THE SIXTEENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), February 21, 2017

Senate called to order at 11:08 a.m.

President pro Tempore Denis presiding.

Roll called.

All present except for Senator Roberson, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Reverend Jay Hull.

Today marks the one-year anniversary of the death of Senator Debbie Smith. Let us pause and have a moment of silence as we remember and cherish our thoughts of her and pray for those who are still feeling the pain of loss.

Heavenly Father, we give You thanks for Senator Smith, for her life. We thank You that she was well-known, well-respected and well-loved by so many, here, in the Legislature. We thank You for this opportunity to pause and to remember, and we thank You that You have made us in Your image so we can cherish and remember one another, even those whose earthly life has drawn to a close.

Creator and sustainer of all that is, God of Heaven and Earth, I confess that I am unworthy of the honor of being here to pray before this esteemed assembly today. Yet, You have seen fit, by Your grace, to bring me and to bring each of us to this place and to this moment. Guide us, bless us and make us a blessing to others by our work and by the way we do it.

I echo the words of the 15th-Century Saint, Thomas a' Kempis, in asking that You write Your blessed name, O' Lord, upon this assembly, there to remain so indelibly engraved that no propriety, no victory, no defeat, no adversity shall ever move us from Your love. Be to us a strong tower of defense, a comforter in tribulation, a deliverer in distress and a faithful guide to the courts of Heaven through the many temptations and dangers of this life. I pray this in the Name of Jesus, my only Savior.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the Journal is dispensed with, and the President pro Tempore and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. President pro Tempore:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 16, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

MARK A. MANENDO, Chair

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Farley has approved the addition of Senator Spearman as a primary sponsor of Senate Bill No. 166.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 197—AN ACT relating to the Lake Tahoe Basin; extending the period for the issuance of certain bonds for certain environmental improvement projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Parks moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 198—AN ACT relating to state financial administration; extending the deadline for the issuance of certain general obligation bonds to protect, preserve and obtain the benefits of the property and natural resources of this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Parks moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Senate Bill No. 23.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Senate Bill No. 44.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Senate Bill No. 45.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Senate Bill No. 111.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Denis, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Debra Reed and Colin Tempelis.

On request of Senator Farley, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Vanessa Chipp and Dr. Tyler Peterson.

On request of Senator Ford, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Ray Alden, Rolando Flores and Justine Suba-Cohen.

On request of Senator Hammond, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Anna Davis and Tyler Lund.

On request of Senator Hardy, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Erin Davis and Schyler Richards.

Senator Ford moved that the Senate adjourn until Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. and that it do so in memory of former Senator Debbie Smith.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Approved: Moises Denis

President pro Tempore of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT

Secretary of the Senate