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IN SENATE

Senate Chamber, Sacramento Monday, May 18, 2009

The Senate met at 1:11 p.m. Hon. S. Joseph Simitian, of the 11th District, presiding. Secretary Greg Schmidt at the Desk. Assistant Secretary Zach Twilla reading.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names: Aanestad, Alquist, Ashburn, Benoit, Calderon, Cogdill, Corbett, Correa, Cox, Denham, DeSaulnier, Ducheny, Dutton, Hancock, Harman, Hollingsworth, Huff, Kehoe, Leno, Liu, Lowenthal, Maldonado, Negrete McLeod, Oropeza, Padilla, Pavley, Romero, Runner, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Walters, Wiggins, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—37. Quorum present.

(NOTE: Senator Florez will be excused this day on legislative business and Senator Cedillo will be excused this day on personal business.)

PRAYER

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

Each of us have our own mountains to climb in life, heights we hope to scale, obstacles to overcome. But as we face these mountains of ours, we would do well to heed the advice of Sir Edmund Hillary who said "It is not the mountain we conquer but ourselves."

It is easy to get awed or intimidated by the mountains that loom before us. But even if what we seek to do seems as daunting as climbing Everest itself, we must first look inward to find the tools we need to endure the trials that we face.

We pray to the Holy One, the Creator of us all, to open up our eyes to the unrealized possibilities ready to be awakened within ourselves. May this be God's will.—AMEN.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Senator Calderon led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR THE DAY

The following Senator was granted leave of absence for the day due to legislative business: Senator Florez.

The following Senator was granted leave of absence for the day due to personal business: Senator Cedillo.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:30 p.m., the President declared the Senate adjourned on call of the President pro Tempore.

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk