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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025

(STATEWIDE SESSION)

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Indicates New Matter

The House assembled at 11:45 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk Jr. as follows:

Our thought for today is from Ephesians 6:10: “Finally in the strength of his power.”

Let us pray. Dear God, we praise You for Your loving kindness that restores us, carries out juice, and fills our lives with Your goodness and mercy. May we see the goodness of God each and every day. God of justice and mercy, we pray for peace in our time. May grace, mercy, and peace be with our World, Nation, President, State, Governor Speaker, Staff, and all who contribute to this great cause. Bless and protect our men and women who serve and defend our Country. Remember those with hidden wounds. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. WOOTEN moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Phyllis J. Claypoole, which was agreed to.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bauer | Beach | Bernstein |
| Bowers | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Caskey | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Forrest | Frank | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Gilreath |
| Govan | Grant | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hart |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Hayes |
| Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Oremus | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pope | Rankin | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sanders | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | White | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Willis |
| Wooten |  |  |

**Total Present--118**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. CHUMLEY a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. YOW a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. WETMORE a leave of absence for the day due to family reasons.

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

Reps. OREMUS and RIVERS signed a statement with the Clerk that they came in after the roll call of the House and were present for the Session on Tuesday, February 4.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Mark Humphrey of Columbia was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

**“**5.2Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co-sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co-sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member's or co-sponsor's written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3034 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3125 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | KILMARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3163 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | KILMARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3173 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3202 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | BAUER |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3287 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | MCGINNIS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3313 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3394 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | LAWSON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3472 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | CALHOON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3523 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | CALHOON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3526 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | BALLENTINE |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3529 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | CALHOON and BALLENTINE |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3536 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | M. M. SMITH, DAVIS, HOLMAN and B. L. COX |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3537 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | RANKIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3602 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | WOOTEN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3643 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | B. J. COX and GUEST |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3779 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | SANDERS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3800 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | KILMARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3849 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | KILMARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3858 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | SANDERS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3862 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | M. M. SMITH |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3868 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/05/25 | RIVERS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3292 |
| Date: | REMOVE: |
| 02/05/25 | BRADLEY |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3652 |
| Date: | REMOVE: |
| 02/05/25 | GATCH |

**JOINT ASSEMBLY**

At 12:00 noon the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House. The President of the Senate called the Joint Assembly to order and announced that it had convened under the terms of a Concurrent Resolution adopted by both Houses.

**ELECTION OF JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, CIRCUIT COURT, FAMILY COURT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT**

The following Concurrent Resolution was read:

S. 237 -- Senators Rankin, Sabb and Garrett: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 2, UPON HER ELECTION TO THE SUPREME COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2029; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HER APPOINTMENT TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL SERVE A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2030; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 7, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2027; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 14, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 15, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 16, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HER RETIREMENT ON APRIL 30, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, UPON HER RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2025, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, UPON HIS ELECTION TO THE COURT OF APPEALS, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL A NEW TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2031; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 6, UPON HER ELECTION TO THE CIRCUIT COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 1, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 2, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 4, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 5, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, AT-LARGE, SEAT 6, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 2, UPON HIS ELECTION TO THE CIRCUIT COURT, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2027; AND TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 3, WHICH WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2025.

**ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 2.

Senator Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis, Jason P. Luther, and the Honorable Courtney Pope.

Senator Rankin stated that Jason P. Luther and the Honorable Courtney Pope had withdrawn from the race and placed name of the remaining candidate, the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis, in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Kristi F. Curtis was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable John D. Geathers had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable John D. Geathers was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE, SEAT 4**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Eugene P. Warr Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Eugene P. Warr Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,  
 FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Ashley A. McMahan, Christopher Dolan Taylor, and William K. Witherspoon.

