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CARSON CITY (Thursday), April 27, 2023

Assembly called to order at 11:42 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Elder Thomas Mason.

Today's prayer was sung in the Sho-Pai, Shoshone-Paiute language.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Jauregui 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 Commerce and Labor, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 132, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation:

Do pass.

ELAINE MARZOLA, *Chair*

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 466—AN ACT relating to behavioral health; revising provisions governing the imposition of a surcharge on certain communications services to support a suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis hotline; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Peters moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, April 27, 2023

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

SHERRY L. RODRIGUEZ
Assistant Secretary of the Senate

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

Assemblywoman Cohen moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Cohen.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN COHEN:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 3 memorializes Ben Graham.

The concurrent resolution details Ben Graham's amazing career in public service, particularly cofounding Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers and working to improve the judicial system in our state. I am not going to repeat the resolution, but I will briefly mention the Graham family and the way they have opened their home multiple times per year, year after year, whether it was hosting Southern Nevada Association of Women Attorneys or parties for the Clark County District Attorney's Office. Ben led a brigade—and I do mean a brigade—to make a full holiday meal multiple times per year for the community. The Grahams used those gatherings as an opportunity to host food drives for different organizations. They would have hundreds of people per night in their home—again, multiple times per year. They are a wonderful family. Ben was a wonderful person. I am so proud to know them and to have known Ben. I am so proud to know Elana and to have been her first extern when she was the chief of child support for the District Attorney's Office.

With that, I would like to introduce members to the Graham family: Ben's wife, Elana T. Graham; the Honorable Elana Lee Graham; Turner Graham; Luana Graham-Abrao; John McCormick; and Seth T. Floyd. I know the family is happy to be here, and we are very happy to have them here. Please make the family feel welcome.

Mr. Speaker requested the privilege of the Chair for the purpose of making the following remarks:

I want to welcome the family here. Ben Graham was one of the first people I encountered as a lobbyist in this building back in 2013. I do not know anyone who knew more about the criminal code and the history of the criminal code than he did. I remember asking him questions—Why do we do it this way? He would put his arm around me and say, Come with me, young man. I will tell you about how we figured this out. He would tell me stories from 20 or 30 years ago, being in the Woodshed working on these things.

He has been such an inspiration to me. What I am really going to miss is being in the middle of a committee hearing and getting a text message that would invariably be from Ben Graham. He would say, Hey, just a suggestion, or, I do not know if you knew this—these little nuggets of wisdom that came from Ben Graham. I think he certainly made this body function better. He certainly made laws better in this state. I am certainly going to miss him.

I am really happy you all are here today and carrying on the tradition of Ben Graham's famous cookies. I am not going to disclose how many of those I have had so far today, but it is probably too many. Thank you so much for being here. I appreciate it.

Resolution adopted.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

April 27, 2023

The Fiscal Analysis Division, pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6, has determined the eligibility for exemption of Senate Bill No. 427.

SARAH COFFMAN
Fiscal Analysis Division

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF ASSEMBLY FLOOR

On request of Assemblywoman Natha Anderson, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to the following students, teachers, and chaperones from the Alpine Academy: Anessalynn Meraz, Bailey Cornell-Cape, Faith Weaver, Jason Head, Jessica Anderson, Kaylee Hunter, Lily Smith, Maddie Wolfe, Matthew Cron, Michael Uhrik, Rowen Garcia, Soleil Burke, and William Gilmore.

On request of Assemblywoman Lesley Cohen, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Elana T. Graham, Elana Lee Graham, Turner Graham, Luana Graham-Abrao, John McCormick, and Seth T. Floyd.

On request of Assemblyman Reuben D'Silva, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Lawrence Weekly.

On request of Assemblywoman Selena La Rue Hatch, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Becky Linda Arevalos-Mendoza, and Zaira Diaz.

On request of Assemblyman Richard McArthur, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Regina Suwono.

On request of Assemblywoman Erica Mosca, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Liridian Gamboa Sanchez.

On request of Assemblywoman Selena Torres, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Aryam Mongem and Osvaldo Jimenez-Estupinan.

On request of Assemblyman Howard Watts, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Leslie Mix, Jazmyne Hall, and Oscar Lopez.

On request of Assemblyman Steve Yeager, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Stella Kalaoram.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the Assembly adjourn until Monday, May 1, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Approved:

STEVE YEAGER
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG
Chief Clerk of the Assembly