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PROCEEDINGS

NINTH DAY — WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2011

The house met at 10 a.m. and, at the request of the speaker, was called to order by Representative Bonnen.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 32).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Aliseda; Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Aycock; Beck; Berman; Bohac; Bonnen; Branch; Brown; Burkett; Burnam; Button; Cain; Callegari; Carter; Castro; Chisum; Christian; Coleman; Cook; Craddick; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dutton; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; Farias; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frullo; Gallego; Garza; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales, L.; Gonzales, V.; Gonzalez; Gooden; Guillen; Gutierrez; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hernandez Luna; Hilderbran; Hochberg; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Jackson; Johnson; Keffer; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Kleinschmidt; Kolkhorst; Kuempel; Landtroop; Larson; Laubenberg; Lavender; Legler; Lewis; Lozano; Lucio; Lyne; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Margo; Marquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Menendez; Miles; Miller, S.; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Naishtat; Nash; Oliveira; Orr; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Perry; Phillips; Pickett; Pitts; Price; Quintanilla; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Ritter; Rodriguez; Schwertner; Scott; Sheets; Sheffield; Shelton; Simpson; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solomons; Strama; Taylor, L.; Taylor, V.; Thompson; Truitt; Turner; Veasey; Villarreal; Vo; Walle; Weber; White; Woolley; Workman: Zedler: Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Miller, D.; Smith, T.; Torres.

The invocation was offered by Bobby Gene Land, Sr., pastor, New Baptist Evangelistic Church, Tyler, as follows:

Our Father in heaven, I come humbly to you in prayer today, and as I pray, will you please forgive my sins? Not only my sins, but for each person here, that this prayer may have free passage to you. God, I pray for the families of every man and woman here who has left their husband, wife, and children, that they, through your power, may give themselves as servants here in the Texas State Capitol. Dear God, they have left their own house of relatives to serve in the Texas House of Representatives. Lord, I beg you, be with them. Guide and lead them through every situation as they do business this session. God, I pray for each congressman and congresswoman; I pray for each committee and committeeperson.

Our Father in heaven, I pray for each district representative. Dear Lord, I pray for the Texas house speaker, the attorney general of this great state, the state comptroller, and our governor of Texas. O God, I pray for the secretaries, the house sergeant, and everyone that is involved here. I pray for the city of Austin and for Texas, the United States, the president, all officers involved, and all of our armed service men and women. Now God, as I close this prayer, I pray that this session will not close without a person being saved. And God, if there be any by your power, save their souls now. Our Father, I thank you for the life, death, burial, and resurrection of your son for the sins of the world. God, I pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

The chair recognized Representative Workman who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today and tomorrow because of important business in the district:

T. Smith on motion of Patrick.

The following member was granted leave of absence temporarily for today because of illness:

Torres on motion of Raymond.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The chair recognized Representative Burnam who presented Dr. Joane Baumer of Fort Worth as the "Doctor for the Day."

The house welcomed Dr. Baumer and thanked her for her participation in the Physician of the Day Program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

(Speaker in the chair)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The speaker recognized Representative Patrick who introduced a delegation from Arlington.

HR 145 - ADOPTED (by Patrick)

Representative Patrick moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 145**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 145, Honoring the Texas Rangers for winning the 2010 American League Championship and making their first World Series appearance.

HR 145 was read and was adopted.

On motion of Representative Driver, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 145** as signers thereof.

(Torres now present)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The speaker recognized Representative Patrick who introduced Nolan Ryan, Chuck Greenberg, and Ron Washington.

(Cook in the chair)

HR 164 - ADOPTED (by Crownover)

Representative Crownover moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 164**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 164, Recognizing January 2011 as Communities In Schools Month and January 26, 2011, as Communities In Schools Day at the State Capitol.

HR 164 was read and was adopted.

On motion of Representative Dutton, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 164** as signers thereof.

HR 129 - ADOPTED (by S. King)

Representative S. King moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 129**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 129, Recognizing January 23-29, 2011, as Nurse Anesthetists Week in Texas.

HR 129 was read and was adopted.

HR 195 - ADOPTED (by Isaac)

Representative Isaac moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 195**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 195, Honoring Lisa Benford for her exemplary service to the people of the Lone Star State on the occasion of her retirement from the Texas Legislative Council.

HR 195 was read and was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The chair recognized Representative Isaac who introduced Lisa Benford.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Representative Hunter moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 33** and **HR 202**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolutions were laid before the house:

HR 33 (by Brown), Congratulating members of the Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership XII class on their selection for participation in the program.

HR 202 (by Zerwas), Recognizing January 26, 2011, as Texas Healthcare Information Technology Day, commending participants at the Texas Healthcare Information Technology Forum, and honoring individuals responsible for the adoption of healthcare information technology throughout the state.

The resolutions were adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The chair recognized Representative Raymond who introduced Raul G. Salinas, mayor of Laredo.

HR 198 - ADOPTED (by Truitt)

Representative Truitt moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 198**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 198, Congratulating Tommy Hardy on his retirement as assistant city manager of Grapevine.

HR 198 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Truitt, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 198** as signers thereof.

HR 200 - ADOPTED (by Truitt)

Representative Truitt moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 200**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 200, Congratulating Judge Brad Bradley on receiving the 2010 Community Impact Award from Southlake Style magazine.

HR 200 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Truitt, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 200** as signers thereof.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for the remainder of today because of important business in the district:

Castro on motion of Vo.

HR 205 - ADOPTED (by Bonnen)

Representative Bonnen moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 205**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 205, Honoring the Angleton Area Emergency Medical Corps on its 30th anniversary.

HR 205 was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Huberty moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:02 a.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.