(The House of Representatives was called to order at 10 o'clock a.m., Representative Aresimowicz of the 30th District in the Chair.)

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Will the House please come to order? Will the members, staff and guests please rise, direct your attention to the dais where Imam Refai Arefin will lead us in prayer.

DEPUTY CHAPLAIN IMAM REFAI AREFIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let us pray. Dear God - benevolent, compassionate and gracious; abundant in loving kindness and truth. Guide our Representatives in this special session to create space where healthy debate is encouraged and the dignity and autonomy of all human beings is respected and appreciated. As these last few matters are wrapped up, we are reminded that with
every ending comes a great beginning of another
chapter, and that how we end matters more than how
we begin. We ask from the one God that he give us
wisdom to make the right decisions, persistence to
support them and radiance that will win others to
work with us. Amen.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Thank you. Would Representative Allie-Brennan
come to the dais and lead us in the Pledge of
Allegiance?

REP. ALLIE-BRENNAN (2ND):

(All) I pledge allegiance to the flag of the
United States of America and to the Republic for
which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.

CLERK:

Good morning, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Good morning, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:

Mr. Speaker, I have the Call of the Session.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):
Will you please read the call, sir?

CLERK:

RECONVENING THE 2019 REGULAR SESSION
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Whereas the regular session of the 2019 General Assembly adjourned on June 5, 2019 in accordance with the Constitution of Connecticut; and whereas the Governor has disapproved bills passed by the regular session of the 2019 General Assembly, and has transmitted same to the Secretary of the State with his objections; and whereas said bills were not reconsidered by the General Assembly or were so disapproved by the Governor after said adjournment; now therefore as required by Article Third of the Amendments to the Constitution of Connecticut, I hereby call the 2019 General Assembly to reconvene in session at Hartford on July 22, 2019 at 10 o’clock in the morning, for a period not to exceed three days following such reconvening for the sole purpose of reconsidering and if the General Assembly so desires, repassing said bills. Given under my hand and Seal of the State at the City of
Hartford, this 16th day of July 2019. Denise W. Merrill, Secretary of the State.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Thank you very much, Mr. Clerk. I order that be printed in the Journal. Is there anything else, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK:

Communications from the Secretary of State,
Governor's veto messages.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Representative Ritter of the 1st district, sir you have the floor.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, I move that the reading of the veto messages be waived, may be ordered to be printed in the Journal.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

So ordered.

CLERK:

And the last piece is the Daily Calendar.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):
Thank you very much, Mr. Clerk. Will the Clerk please call House Resolution 101?

CLERK:

House Resolution No. 101. RESOLUTION


SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Representative Ritter of the 1st district, sir you have the floor.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, these are just our normal House Rules for the Special Session and I move adoption.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Question before the Chamber is on adoption of the Resolution. Will you remark? Will you remark? If not, I will try your minds. All those in favor please signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):
Those opposed nay. The ayes have it. The Resolution is adopted. Are there any announcements or introductions? Announcements or introductions? Seeing none, oh, Representative Kennedy of the 119th, madam you have the floor.

REP. KENNEDY (119TH):

Good morning, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Good morning.

REP. KENNEDY (119TH):

Enjoying your summer cause I lost my guest. (Laughing) Good morning, Mr. Speaker. It's my honor to have visiting from the great town of Orange, Dominic Lombardi. He is a history buff and a politics guru and he grew up in the town of Orange, attended Amity Schools and is now attending the VoAg Center in Trumbull. So I welcome him and his friend, Warren Muddrick and welcome them to spend the day with us. Please give them a warm welcome; I appreciate it.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):
Yeah. Will you give a warm welcome to the Chamber? (Applause)

REP. KENNEDY (119TH):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER ARESIMOWICZ (30TH):

Thank you for coming. (Applause) Are there any other announcements or introductions? Seeing none the Chamber will stand at ease. (Gavel)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

(Gavel) The House will come back to order.

Mr. Clerk, I believe you have Senate Joint Resolution 51. Would you call that please?

CLERK:


DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Representative Ritter, what's your pleasure?

