

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

First Special Session, 99th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SEVENTH DAY, MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Richardson in the Chair.

Prayer by Reverend Monsignor Robert A. Kurwicki, Chaplain.

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all men. (I Thessalonians 3:12)

Almighty and glorious God, very conscious of our obligations to the historic past, aware of the many positive opportunities of the present, and with faith in a beautiful, amazing future, we humbly join our citizens in the affirmation – “The will of the people is the highest law.”

O God, You have been amazingly generous to us and we are grateful. Your spirit has led us! Your hand has supported us, and Your love has filled our hearts with love. Make us one with You, we pray, as we face the duties of our future together.

Bless our new Governor, his family and staff, as they embark on a new and dedicated role of service to our citizens. Give them peace, comfort and security plus quiet!

Finally, may we lift high the banner of freedom, strengthen the arms of justice, build bridges between people and classes, and keep ourselves ever mindful of Your presence and ready to do Your will.

And the House says, “Amen!”

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The Journal of the first day was approved as printed by the following vote:

AYES: 137

Adams	Anders	Anderson	Andrews	Arthur
Austin	Bahr	Bangert	Baringer	Barnes 60
Barnes 28	Basye	Beck	Bernskoetter	Berry
Black	Bondon	Brown 27	Burns	Butler
Carpenter	Chipman	Christofanelli	Conway 104	Cookson
Corlew	Cornejo	Cross	Curtman	Davis
DeGroot	Dinkins	Dogan	Dohrman	Eggleston
Ellebracht	Ellington	Engler	Fitzpatrick	Fitzwater
Fraker	Francis	Franklin	Franks Jr	Frederick
Gannon	Green	Grier	Haahr	Haefner
Hannegan	Hansen	Harris	Helms	Henderson
Higdon	Hill	Houghton	Houx	Hurst
Justus	Kelley 127	Kelly 141	Kendrick	Kidd
Knight	Kolkmeyer	Korman	Lant	Lavender

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Lichtenegger	Lynch	Marshall	Matthiesen	May
McCann Beatty	McCreery	McDaniel	McGaugh	McGee
Meredith 71	Merideth 80	Messenger	Miller	Mitten
Moon	Morgan	Morris 140	Morse 151	Muntzel
Neely	Nichols	Pfausch	Pierson Jr	Pike
Plocher	Quade	Razer	Redmon	Rehder
Reiboldt	Reisch	Remole	Revis	Rhoads
Roberts	Roden	Rone	Ross	Rowland 155
Rowland 29	Runions	Ruth	Schroer	Shaul 113
Shull 16	Shumake	Smith 85	Smith 163	Sommer
Stacy	Stephens 128	Stevens 46	Swan	Tate
Taylor	Trent	Unsicker	Vescovo	Walker 3
Walsh	Washington	Wessels	Wiemann	Wilson
Wood	Mr. Speaker			

NOES: 001

Curtis

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 022

Beard	Brattin	Brown 57	Burnett	Conway 10
Evans	Gray	Gregory	Johnson	Lauer
Love	Mathews	Mosley	Newman	Peters
Phillips	Pietzman	Pogue	Roeber	Spencer
Walker 74	White			

VACANCIES: 003

Speaker Pro Tem Haahr assumed the Chair.

The Journal of the second day was approved as printed.

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The Journal of the sixth day was approved as printed by the following vote:

AYES: 135

Adams	Anders	Anderson	Andrews	Arthur
Austin	Bahr	Bangert	Baringer	Barnes 60
Barnes 28	Basye	Beck	Bernskoetter	Berry
Black	Bondon	Brown 27	Burns	Butler
Carpenter	Chipman	Christofanelli	Conway 104	Cookson
Corlew	Cornejo	Cross	Curtis	Curtman
Davis	DeGroot	Dinkins	Dogan	Dohrman
Eggleston	Ellebracht	Ellington	Engler	Fitzpatrick
Fitzwater	Fraker	Francis	Franklin	Franks Jr
Frederick	Gannon	Green	Grier	Haahr