Sen. Rankin stated that Ashley A. McMahan had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidates, Christopher Dolan Taylor and William K. Witherspoon, in nomination.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Christopher Dolan Taylor:

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| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Bennett | Campsen | Chaplin |
| Cromer | Davis | Elliott |
| Gambrell | Garrett | Goldfinch |
| Graham | Grooms | Jackson |
| Johnson | Kennedy | Leber |
| Ott | Peeler | Rankin |
| Reichenbach | Sabb | Stubbs |
| Sutton | Tedder | Turner |
| Verdin | Williams | Young |
| Zell |  |  |

**Total--31**

The following named Senators voted for William K. Witherspoon:

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| Cash | Climer | Corbin |
| Devine | Hembree | Kimbrell |
| Massey | Nutt | Rice |

**Total--9**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Christopher Dolan Taylor:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bowers | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Calhoon | Caskey |
| Chapman | Collins | B. J. Cox |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Erickson |
| Gagnon | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Guest | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Hart |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Herbkersman |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Hixon |
| Holman | Howard | J. E. Johnson |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | Jordan |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Martin | May |
| McCabe | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | T. Moore | Murphy |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pedalino |
| Reese | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sanders | Schuessler |
| Sessions | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Teeple | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Whitmire | Wickensimer |
| Williams | Willis | Wooten |

**Total--81**

The following named Representatives voted for William K. Witherspoon:

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| Beach | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Forrest | Garvin | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Govan | Grant |
| Guffey | Harris | Hayes |
| Henderson-Myers | Hosey | Huff |
| Kilmartin | King | Magnuson |
| McDaniel | Morgan | Moss |
| Neese | B. Newton | Pope |
| Rivers | Spann-Wilder | White |

**Total--27**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 40

Total number of Representatives voting 108

Grand Total 148

Necessary to a choice 75

Of which Christopher Dolan Taylor received 112

Of which William K. Witherspoon received 36

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Christopher Dolan Taylor was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable J. Derham Cole Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable J. Derham Cole Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Bryan A. Alfaro, Thomas J. Rode, and R. Bruce Wallace.

Sen. Rankin stated that Bryan A. Alfaro and R. Bruce Wallace had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, Thomas J. Rode, in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. MAGNUSON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Thomas J. Rode:

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| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Bennett | Campsen | Chaplin |
| Cromer | Davis | Devine |
| Elliott | Gambrell | Goldfinch |
| Graham | Grooms | Hembree |
| Jackson | Johnson | Kennedy |
| Kimbrell | Leber | Massey |
| Ott | Peeler | Rankin |
| Reichenbach | Sabb | Stubbs |
| Sutton | Tedder | Turner |
| Verdin | Walker | Williams |
| Young | Zell |  |

**Total--35**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Thomas J. Rode:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Caskey |
| Chapman | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Davis | Dillard |
| Erickson | Forrest | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Guffey | Hager |
| Hardee | Hart | Hartnett |
| Hartz | Hayes | Henderson-Myers |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hixon |
| Holman | Hosey | Howard |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | King | Kirby |
| Lawson | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Luck | Martin |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | T. Moore | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Pedalino | Pope |
| Reese | Rivers | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sanders | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Weeks | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |

**Total--90**

The following named Representatives voted against Thomas J. Rode:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Beach | Cromer | Duncan |
| Edgerton | Frank | Gilreath |
| Harris | Huff | Kilmartin |
| Magnuson | Morgan | Pace |
| Terribile |  |  |

**Total--13**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 35

Total number of Representatives voting 103

Grand Total 138

Of which Thomas J. Rode received 125

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Thomas J. Rode was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ABSTENTION FROM VOTING**

I abstained from voting on the election of Thomas J. Rode for a Circuit Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2, due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. Robby Robbins

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Lawton McIntosh had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Lawton McIntosh was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable David Shawn Graham, Derrick E. Mobley, and Christian Giresi Spradley.

Sen. Rankin stated that Derrick E. Mobley and Christian Giresi Spradley had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, the Honorable David Shawn Graham, in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Shawn Graham was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that Melissa A. Inzerillo had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. SESSIONS objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Melissa A. Inzerillo:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Allen | Devine | Graham |
| Jackson | Ott | Peeler |
| Rankin | Sabb | Sutton |
| Tedder | Walker | Williams |

**Total--12**

The following named Senators voted against Melissa A. Inzerillo:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Alexander | Bennett |
| Campsen | Cash | Chaplin |
| Climer | Corbin | Cromer |
| Davis | Elliott | Gambrell |
| Goldfinch | Grooms | Hembree |
| Johnson | Kennedy | Kimbrell |
| Leber | Martin | Massey |
| Nutt | Reichenbach | Rice |
| Stubbs | Turner | Verdin |
| Young | Zell |  |

