Prayer By the chaplain, Father Joseph Vigil, St. Joseph's Parish, Pueblo.

Presentation of Colors By the Pueblo Fire Department, IAFF Local 3.
   Members: Ken Kileuilen, Jeff Aube, Joey Gutierrez, John Dorland, and Adam Haman.
   Attending: Chief Shawn Shelton.

Pledge of Allegiance By Senator Garcia's sons, Jeremiah and Xan, and his nieces and nephews, Emmalyn,
   Jacqueline, Jasmine, Kourtney, Jake, and Logan.

Musical Presentation By The Sankey Sisters, Chelse Rollins and Chenia Sankey, from Pueblo. Performing
   "The Star-Spangled Banner" and a medley "America the Beautiful/God Bless America".

Call to Order The hour of 10:00 a.m. having arrived, the Senate of the 72nd General Assembly of the
   State of Colorado, pursuant to law, was called to order by Senator Kevin J. Grantham, President of the Senate.

LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

December 4, 2018
Effie Ameen, Secretary of the Senate
Max Majors, Assistant Secretary of the Senate
State Capitol Building
200 E. Colfax Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80203

RE: Resignation letter

This is to inform you that I am resigning my seat representing Senate District 17 in the Colorado state legislature effective the end of the day on January 1, 2019. Representing east Boulder County in the State Senate has been one of the highlights of my life and I am honored to represent such wonderful, engaged and caring people.

Sincerely,
Matt Jones

cc: Senate President-elect Leroy Garcia
    Senate Minority Leader-elect Chris Holbert
    Sharon Eubanks, Director of the Office of Legislative Legal Services

December 5, 2018
Colorado Senate Secretary
200 E. Colfax, Room 271
Denver, CO 80203
Dear Madame Secretary,

I write this letter to formally resign from the Colorado State Senate as the SD-14 Senator, effective at the close of business on January 2, 2019. Please consider this my official letter of resignation pursuant to C.R.S. 1-12-203(4).
I am deeply honored and humbled to have represented the people of Fort Collins and Larimer County in the Colorado General Assembly - six years in the Senate and six years in the House. These past 12 years have been an extraordinary journey that has granted me the privilege and opportunity to serve the people. Public service and civic engagement are hallmarks of a healthy and resilient representative democracy, and I've done my best to walk the talk. I've worked hard to unite folks and find common ground to affect policies that achieve systemic change in order to make meaningful differences in our communities and in the lives of individuals and families.

I am grateful to have worked side by side with you and our non-partisan team members, as well as the entire advocacy and political community - inside and outside the Capitol. Legislative Council and Legal Services staff members are dedicated, brilliant, hard working and very nice professionals - across the board. They exemplify - to the highest degree - public servants who care that we do our jobs well and serve the people of Colorado effectively. Honestly, I am going to miss you all, and I have a lot of mixed emotions; guess I will focus on gratitude.

The Larimer County Democratic Vacancy Committee for SD-14 will convene after you receive this letter and notices go out to committee members who will be charged with selecting my replacement according to rules and state laws. and always with an eye towards transparency and accountability. My goal is to have a qualified individual in place on January 4, 2019 - opening day of the First Regular Session of the 72nd General Assembly who will work hard and represent all the people of SD-14 with fairness, honesty and integrity. Thank you for your tireless commitment to good governance and to the people of Colorado. It has been one heck of a journey.

Sincerely,

(Signed)
John M. Kefalas
State Senator, Fort Collins (District 14)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Colorado
Department of State

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ss. CERTIFICATE
STATE OF COLORADO

I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State, certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Nomination by Vacancy Committee as filed in this office on January 2, 2019 by the Democratic 14th Senate District Vacancy Committee, appointing Joann Ginal to fill the vacancy in the office of Colorado State Senate, District 14, caused by the resignation of the honorable John Kefalas.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this fourth day of January 2019.

(signed)
Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State

STATE OF COLORADO
Department of State

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ss. CERTIFICATE
STATE OF COLORADO

I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State, certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Acceptance of Nomination by Vacancy Committee as filed in this office on January 2, 2019 by Joann Ginal, accepting the appointment of the Democratic 14th Senate District Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in the office of Colorado State Senate, District 14, caused by the resignation of the honorable John Kefalas.