Haefner	Hannegan	Hansen	Harris	Helms
Henderson	Higdon	Hill	Houghton	Houx
Hurst	Justus	Kelley 127	Kelly 141	Kendrick
Kidd	Knight	Kolkmeier	Korman	Lant
Lavender	Lichtenegger	Lynch	Marshall	Matthiesen
May	McCann Beatty	McCreery	McDaniel	McGaugh
McGee	Meredith 71	Merideth 80	Messenger	Miller
Mitten	Moon	Morgan	Morris 140	Morse 151
Muntzel	Nichols	Pfausch	Pierson Jr	Pike
Plocher	Quade	Razer	Redmon	Rehder
Reiboldt	Reisch	Remole	Revis	Rhoads
Roberts	Roden	Rone	Ross	Rowland 155
Rowland 29	Runions	Ruth	Schroer	Shaul 113
Shull 16	Shumake	Smith 85	Smith 163	Sommer
Stacy	Stephens 128	Stevens 46	Swan	Tate
Taylor	Trent	Unsicker	Walker 3	Walsh
Washington	Wessels	Wiemann	Wilson	Wood

NOES: 000

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 025

Beard	Brattin	Brown 57	Burnett	Conway 10
Evans	Gray	Gregory	Johnson	Lauer
Love	Mathews	Mosley	Neely	Newman
Peters	Phillips	Pietzman	Pogue	Roeber
Spencer	Vescovo	Walker 74	White	Mr. Speaker

VACANCIES: 003

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Representative Vescovo offered **HCR 1**, which was read.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, First Special Session of the Second Regular Session of the State of Missouri, the Senate concurring therein, that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 11, 2018, to receive a message from His Excellency, the Honorable Michael L. Parson, Governor of the State of Missouri; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that His Excellency be informed that the House of Representatives and Senate of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, First Special Session of the Second Regular Session, are ready to receive any message or communication that His Excellency may desire to submit, and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to inform the Senate of the adoption of this resolution.

On motion of Representative Vescovo, **HCR 1** was adopted.

MOTION

Representative Vescovo moved that Rule 122 be suspended.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 129

Adams	Anderson	Andrews	Arthur	Austin
Bahr	Bangert	Baringer	Barnes 28	Basye
Beck	Bernskoetter	Berry	Black	Bondon
Brown 27	Burns	Butler	Carpenter	Chipman
Christofanelli	Conway 104	Cookson	Corlew	Cornejo
Cross	Curtis	Curtman	Davis	DeGroot
Dinkins	Dogan	Dohrman	Eggleston	Ellebracht
Ellington	Fitzpatrick	Fitzwater	Fraker	Francis
Franklin	Franks Jr	Frederick	Gannon	Green
Grier	Haahr	Haefner	Hannegan	Hansen
Harris	Henderson	Higdon	Houghton	Houx
Hurst	Justus	Kelley 127	Kelly 141	Kendrick
Kidd	Knight	Kolkmeier	Korman	Lant
Lavender	Lichtenegger	Lynch	Marshall	Matthiesen
McCann Beatty	McCreery	McDaniel	McGaugh	Meredith 71
Merideth 80	Messenger	Miller	Mitten	Moon
Morgan	Morris 140	Morse 151	Muntzel	Neely
Nichols	Pfautsch	Pierson Jr	Pike	Plocher
Quade	Razer	Redmon	Rehder	Reiboldt
Remole	Revis	Rhoads	Roberts	Roden
Rone	Ross	Rowland 155	Rowland 29	Runions
Ruth	Schroer	Shaul 113	Shull 16	Shumake
Smith 85	Smith 163	Sommer	Stacy	Stephens 128
Stevens 46	Swan	Tate	Taylor	Trent
Unsicker	Vescovo	Walker 3	Walsh	Washington
Wessels	Wiemann	Wilson	Wood	

NOES: 000

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 031

Anders	Barnes 60	Beard	Brattin	Brown 57
Burnett	Conway 10	Engler	Evans	Gray
Gregory	Helms	Hill	Johnson	Lauer
Love	Mathews	May	McGee	Mosley
Newman	Peters	Phillips	Pietzman	Pogue
Reisch	Roeber	Spencer	Walker 74	White
Mr. Speaker				

VACANCIES: 003

Speaker Richardson resumed the Chair.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has taken up and adopted **HCR 1**.

