Journal of the House

SIXTY-FIRST DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, TOPEKA, KS, Tuesday, May 5, 2009, 10:00 a.m.

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker O'Neal in the chair.

The roll was called with 122 members present.

Reps. Aurand, Peterson and Rardin were excused on excused absence by the Speaker.

Prayer by guest chaplain, the Rev. Steve L. Vaughn, Senior Pastor, Fairlawn Nazarene Church, Topeka:

Father of today thank you for another day of life. Thank you for a day to see the sun come up one more time. Thank you for the opportunity to have an occupation to come to work to. Thank you for these men and women who by election see your wisdom and guidance during these hours.

I especially pray for our educators across the state of Kansas as they lead and teach the youth of today and the leaders of tomorrow. Help them to relay to our kids that happiness is the experience of living a life you feel is worthwhile.

May today be a day of thankfulness for your greatness and blessings to this nation, to our leaders and to our families.

May we acknowledge we have nothing without you in our lives.

In Jesus' name I ask. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rep. Lane.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

There being no objection, the following remarks by Reps. Kerschen, Hawk and Carlin are spread upon the journal:

Remarks by Rep. Kerschen:

The College of Agriculture at Kansas State University has had a long and distinguished history of excellence in education and applied research in the food production industry in the State of Kansas and the United States as well.

Today we have the privilege of honoring the Department of Agronomy and the 2009 Soils Judging Team for their achievements at the National Collegiate competition that took place in Springfield, Missouri at Missouri State University March 26 through April 3.

The K-State team placed first among the 23 universities that competed. Following K-State in second place was Purdue University with West Virginia finishing third.

Remarks by Rep. Hawk:

As you will find out later from Rep. Carlin, this team is special. It shows that the "apple does not fall far from the tree". Representative Kerschen's daughter is one of the outstanding members of this team. The team is coached by Dr. Mickey Ransom, Professor of Agronomy, who is assisted by Paul Hartley, Agronomy graduate student from Emporia. Dr. Ransom is highly qualified to coach these outstanding students. He has attained many awards during his tenure at K-State where his assignment is 70% teaching and 30% research. His recent awards are as Outstanding Scholar at KSU in 2007, Outstanding Teaching in 1993, and Outstanding Advising in 1997. His achievements as coach extend into last year when the

2008 Soils Team was the first National Championship ever and the team is now bringing back to back National titles to K-State this year. As President Wefald would say as he constantly praises and promotes Kansas State, this team is the undisputed, two time National Champs period, amen and good night! Congratulations Coach Ransom and the 2009 National Soils Judging Team Champions.

Remarks by Rep. Carlin:

I would like to introduce the 2009 team members: Kelsey McGie, Iola; Kim Kerschen, Garden Plain; Timothy Foster, Middleburg, Vermont; Stuart Watts, Manhattan; Angela Tran, Prairie Village; Kerri Neugebauer, Grandview, Missouri; Josh Klein, Protection; and Andrew McGowan, Prairie Village.

Andrew is Kansas State University's 21st Morris K. Udall Scholar and is currently studying in China.

Please join us in congratulating the 2009 Soils Team on their National Championship.

Rep. Kerschen presented Dr. Ransom with a framed House certificate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Announcing passage of HB 2295, as amended by S. Sub. for HB 2295.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OFFERED ON A PREVIOUS DAY

On motion of Rep. William, **HR 6030**, A resolution designating May 8 as Military Family Appreciation Day, was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS

On motion of Rep. Colloton, pursuant to subsection (k) of Joint Rule 4 of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, to suspend the rules for the purpose of considering **HB 2130**, the motion, not having received the required 63 votes, did not prevail.

On motion of Rep. Merrick, the House recessed until 4:00 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met pursuant to recess with Speaker pro tem Siegfreid in the chair.

REPORT ON ENROLLED BILLS

S. Sub. for HB 2032; S. Sub. for HB 2099 reported correctly enrolled, properly signed and presented to the governor on May 5, 2009.

On motion of Rep. Merrick, the House adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 6, 2009.

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