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(signed)
Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State
State of Colorado
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I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State, certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Nomination by Vacancy Committee as filed in this office on January 2, 2019 by the Democratic 17th Senate District Vacancy Committee, appointing Mike Foote to fill the vacancy in the office of Colorado State Senate, District 17, caused by the resignation of the honorable Matt Jones.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this fourth day of January 2019.

(signed)
Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State

State of Colorado
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I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State, certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Acceptance of Nomination by Vacancy Committee as filed in this office on January 2, 2019 by Mike Foote, accepting the appointment of the Democratic 17th Senate District Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in the office of Colorado State Senate, District 17, caused by the resignation of the honorable Matt Jones.

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Roll Call

The roll call of holdover Senators was called with the following result: Present--Court, Crowder, Fenberg, Fields, Gardner, Hill, Kagan, Marble, Moreno, Priola, Smallwood, Tate, Todd, Williams, Zenzinger -- 15; Excused--Baumgardner -- 1; Total: 16.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE (cont'd)

State of Colorado
Department of State

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ss. CERTIFICATE
STATE OF COLORADO

I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, certify that I have canvassed the "Abstract of Votes Cast" submitted in the State of Colorado, and do state that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the attached list represents the total votes cast for the members of the Colorado State Senate for the 72nd General Assembly by the qualified electors of the State of Colorado in the November 6, 2018 General Election.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this 11th day of December 2018.

(signed)
Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State
## Colorado General Election Results
### November 6, 2018

### State Senator - District 1

**Counties:** CHEYENNE, ELBERT, KIT CARSON, LINCOLN, LOGAN, MORGAN, PHILLIPS, SEDGWICK, WASHINGTON, WELD, YUMA

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### State Senator - District 2

**Counties:** CLEAR CREEK, EL PASO, FREMONT, PARK, TELLER

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### State Senator - District 3

**Counties:** PUEBLO

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<td>14,253</td>
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### State Senator - District 5

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### State Senator - District 6

**Counties:** ARCHULETA, DOLORES, LA PLATA, MONTEZUMA, MONTROSE, OURAY, SAN JUAN, SAN MIGUEL

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### State Senator - District 7

**Counties:** MESA

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### State Senator - District 9

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### State Senator - District 13

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### State Senator - District 15

**Counties:** LARIMER

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### State Senator - District 16

**Counties:** BOULDER, DENVER, GILPIN, JEFFERSON

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### State Senator - District 24

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State Senator - District 30

Counties: DOUGLAS

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State Senator - District 32

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State Senator - District 34

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State of Colorado
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STATE OF COLORADO

I, Wayne W. Williams, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, certify that I have canvassed the "Abstract of Votes Cast" submitted in the State of Colorado, and do state that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the persons listed on the attached list were duly elected to the office of Colorado State Senate by the qualified electors of the State of Colorado in the November 6, 2018 General Election.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this 11th day of December 2018.

(signed)
Wayne W. Williams
Secretary of State

Colorado General Election Results
November 6, 2018

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Credentials Committee

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with unanimous consent of the Senate, a committee of three was appointed by the President as the Committee on Credentials. The President appointed Senators Fenberg, Chair, Fields, and Holbert as members of the Committee.

The President announced that the Senate would be in recess so that the Committee on Credentials could meet and prepare its report.

Senate in recess. Senate reconvened.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

January 4, 2019

Mr. President:

Your committee on credentials, to which was referred the list of the members of the Senate for the 72nd General Assembly of the State of Colorado, transmitted by the Secretary of State, begs leave to report that the persons named therein constitute a true and correct list of the members as shown by the election certificate and records in the office of the Secretary of State, and your committee recommends that the list so furnished and read be adopted as the temporary roll call of the Senate of the 72nd General Assembly of the State of Colorado.

(signed) Majority Leader Fenberg, Chair
Assistant Majority Leader Fields
Minority Leader Holbert

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, the report of the committee on Credentials was read and adopted by unanimous consent of the Senate.
On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with unanimous consent of the Senate, a committee of three was appointed by the President as the Committee to wait upon Chief Justice Nathan B. Coats of the Colorado Supreme Court and request him to administer the oath of office to the Senators-elect.

The President appointed Senators Danielson, Gardner, and Lee as members of the Committee and announced that the Senate would be in recess until the return of the Committee with Chief Justice Coats.

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Senate in recess. Senate reconvened.

The Senate Chief Sergeant-at-Arms, Frank Lombardi, announced the arrival of the Committee and the Chief Justice.