JOINT SESSION

The hour of the Joint Session having arrived, the Senate in a body was admitted and President Pro Tem Ron Richard, presiding, called the Joint Assembly to order.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop F Color Guard presented the Colors, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The Secretary of the Senate called the roll, which showed a majority of the Senators present:

AYES: 29

Brown	Cierpiot	Crawford	Cunningham	Curls
Dixon	Eigel	Emery	Hegeman	Hummel
Kehoe	Koenig	Libla	Munzlinger	Nasheed
Onder	Richard	Riddle	Rizzo	Romine
Rowden	Sater	Schaaf	Schatz	Sifton
Wallingford	Walsh	Wasson	Wieland	

ABSENT: 1

Chappelle-Nadal

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 3

Holsman	Hoskins	Schupp
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The Chief Clerk of the House called the roll, which showed a majority of the members present:

AYES: 118

Adams	Anders	Anderson	Andrews	Arthur
Austin	Bangert	Baringer	Barnes 60	Barnes 28
Basye	Bernskoetter	Berry	Black	Bondon
Brown 27	Burns	Butler	Carpenter	Christofanelli
Conway 104	Cookson	Corlew	Cornejo	Cross
Davis	DeGroot	Dinkins	Dogan	Dohrman
Ellebracht	Engler	Fitzpatrick	Fitzwater	Fraker
Francis	Franklin	Franks Jr	Frederick	Gannon
Grier	Haefner	Hannegan	Hansen	Harris
Helms	Henderson	Higdon	Houghton	Houx
Hurst	Justus	Kelley 127	Kelly 141	Kendrick
Kidd	Knight	Kolkmeier	Korman	Lant
Lavender	Lichtenegger	Lynch	Marshall	Matthiesen
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Roden	Rone	Ross	Rowland 155	Runions
Ruth	Schroer	Shaul 113	Shull 16	Shumake
Smith 163	Sommer	Stacy	Stephens 128	Stevens 46
Swan	Tate	Taylor	Trent	Unsicker
Walker 3	Walsh	Washington	Wessels	Wiemann
Wilson	Wood	Mr. Speaker		

NOES: 000

PRESENT: 016

Beck	Chipman	Curtis	Eggleston	Ellington
Green	Haahr	McDaniel	Meredith 71	Mitten
Moon	Morgan	Nichols	Quade	Smith 85
Vescovo				

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 026

Bahr	Beard	Brattin	Brown 57	Burnett
Conway 10	Curtman	Evans	Gray	Gregory
Hill	Johnson	Lauer	Love	Mathews
Mosley	Newman	Peters	Phillips	Pietzman
Pogue	Roeber	Rowland 29	Spencer	Walker 74
White				

VACANCIES: 003

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the approach of the Honorable Michael L. Parson, Governor of the State of Missouri. The Governor assumed the Speaker's dais, where he delivered the following message to the Assembly in Joint Session.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR MICHAEL L. PARSON

Thank you, Speaker Richardson, President Pro Tem Richard, and members of the Missouri House and Senate.

First, let me start by introducing my wife Teresa to you. I'm so proud to recognize her as the First Lady of the State of Missouri. She is a blessing to all of us.

I stand before you at a difficult time for our state.

During this time, we have witnessed politics at its worst and at its best. We have been divided, and we have been united. Missouri has risen to the occasion, as we always do.

Today is a time for a fresh start for our state and to recommit ourselves—each and every one of us, including you in the galleries—we must work together for a better Missouri!

We faced difficult truths; we made tough decisions; we persevered because our institutions are strong, and the people of Missouri are stronger.

Over the last 200 years, more than 7,000 Missourians have been elected to a state legislative or constitutional office.

These were honorable men and women—people just like you and me—who temporarily put aside their personal obligations, travelled to the seat of government, and took an oath to do the people’s business.

And like so many of you, most were not looking to build a career. They were not here for fame or glory or notoriety. They placed their names on the ballot, staked out positions on issues, endured the inevitable attacks that come with campaigning, and walked into this building because they were called to be a public servant.

We stand here today in a long legacy of citizen patriots from across the state of Missouri who have answered the call of duty—and we salute their service!

One hundred years ago, the governor’s mansion and the seats in this chamber were occupied by people whose names most of us don’t remember.

