSL [National Conference of State Legislatures], I got to see Marsheilah being a leader on a national level, moving policy not just in this state, but nationwide.

I want you all to know that she cared about us. She was family. For her family, I want you to know that we love Marsheilah. You are our family. We will be here for you no matter what you need at any time of day or night because that is what Marsheilah was for us; she was always there for us.

This building is a lonelier place without having her in it. I will miss calling on her for legislative advice and personal life advice. She became my legislative mama. We love you; we will miss her, but we are here for you always.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:

I rise in passionate support of Assembly Resolution 7. Anybody who knew Marsheilah knew that she was dedicated, not only to this institution, but dedicated to her family, and most of all dedicated to her faith. She touched all of us who knew her even in a casual way. Just last week I was giving testimony on one of my bills that had sat in Ways and Means for awhile; the original hearing was several months ago. I opened up my folder on that bill and the opening remarks had been written by Marsheilah.

She will be with us forever. I still have a picture of the day your little baby was born, her little granddaughter. She sent me that picture and I sent her pictures of my grandchildren. I will keep it forever. She is in my heart. She is in the heart of everyone she touched.

She has changed a lot of this building, and we should all aspire to be even a fraction as good a Marsheilah.

MR. SPEAKER:

I will take a point of personal privilege. I really appreciated the family allowing us to be a part of her celebration of life. That is what this is. I was not joking when I mentioned at her celebration of life that for me and for many of us, Marsheilah was the meeting after the meeting. Marsheilah was the one that gave me a look that something was not happening right. I knew I had to meet with Marsheilah. As I stated earlier, Assemblywoman Carlton's life passion had been making sure we took care of health care and in particular surprise billing. That was Assemblywoman Carlton's life long passion, but that was what Marsheilah got done for us. She gave me that look and I knew I had to get this right.

We certainly appreciate your lending her to us for a little while. I was looking at my phone and I turned 40-11—I am going to stay in my forties as long as I can—I turned 40-11 on March 19. Marsheilah was going through her own things on March 19, and she found room to pray for me. That is who she was. She is the first of many African Americans in the things she has done and the leadership that she has shown nationally. To have her on that wall says such a big thing about what she meant to this institution.

I thank you all for your support.

Resolution adopted.

Mr. Speaker announced if there were no objections, the Assembly would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Assembly in recess at 12:38 p.m.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION

At 6:09 p.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Quorum present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Commerce and Labor, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 295, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SANDRA JAUREGUI, *Chair*

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, May 24, 2021

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Senate Bills Nos. 417, 453.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed, as amended, Senate Bill No. 424.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day concurred in Assembly Amendment No. 579 to Senate Bill No. 102; Assembly Amendment No. 635 to Senate Bill No. 184.

SHERRY RODRIGUEZ
Assistant Secretary of the Senate

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

WAIVER OF JOINT STANDING RULES

A Waiver requested by: Senator Cannizzaro.

For: Assembly Bill No. 67.

To Waive:

Subsection 4 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of 2nd house by 110th day).

Has been granted effective: May 21, 2021.

SENATOR NICOLE J. CANNIZZARO
Senate Majority Leader

ASSEMBLYMAN JASON FRIERSON
Speaker of the Assembly

Mr. Speaker put a question to the body.

Does Assemblywoman Black's request for permission to participate in committee and floor meetings via remote technology, and her agreement to participate remotely, wear a mask, or otherwise comply with the CDC recommendations, satisfy her violation of Assembly Standing Rule No. 150?

YEAS—41.

NAYS—None.

ABSENT—Black.

Pursuant to Assembly Standing Rule No. 124, the Speaker authorized Assemblywoman Black to use remote-technology systems to attend, participate, vote, and take any other action in the proceedings of the Assembly.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 487—AN ACT relating to state financial administration; suspending certain required transfers from the State General Fund to the Account to Stabilize the Operation of the State Government during the 2021-2023 biennium; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 22.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 40.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 51.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 69.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 76.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 93.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 147.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 211.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 219.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 236.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 287.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 297.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 310.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 340.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 341.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 356.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 448.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 417.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 424.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 453.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

Mr. Speaker announced if there were no objections, the Assembly would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Assembly in recess at 6:27 p.m.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION

At 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Quorum present.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 488—AN ACT relating to the Department of Motor Vehicles; reenacting and extending the imposition of a technology fee on certain transactions by the Department; providing for ratification of certain actions and retroactive application; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the Speaker and Chief Clerk signed Assembly Bills Nos. 87, 89, 91, 95, 97, 100, 101, 102, 103, 107, 109, 111, 112, 113, 130, 136, 140, 141, 145, 166, 169, 178, 184, 187, 190, 194, 197, 205, 210, 212, 215, 228, 231, 235, 236, 245, 249; Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 6; Senate Bills Nos. 6, 7, 31, 33, 36, 37, 38, 43, 45, 46, 47, 50, 54, 58, 59, 60, 61, 63, 66, 72, 82, 98, 114, 125, 127, 160, 181, 439, 444; Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that Assembly Bills Nos. 40 and 189; Senate Bill No. 295 be taken from the General File and placed on the General File for the next legislative day.

Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the Assembly adjourn until Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at 12 noon.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Approved:

JASON FRIERSON
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG
Chief Clerk of the Assembly