**Total--29**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Melissa A. Inzerillo:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Caskey | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | Dillard | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliard | Govan |
| Grant | Guest | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Hosey |
| Howard | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | King | Kirby |
| Lawson | Luck | Martin |
| McCravy | McDaniel | T. Moore |
| Moss | Reese | Rivers |
| Rose | Rutherford | Spann-Wilder |
| Stavrinakis | Weeks | Williams |

**Total--42**

The following named Representatives voted against Melissa A. Inzerillo:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Atkinson | Bailey | Ballentine |
| Beach | Bowers | Bradley |
| Brewer | Burns | Chapman |
| B. J. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Davis | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Erickson | Forrest | Frank |
| Gagnon | Gilliam | Gilreath |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hartnett |
| Hartz | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Huff |
| Kilmartin | Landing | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | Morgan | Murphy |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Oremus |
| Pace | Pope | Rankin |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Willis |
| Wooten |  |  |

**Total--64**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 41

Total number of Representatives voting 106

Grand Total 147

Of which Melissa A. Inzerillo received 54

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Melissa A. Inzerillo was not elected.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 7**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 7.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: De Grant Gibbons, William Vickery “Vick” Meetze, and Jane H. Merrill.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for De Grant Gibbons:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Martin | Massey | Tedder |
| Young |  |  |

**Total--4**

The following named Senators voted for William Vickery Meetze:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Bennett | Campsen |
| Chaplin | Davis | Goldfinch |
| Graham | Grooms | Hembree |
| Jackson | Johnson | Ott |
| Rankin | Reichenbach | Sabb |
| Stubbs | Sutton | Walker |
| Williams |  |  |

**Total--19**

The following named Senators voted for Jane H. Merrill:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Allen | Cash |
| Climer | Corbin | Cromer |
| Devine | Elliott | Gambrell |
| Garrett | Kennedy | Kimbrell |
| Leber | Nutt | Peeler |
| Rice | Turner | Verdin |
| Zell |  |  |

**Total--19**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for De Grant Gibbons:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Bamberg | Burns | Clyburn |
| Forrest | Guffey | Hager |
| Harris | Hartz | Hixon |
| Kilmartin | Landing | May |
| McCabe | Neese | Oremus |
| Rivers | Sessions | Taylor |
| Wickensimer | Wooten |  |

**Total--20**

The following named Representatives voted for William Vickery Meetze:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bauer |
| Bernstein | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Calhoon | Caskey |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Davis |
| Gatch | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Hardee | Hartnett |
| Hayes | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Holman | Hosey |
| Howard | J. E. Johnson | Jordan |
| Kirby | Ligon | Lowe |
| Luck | Martin | McGinnis |
| Mitchell | Moss | Murphy |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Reese |
| Robbins | Rutherford | Schuessler |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Teeple | Weeks | Williams |

**Total--51**

The following named Representatives voted for Jane H. Merrill:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Bannister | Beach | Bowers |
| Bustos | Chapman | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | B. J. Cox | Cromer |
| Dillard | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Erickson | Frank | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Gilreath | Haddon |
| Hart | Henderson-Myers | Huff |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | King |
| Lawson | Long | Magnuson |
| McCravy | McDaniel | Montgomery |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Pace |
| Pope | Rankin | Rose |
| Sanders | Spann-Wilder | Terribile |
| Vaughan | White | Whitmire |
| Willis |  |  |

**Total--46**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 42

Total number of Representatives voting 117

Grand Total 159

Necessary to a choice 80

Of which De Grant Gibbons received 24

Of which William Vickery Meetze received 70

Of which Jane H. Merrill received 65

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that De Grant Gibbons had withdrawn.

