The Senate was called to order at 10:56 o’clock a.m., the President in the Chair.

THE CHAIR:

Well, good morning everyone. It’s so nice to see everyone and be here in this very cool place. Would the Senate please come to order and members and guests, would you please rise and direct your attention to Chaplain Reverend Benita Toussaint who will lead us in prayer.

ACTING CHAPLAIN BENITA TOUSSAINT:

Good day, Honorable Senators, Lieutenant Governor, all staff, and all visiting members of the public. May we bow our heads in reverence to the opening prayer.

May the work that we do benefit all those that we serve and the people will say Amen.

THE CHAIR:

And Senator Champagne, if you would be so kind as to lead us in the Pledge.
SENATOR CHAMPAGNE (35TH):

[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.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you so much, Senator, and good morning, Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Good morning, Madam President. Madam President, does the Clerk have any business on his desk?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:

The Clerk is in possession of Senate Agenda No. 1, dated Monday, July 22, 2019.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. I move all items on Senate Agenda No. 1, dated July 22, 2019, be acted upon as indicated and that the agenda be incorporated by reference into the Senate journal and the Senate transcript.
THE CHAIR:

So noted and so ordered.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, would the Clerk please call Senate Resolution No. 51.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:

Senate Resolution No. 51, resolution concerning the rules of the Senate for the reconvened session of the 2019 General Assembly.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, these are our standard rules for the session. I would move adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you, and please let us try our minds. All in favor of the rules being adopted, please signify by saying aye.

SENATORS:
Aye.

THE CHAIR:

Opposed? The motion is adopted and the rules are adopted. Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, is the Clerk in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 51?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:

The Clerk is in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 51.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Will the Clerk please call the resolution?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:
Senator Joint Resolution No. 51, resolution concerning the joint rules of the reconvened session of the 2019 General Assembly.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Duff -- Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I move adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. All in favor of adoption of the resolution please signify by saying aye.

SENATORS:

Aye.

THE CHAIR:

Opposed? Resolution is adopted.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, is the Clerk in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 52?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.
The Clerk is in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 52, resolution concerning the expenses of the reconvened session of the 2019 General Assembly.

Thank you, Madam President. I move adoption.

Thank you. All in favor of adopting the resolution please signify by saying aye.

Aye.

Opposed? The resolution is adopted. Senator Duff.

Thank you, Madam President. Is the Clerk in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 53?

Mr. Clerk.
Senate Joint Resolution No. 53, the resolution concerning the printing of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives for the reconvened session of the 2019 General Assembly.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. I move adoption.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. All in favor of adoption of the resolution please signify by saying aye.

SENATORS:

Aye.

THE CHAIR:


SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Is the Clerk in possession of Senate Joint Resolution No. 54?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.
CLERK:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 54, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I move adoption of the resolution.

THE CHAIR:

All in favor of adoption of the resolution --

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Hold on, I’m sorry, I’m sorry. Madam President?

THE CHAIR:

Yes?

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Oh, yes. Madam President, can we stand at ease for a moment?

THE CHAIR:

The Senate will stand at ease.
SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Thanks to the Clerk’s office for correcting the board. We do actually need a roll call vote for this resolution as a resolution. This is the resolution convening the General Assembly and the Special Session on school construction and on the conveyances.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you, Senator, and we will open the machine and Mr. Clerk, if you would please call the roll call vote.

CLERK:

Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate for Senate Joint Resolution No. 54, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate for Senate Joint Resolution No. 54, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session. Immediate roll call vote in the Senate.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk, would you please announce the tally one more time. Okay, sorry. Would you please announce the vote on more time just in case we have any Senators who were in the vicinity who have not voted.
Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate on Senate Joint Resolution No. 54, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate, Joint Resolution No. 54.

Have all the Senators voted? Have all the Senators voted? The machine will be closed. Mr. Clerk, kindly announce the tally.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 54.

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Resolution is adopted. Senator Duff.

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, will the Senate stand at ease for a moment, please?

The Senate will stand at ease.

THE CHAIR:
Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I move that we recess our veto session subject -- and reconvene subject to the call of the Chair.

Thank you, sir.

Thank you, Madam President.

And with that, all in favor please signify by saying aye.

Aye.

Opposed? So moved.

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate 11:26 a.m. recessed.

The Senate reconvened at 11:58 a.m., the President in the Chair.
THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, we need to reconvene the veto session, please.

THE CHAIR:

And so we will reconvene, sir.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Is the Clerk in possession of Senate Agenda No. 2?

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Of the veto session.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk?

CLERK:

The Clerk’s in possession of Senate Agenda No. 2, dated Monday, July 22, 2019.

THE CHAIR:
Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. I move all items on Senate Agenda No. 2 dated Monday, July 22, 2019, to be acted upon as indicated and that the agenda be incorporated by reference in the Senate journal and Senate transcript.

THE CHAIR:

So noted and so ordered, sir.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Would the Clerk please call House Joint Resolution No. 204.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:

House Joint Resolution No. 204, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I ask for adoption of the resolution and we need to do that by roll call vote, please.
THE CHAIR:

Thank you, and Mr. Clerk, if you would kindly call the roll call vote and the machine will be opened.

CLERK:

Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate on House Joint Resolution 204, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session. Immediate roll call vote has been ordered in the Senate on House Joint Resolution 204, resolution convening the General Assembly in Special Session. Immediate roll call vote in the Senate.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Duff. Mr. Clerk, if you would please call the roll one more time and then we will close the vote. We will close the vote. The machine will be closed. Mr. Clerk, if you could please read the tally.

CLERK:

House Joint Resolution No. 204

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THE CHAIR:
And the resolution is adopted. Senator Duff.
Senator Hwang.

SENATOR HWANG (28TH):

Thank you, Madam President. If present, I would have voted in the affirmative. Thank you, Ma’am.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you, Senator. The record will reflect that. Senator Duff.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I move that we stand in recess until we -- such time where we have further business to do. Thank you, Madam President.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. Thank you. Senate will be in recess.

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate at 12:07 p.m. recessed.

The Senate reconvened at 1:03 p.m., the President in the Chair.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):
Thank you, Madam President. Madam President, I move that we reopen, call to order our veto session, please.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you and we are called to order for the veto session.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. We have concluded our business on the veto session and I move that we adjourn Sine Die of the veto session.

THE CHAIR:

We are adjourned Sine Die on the veto session.

SENATOR DUFF (25TH):

Thank you, Madam President. Thank you, everybody.

On the motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate at 1:03 p.m. adjourned Sine Die.