And one hundred years from now, long after each of us has departed from this earth, these seats will continue to exist, held by men and women whose grandparents have not even been born.

Make no mistake: the offices we now hold are far bigger than any one of us.

Future Missourians may look back at the journals of the House or the Senate from this legislative session, and they will see our names. They will know our party affiliations. They will see the votes we cast. But none of these things will define who we are.

The responsibility of our jobs was given to us by our forefathers by passing down the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights.

Our job—the job of each and every one of us—is to continue that tradition, which is the framework to be able to live the American Dream and ensure it exists for the next generation. And our job is also to honor the memory of those who have come before, and to applaud those yet to come who will leave their permanent mark on our great state of Missouri.

What we must ask ourselves: Have we been respectful to our constituents, to our colleagues, and to our state? Have we acted morally and ethically? Have we honored the people of our great state who sent us here? How we answer these questions will define who we are.

For many of you, this will be the first and last office you ever hold—but what you do during your brief time matters. It matters to the student and the teacher. It matters to the truck driver and the small business owner. It matters to the police officer and the prisoner. It matters to the worker and the employer. It matters to the nurse and the farmer. But it’s not just the votes you cast or the bills that are signed; it’s how we respect the institution that has temporarily been entrusted to our care.

We are expected to debate passionately for what we believe—but we must be careful not to erode the public’s trust in our system of government for short-term personal gain.

The government our forefathers established makes us unique in the world and sets America apart as a shining city on the hill!

We should expect criticism and understand that some of it is unfair—but we must always take responsibility for our own actions.

Most of all, we must always remember that we serve the people and the state of Missouri—not the other way around.

Sadly, much of the political turmoil that has engulfed our state is a result of these truths being forgotten.

When the public’s trust is violated, we are obligated to act.

Over the past few months, I have been impressed by the care, prudence, and professionalism you have shown as you have sought the truth.

I am in awe, once again, of the fortitude of our state's institutions.

But our institutions are only as strong as the people who serve them—and the great State of Missouri is better because of your service.

Today, in this chamber, we have the opportunity for a fresh start. To elevate the tone of our political discourse. To recommit ourselves to the values that made our system of government the envy of the world.

This does not mean disregarding our beliefs or moderating our positions. It means debating with respect. It means conducting ourselves with integrity. It means unifying around the idea that—no matter which party we belong to—each of us is here for the same reason: to make Missouri... a better place.

Too many people have come to believe that dysfunction and inaction are the normal conditions of government.

But over the past few months, you—the members of the Missouri General Assembly—have proven that effective leadership is possible. Among you, there are profound disagreements, yet throughout the legislative session, you respected each other, you respected the process, and you respected the people of this state. And in the midst of political strife, you debated and argued passionately for issues you cared about.

Not long ago you completed one of the most historic legislative sessions in recent memory. Not enough has been said about it. Your many legislative achievements include significant tax reform for Missourians, record education funding for our students, government union reform, a responsible, balanced budget, and many other reforms that made government smaller, more efficient, and more effective for Missourians.

This is how government should work, and this is the people's government and we—all of us in this room—can ensure that it continues to work in the years ahead.

As we move forward, together, I pledge that I will spend every day working to make our state stronger and more prosperous. I promise that the welfare of the people will be my guiding principle and sole consideration. And I will never forget—never forget—that public service is—first and foremost—about serving Missourians.

I hope that each of you will join me.

During this time, I am reminded by a passage in Philippians 2:3-4, “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility... count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interest, but also to the interests of others.”

With your prayers—and the prayers of millions of Missourians—for me and my family, for all of our political leaders, and for our state, I am confident that our wounds will heal and the bonds that bind us together as Missourians will strengthen. And now more than ever, I am optimistic that we will move forward, as President Abraham Lincoln urged in the closing days of the Civil War, “with malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on... to finish the work we are in... to bind up the nation's wounds.”

May God bless you...and may God bless the great state of Missouri!

The Joint Session was dissolved by Senator Kehoe.

Speaker Richardson resumed the Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Representative Vescovo, the House of Representatives of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, convened in the First Special Session of the Second Regular Session on May 18, 2018, adjourned sine die, pursuant to the Constitution.

TODD RICHARDSON
Speaker of the House

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS
Chief Clerk of the House

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