Sen. Rankin announced that the Joint Assembly proceed to a second ballot.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for William Vickery Meetze:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Bennett | Campsen |
| Chaplin | Davis | Goldfinch |
| Graham | Grooms | Hembree |
| Jackson | Johnson | Martin |
| Ott | Rankin | Reichenbach |
| Sabb | Stubbs | Sutton |
| Walker | Williams |  |

**Total--20**

The following named Senators voted for Jane H. Merrill:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Allen | Cash |
| Climer | Corbin | Cromer |
| Devine | Elliott | Gambrell |
| Garrett | Kennedy | Kimbrell |
| Leber | Massey | Nutt |
| Peeler | Rice | Tedder |
| Turner | Verdin | Young |
| Zell |  |  |

**Total--22**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for William Vickery Meetze:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bauer |
| Bernstein | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Caskey | Clyburn |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Davis |
| Gatch | Govan | Guest |
| Hager | Hardee | Hartnett |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | J. E. Johnson |
| Jordan | Kirby | Ligon |
| Lowe | Luck | Martin |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rutherford | Schuessler |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Teeple | Weeks | Williams |

**Total--54**

The following named Representatives voted for Jane H. Merrill:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Beach |
| Bowers | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Chapman | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. J. Cox | Cromer | Dillard |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Frank | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Grant | Guffey |
| Haddon | Harris | Hart |
| Hartz | Hixon | Huff |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | Kilmartin |
| King | Landing | Lawson |
| Long | Magnuson | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| Montgomery | T. Moore | Morgan |
| Oremus | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pope | Rankin | Rose |
| Sanders | Sessions | Spann-Wilder |
| Taylor | Terribile | Vaughan |
| White | Whitmire | Wickensimer |
| Willis | Wooten |  |

**Total--62**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 42

Total number of Representatives voting 116

Grand Total 158

Necessary to a choice 80

Of which William Vickery Meetze received 74

Of which Jane H. Merrill received 84

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Jane H. Merrill was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 14**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 14.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable R. Keith Kelly had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable R. Keith Kelly was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 15**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 15.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Maite D. Murphy had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. CROMER objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Maite D. Murphy:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Bennett | Campsen | Chaplin |
| Cromer | Davis | Devine |
| Elliott | Gambrell | Garrett |
| Goldfinch | Graham | Grooms |
| Hembree | Jackson | Johnson |
| Kennedy | Kimbrell | Leber |
| Massey | Nutt | Ott |
| Peeler | Rankin | Reichenbach |
| Sabb | Stubbs | Sutton |
| Tedder | Turner | Verdin |
| Walker | Williams | Young |
| Zell |  |  |

**Total--37**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Maite D. Murphy:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Caskey |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Erickson |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Hager | Hardee |
| Hart | Hartnett | Hartz |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman |
| Hewitt | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | J. E. Johnson |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | Jordan |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Lawson | Ligon | Lowe |
| Luck | Martin | McCabe |
| McCravy | McDaniel | McGinnis |
| Mitchell | Montgomery | T. Moore |
| Moss | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Pedalino | Pope |
| Rankin | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Spann-Wilder |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Teeple |
| Vaughan | Weeks | Williams |
| Wooten |  |  |

**Total--91**

The following named Representatives voted against Maite D. Murphy:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Beach | Cromer | Edgerton |
| Frank | Gilreath | Harris |
| Huff | Magnuson | Morgan |
| Pace | Terribile | White |
| Wickensimer |  |  |

**Total--13**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 37

Total number of Representatives voting 104

Grand Total 141

Of which Maite D. Murphy received 128

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Maite D. Murphy was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ABSTENTION FROM VOTING**

February 5, 2025

The Honorable G. Murrell Smith Jr.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

506 Blatt Building

Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I am notifying you that I will not participate in the vote for the judicial election scheduled today for the following seat: Circuit Court, At-Large, Seat 15 as the candidate is my spouse. Thus, in accordance with Section 8-13-700(B) of the SC Code of Laws, I recuse myself from voting in the race for this judicial seat to avoid any conflict of interest. I wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the journal. I also want to note that I was not involved in the Judicial Merit Selection Commission screening process for Circuit Court, At-Large, Seat 15.

Sincerely,

Rep. Chris Murphy

**LEAVE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. GOVAN Leave for the remainder of the day.

**ELECTION OF A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 16**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 16.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that Charles J. McCutchen had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Charles J. McCutchen was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, First Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Anne Gue Jones had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Anne Gue Jones was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Second Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Shannon M. Chandler and Amanda Frances Whittle.