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):
Question is on adoption. Will you remark? If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor signify by saying Aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Opposed nay. The ayes have it. The Resolution is adopted. (Gavel)

Mr. Clerk, Senate Joint Resolution 52.

CLERK:


DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Representative Ritter.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, the Resolution is self-explanatory and I urge adoption. Thank you.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):
Question is on adoption. Is there any discussion? If not, let me try your minds. All in favor signify by saying aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Opposed nay. The ayes have it. (Gavel) The Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, 53.

CLERK:


DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Representative Ritter.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Question is on adoption. Will you remark further? If not, let me try your minds. All those in favor signify by saying aye.
Representatives:

Aye.

Deputy Speaker Godfrey (11th):

Opposed nay. The ayes have it. The Resolution is adopted. (Gavel) Mr. Clerk, Senate -- Senate Resolution 54.

Clerk:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 54, Resolution Convening the General Assembly in Special Session introduced by Senator Looney, Senator Duff, Representative Aresimowicz and Representative Ritter.

Deputy Speaker Godfrey (11th):

Representative Ritter.

Rep. Ritter (1st):

Mr. Speaker, I'll put a little more meat on the bone for this one. We are now calling ourselves in this special session for two purposes. One is to vote on conveyances again under our -- we have to go individual conveyance by conveyance. The conveyances that we are voting on we have already voted on in the House. They were not taken up by
the Senate in the regular sessions, so we've already seen these conveyance; we have to revote on those.

The other part of this Call is the Construction Bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I urge adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Question is adoption. Will you remark? Will you remark? If not, staff and guests please come to the well of the House, members take your seats. The machine will be open. (Ringing)

CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber. The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Have all the members voted? Have all the members voted? If all the members have voted, the machine will be locked and the Clerk will take a tally. And the Clerk will announce the tally.

CLERK:

Senate Joint Resolution 54 in concurrence with the Senate.
Total Number Voting 125
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Those voting Nay 0
Those absent and not voting 26

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

The Resolution is adopted in concurrence with the Senate. (Gavel) Representative Ritter.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, I make a motion that we recess the veto session.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Question is on recessing the veto session subject to the call of the Chair. Any objection? If not, we stand in recess subject to call of the Chair. (Gavel) We're just going to pause here for a second to let the computer system catch up with us.

(On motion of Representative Ritter of the 1st District, the House recessed at 11:24 o’clock a.m., to reconvene at the Call of the Chair).
(The House reconvened at 1:07 o’clock p.m., Deputy Speaker Cook in the Chair).

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

All right ladies and gentleman I'm going to reconvene the veto session. Are there any announcements or introductions? Representative Boyd.

REP. BOYD (50TH):

Good morning, Mr. Speaker. I rise for the purpose of an introduction.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Proceed sir.

REP. BOYD (50TH):

Mr. Speaker, I have with me today, Ben. Ben is a 6th grader from the Brooklyn Middle School who thought coming to a veto session and special session was the coolest thing to do on a hot day and he's here -- and he's also just not somebody who is here all the time. His -- his Aunt Maureen is here on a regular basis as well so, if we could all welcome
Ben to the House Chamber as he watches what we do.

Thank you.  (Applause)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Welcome Ben, and I hope you enjoy our air conditioning among other things. Thank you.

Representative Vail.

REP. VAIL (52ND):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If I can also rise for purposes of an introduction.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Proceed.

REP. VAIL (52ND):

I have with me today my youngest daughter, Vivian. She chose to come here today over her gymnastics camp. I don't know how she's feeling about that decision now but if we could just give her a warm welcome I'd greatly appreciate it. Thank you.  (Applause)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Welcome, welcome. I -- I'm -- is the -- was the gym -- gymnastics indoors or outdoors?
(Laughing) Oh, okay. Enjoy yourself today.

Representative Carney.

REP. CARNEY (23RD):

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I just rise for the purpose of an introduction.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Proceed.

REP. CARNEY (23RD):

With me today is a great young lady name Hope Lanet from Westbrook. She is a -- going to be a senior at Hopkins High School and she's up here doing some research shadowing Representative Cummings and I hope she likes it and maybe someday she'll decide to run for the 23rd district. She would be a great addition to the House, so let's give her a warm welcome. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. (Applause)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

And welcome. I hope you learn a few things today. Representative Camillo.

