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FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY

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**IN SENATE**

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Senate Chamber, Sacramento  
Monday, August 24, 2009

The Senate met at 3:35 p.m.  
Hon. S. Joseph Simitian, of the 11th District, presiding.  
Secretary Greg Schmidt at the Desk.  
Assistant Secretary David Valverde reading.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Aanestad, Alquist, Ashburn, Benoit, Calderon, Cedillo, Cogdill, Corbett, Correa, Cox, Denham, DeSaulnier, Ducheny, Dutton, Florez, Hancock, Harman, Hollingsworth, Huff, Kehoe, Leno, Liu, Lowenthal, Maldonado, Negrete McLeod, Oropeza, Padilla, Pavley, Price, Romero, Runner, Simitian, Steinberg, Strickland, Walters, Wiggins, Wolk, Wright, Wyland, and Yee—40.

Quorum present.



**PRAYER**

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mona Alfi:

The British novelist, Joseph Conrad, wrote: “For life to be large and full, it must contain the care of the past and of the future in every passing moment of the present. Our daily work must be done to the glory of the dead, and for the good of those who come after.”

To be engaged in public service, is to be engaged in work that is larger than oneself. When one’s work is to serve the community, we should be ever conscious of the fact that we are caretakers of the blessings we have inherited from the generations that came before us, just as we hold the well being of future generations in our hands.

We pray to the Holy One, the Creator of all humanity, to grant us the ability to act in a way that gives honor to our ancestors while creating a firm foundation for those who come after us.

May this be God’s will.—AMEN.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:36 p.m., the President declared the Senate adjourned on call of the President pro Tempore.

PAULA K. ROSSETTO, Minute Clerk

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