Sen. Rankin stated that Shannon M. Chandler had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, Amanda Frances Whittle, in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Amanda Frances Whittle was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Second Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela W. Abstance had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela W. Abstance was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: William A. W. Buxton and E. Thompson Kinney,

Sen. Rankin stated that E. Thompson Kinney had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, William A. W. Buxton, in nomination.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that William A. W. Buxton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela R. Taylor had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela R. Taylor was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Third Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Ernest Joseph Jarrett had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Ernest Joseph Jarrett was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that C. Heath Ruffner had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that C. Heath Ruffner was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Michelle M. Hurley had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Michelle M. Hurley was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Scott Rankin had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Scott Rankin was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Coreen B. Khoury had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Coreen B. Khoury was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Angela J. Moss had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela J. Moss was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Todd Thigpen had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Todd Thigppen was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable Bryan C. Able, Robert W. Cone, and James Conway “Jim” Todd IV.

Sen. Rankin stated that Robert W. Cone and the Honorable Bryan C. Able had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidate, James Conway “Jim” Todd IV in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that James Conway “Jim” Todd IV was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Joseph C. Smithdeal had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Joseph C. Smithdeal was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Alice Anne Richter had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Alice Anne Richter was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 4**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Blakely Copeland Cahoon had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Blakely Copeland Cahoon was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David J. Brousseau had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David J. Brousseau was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable M. Scott McElhannon had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable M. Scott McElhannon was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Huntley Smith Crouch had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Huntley Smith Crouch was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Robert E. Newton had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Robert E. Newton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Alicia Allsbrook Richardson had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Alicia Allsbrook Richardson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable FitzLee H. McEachin had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable FitzLee H. McEachin was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Rochelle Yarborough Conits had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. MAGNUSON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Rochelle Conits:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Bennett | Campsen | Chaplin |
| Cromer | Davis | Devine |
| Elliott | Gambrell | Garrett |
| Goldfinch | Graham | Grooms |
| Hembree | Jackson | Johnson |
| Kennedy | Kimbrell | Leber |
| Massey | Ott | Peeler |
| Rankin | Reichenbach | Sabb |
| Sutton | Tedder | Turner |
| Verdin | Walker | Williams |
| Young | Zell |  |

**Total--35**

The following named Senators voted against Rochelle Conits:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Cash | Martin |  |

**Total--2**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Rochelle Conits:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Bauer |
| Bernstein | Bowers | Bradley |
| Brewer | Brittain | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Caskey | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | B. J. Cox |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Davis |
| Dillard | Erickson | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Grant | Guest |
| Haddon | Hardee | Hartz |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman |
| Hewitt | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | J. E. Johnson |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | Jordan |
| Kilmartin | King | Kirby |
| Landing | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Martin | McCabe |
| McDaniel | Mitchell | T. Moore |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Pedalino |
| Reese | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Rutherford | Sanders |
| Schuessler | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Vaughan | Weeks | Wickensimer |
| Williams | Willis | Wooten |

**Total--81**

The following named Representatives voted against Rochelle Conits:

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Beach | Burns | Cromer |
| Edgerton | Frank | Harris |
| Magnuson | McCravy | Pace |
| Rankin | Teeple | White |

**Total--12**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 37

Total number of Representatives voting 93

Grand Total 130

Of which Rochelle Conits received 116

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Rochelle Yarborough Conits was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable W. Marsh Robertson had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable W. Marsh Robertson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 6**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 6.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Jonathan D. Hammond and Marcelo Torricos.

Sen. Rankin stated that Jonathan D. Hammond had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, Marcelo Torricos, in nomination.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Marcelo Torricos was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak Jr. had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak Jr. was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Jan B. Bromell Holmes had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

Sen. Rankin moved that nominations be closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote be taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Rep. EDGERTON objected.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Jan B. Bromell Holmes:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Bennett | Campsen | Chaplin |
| Cromer | Davis | Devine |
| Elliott | Gambrell | Garrett |
| Goldfinch | Graham | Grooms |
| Jackson | Johnson | Kimbrell |
| Massey | Ott | Peeler |
| Rankin | Reichenbach | Sabb |
| Sutton | Tedder | Turner |
| Verdin | Walker | Williams |
| Young |  |  |

**Total--31**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Jan B. Bromell Holmes:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Caskey |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Davis | Dillard | Erickson |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Grant | Guest | Hardee |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Hayes |
| Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Howard | J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson |
| Jones | Jordan | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Ligon |
| Lowe | Luck | Martin |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | T. Moore |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Reese |
| Rivers | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sanders | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Williams | Willis |
| Wooten |  |  |

**Total--76**

The following named Representatives voted against Jan B. Bromell Holmes:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Beach | Cromer | Edgerton |
| Frank | Gilreath | Harris |
| Huff | Kilmartin | Long |
| Magnuson | Morgan | Pace |
| Rankin | Teeple | Terribile |
| White | Wickensimer |  |

**Total--17**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 31

Total number of Representatives voting 93

Grand Total 124

Of which Jan B. Bromell Holmes received 107

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Jan B. Bromell Holmes was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David G. Guyton had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David G. Guyton was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 1.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Kimaka “Kim” Nichols-Graham had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Kimaka “Kim” Nichols-Graham was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Timothy E. Madden had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Timothy E. Madden was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable James G. McGee III had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable James G. McGee III was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 4**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 4.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Monet Pincus had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Monet Pincus was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 5**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 5.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Randall E. McGee had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Randall E. McGee was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF A FAMILY COURT JUDGE,   
AT-LARGE, SEAT 6**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat 6.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable David Earl Phillips had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Earl Phillips was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, SEAT 2**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for an Administrative Law Judge, Seat 2.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: Kristian Cross, the Honorable Bryan S. Jeffries, and Samuel L. Johnson.

Sen. Rankin stated that the Honorable Bryan S. Jeffries had withdrawn from the race and placed the names of the remaining candidates, Kristian Cross and Samuel L. Johnson, in nomination.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

The following named Senators voted for Kristian Cross:

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| Adams | Alexander | Allen |
| Devine | Jackson | Johnson |
| Martin | Massey | Ott |
| Peeler | Rankin | Sabb |
| Tedder | Walker | Williams |
| Young |  |  |

**Total--16**

The following named Senators voted for Samuel L. Johnson:

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| Bennett | Campsen | Cash |
| Chaplin | Climer | Corbin |
| Cromer | Davis | Elliott |
| Gambrell | Garrett | Goldfinch |
| Graham | Grooms | Hembree |
| Kennedy | Kimbrell | Leber |
| Nutt | Reichenbach | Rice |
| Stubbs | Sutton | Turner |
| Verdin | Zell |  |

**Total--26**

On the motion of Rep. CASKEY, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

The following named Representatives voted for Kristian Cross:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Ballentine |
| Bamberg | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Brewer | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | Dillard | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gilliard | Grant |
| Hardee | Hart | Hartnett |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | J. L. Johnson |
| Jones | King | Kirby |
| Luck | McDaniel | McGinnis |
| Neese | Oremus | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rutherford |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Weeks |
| Williams |  |  |

**Total--40**

The following named Representatives voted for Samuel L. Johnson:

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| Bailey | Bannister | Bowers |
| Bradley | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Caskey |
| Chapman | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Forrest | Frank | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilreath | Guest |
| Haddon | Hager | Harris |
| Hartz | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | Jordan | Landing |
| Lawson | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| Mitchell | Montgomery | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Pace |
| Pedalino | Rankin | Rose |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Willis |
| Wooten |  |  |

**Total--70**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 42

Total number of Representatives voting 110

Grand Total 152

Necessary to a choice 77

Of which Kristian Cross received 56

Of which Samuel L. Johnson received 96

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that Samuel L. Johnson was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**ELECTION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, SEAT 3**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for an Administrative Law Judge, Seat 3.

Sen. Rankin, on behalf of the Judicial Screening Committee, stated that the Honorable Robert L. Reibold had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Rankin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Robert L. Reibold was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**JOINT ASSEMBLY RECEDES**

The purposes of the Joint Assembly having been accomplished, the PRESIDENT announced that under the terms of the Concurrent Resolution the Joint Assembly would recede from business.

The Senate accordingly retired to its Chamber.

**THE HOUSE RESUMES**

At 1:45 p.m.. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

Rep. FORREST moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:58 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. WOOTEN, adjourned in memory of Phyllis J. Claypoole, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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