REP. CAMILLO (151ST):
Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good morning. I rise for purpose of an introduction.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Proceed.

REP. CAMILLO (151ST):

First I'd like to introduce to my immediate right a good friend of mine from Greenwich whose name is Granit Bolidemide and he is heavily involved in Greenwich civic endeavors and wanted to come up here and just take a look around and see what the -- what we do up here and so far he's impressed, if we can keep it that way. So a nice, warm applause for Granit first and then we'll get to the second one. (Applause)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Welcome. You're in good hands.

REP. CAMILLO (151ST):

Thank you. Last but not least, someone you may have seen around the state of Connecticut, often the last past several months, a good friend of ours from Greenwich who has lead the movement against the tolls. Please welcome Hillary Gunn. (Applause)
DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Welcome to the Chamber. Representative Gresko.

REP. GRESKO (121ST):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For the purposes of an introduction.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Proceed.

REP. GRESKO (121ST):

Mr. Speaker, in the well we have two winners of the Secretary of State's essay contest, most recent winners of the essay contest; Marciel Valle is from the 121st district and also Romaya Lawrence is from the city of Bridgeport and I must say the topic of their winning essays was and is why women should be more involved and get more involved in government so if we can give them our nice warm welcome and congratulations. (Applause)

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Congratulations. Nicely done. The Chair will take the opportunity to note the presence of the Secretary of the State, Denise Merrill here in the Chamber with the award winners. Welcome. And are
there any further introductions? If not -- no, Representative Ritter.

REP. RITTER (1ST):

Yeah, I do have one quick announcement to make. On Saturday, July 27, 2019 if he's looking for a way to remember his anniversary date, that was Rodney Hanson's number with the New York Giants, Ron Napoli is getting married. Can we give him a warm welcome and introduction? (Applause) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Thank you, sir. Any further introductions or announcements? If not, we'll proceed to our work. I believe the Clerk is procession of House Joint Resolution No. 204.

CLERK:

House Joint Resolution No. 204, RESOLUTION CONVENING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN SPECIAL SESSION introduced by Representative Aresimowicz, Representative Ritter, Senator Looney, Senator Duff.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Representative Ritter.
REP. RITTER (1ST):

Mr. Speaker, this is to call ourselves into another special session which would be for purpose of considering and acting bills concerning workforce training needs, revisions to and regulation of gratuities permitted or applied as part of the minimum fair wage and evidence of good faith, believed that underpayment wages for less than minimum wage is lawful. Urge adoption.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Question is adoption. For those of you who are following, we will call this the July 22nd special session to differentiate it from the other ones today. Will you remark further? Will you remark further? If not, staff and guests please come to the well of the House, members take their seats, the machine will be open. (Ringing)

CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber. The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber.
DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Have all the members voted? Have all the members voted? If all the members have voted the machine will be locked. The Clerk will take a tally. And the Clerk will announce the tally.

CLERK:

House Joint Resolution 204.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

The Resolution is adopted. (Gavel)

Representative Currey.

REP. CURREY (11TH):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that we recess subject to the call of the Chair.

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Question is on recessing subject to the call of the Chair. Is there objection? Hearing none, the
House stands in recess subject to the call of the Chair. (Gavel)

For members wondering what's going to happen next we're just -- we're waiting on the Senate for some bills so your guess is as good as mine as how long that will take. We'll let you know. Yeah, have lunch. (Laughing)

(On motion of Representative Currey of the 11th District, the House recessed at 11:51 o'clock a.m., to reconvene at the Call of the Chair).

(The House reconvened at 1:48 o'clock, Deputy Speaker Robert Godfrey in the Chair).

DEPUTY SPEAKER GODFREY (11TH):

Ladies and gentleman we're now going to return to the special session that's in recess, which is the Veto Session. (Gavel) So let me reconvene the Veto Session. Representative Currey.

REP. CURREY (11TH):

I move that we adjourn the Veto Session sine
die.

(On motion of Representative Currey of the 11th District, the House adjourned at 1:49 o’clock p.m., sine die).
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