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Oath of Office

Chief Justice Nathan B. Coats of the Colorado Supreme Court administered the Oath of Office to the Senators-elect.

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Senate in recess. Senate reconvened.

Roll Call

The roll call of the Senators-elect was called with the following result: Present--Cooke, Coram, Danielson, Donovan, Foote, Garcia, Ginal, Gonzales, Hisey, Holbert, Lee, Lundeen, Pettersen, Rodriguez, Scott, Sonnenberg, Story, Winter, Woodward -- Total: 19.

Quorum

The President announced the temporary roll call of the Senate--34 present, 0 absent, and 1 excused, and that a quorum was present.

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On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with the unanimous consent of the Senate, the temporary roll call of the Senate was made the permanent roll call of the Senate.

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Election of President

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg and seconded by Minority Leader Holbert, Senator Leroy M. Garcia was nominated as President of the Senate.

Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the nominations for President of the Senate be closed and that a unanimous vote be cast for Senator Leroy M. Garcia. The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

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Senator Kevin J. Grantham, President of the Senate in the 71st General Assembly of the State of Colorado presented the gavel to Senator Leroy M. Garcia, President of the Senate in the 72nd General Assembly of the State of Colorado.

____________

Election of President

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg and seconded by Minority Leader Holbert, Senator Lois Court was nominated as President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the nominations for President Pro Tempore of the Senate be closed and that a unanimous vote be cast for Senator Lois Court. The motion was adopted by unanimous vote.
SJR19-001

by Senator(s) Fenberg, Garcia, Holbert; also Representative(s) Garnett, Becker, Neville--Concerning the adoption of the Joint Rules as the temporary Joint Rules of the Seventy-second General Assembly.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, the resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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SR19-001

by Senator(s) Fenberg, Garcia, Holbert--Concerning the temporary Rules of the Senate.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, the resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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Election of Secretary

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, Cindi L. Markwell was nominated to serve as Secretary of the Senate during the First Regular Session of the Seventy-second General Assembly of the State of Colorado.

Oath of Office

The President administered the oath of office to Cindi L. Markwell.

A majority of all members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the motion for the election of Cindi L. Markwell as Secretary of the Senate was adopted.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with unanimous consent of the Senate, the President appointed Senators Lundeen, Rodriguez, and Story as members of the Committee to Notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was organized and ready for business.

A majority of all members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the motion was adopted.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with unanimous consent of the Senate, the President appointed Senators Gonzales, Kagan, and Smallwood as members of the Committee to Notify the Governor that the Senate was organized and ready for business.

A majority of all members elected to the Senate having voted in the affirmative, the motion was adopted.

Senate in recess. Senate reconvened.
MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

January 4, 2019

Mr. President:

The House has adopted and transmits herewith HJR19-1001, as printed in House Journal, January 4, 2019.

The House has adopted and returns herewith SJR19-001.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS (cont’d)

HJR19-1001 by Representative(s) Garnett, Becker, Neville; also Senator(s) Fenberg, Garcia, Holbert--Concerning a Joint Session of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Seventy-second General Assembly for the purpose of canvassing the votes for certain officials at the election held November 6, 2018.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, the resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

January 3, 2019

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203

Ms. Natalie Mullis:

As you know, Senate rules require that as the Majority Leader, I determine the committee composition and the majority party's appointments to the 2019 Legislative Committees of Reference. Below are the committee compositions and the Majority's appointments.

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**Agriculture and Natural Resources**  
Senator Kerry Donovan - Chair  
Senator-elect Jessie Danielson - Vice Chair  
Senator-elect Joann Ginal  

**Appropriations**  
Senator Rachel Zenzinger - Chair  
Senator-elect Julie Gonzales  
Senator Dominick Moreno - Vice Chair  
Senator-elect Mike Foote  
Senator-elect Robert Rodriguez  
Senator Nancy Todd  

**Business, Labor and Technology**  
Senator Angela Williams - Chair  
Senator-elect Jessie Danielson - Vice Chair  
Senator-elect Tammy Story  

**Education**  
Senator Nancy Todd - Chair  
Senator-elect Tammy Story - Vice Chair  
Senator Daniel Kagan  

**Finance**  
Senator Lois Court - Chair  
Senator-elect Pete Lee - Vice Chair  
Senator Nancy Todd  
Senator-elect Julie Gonzales  

**Health and Human Service**  
Senator Rhonda Fields - Chair  
Senator-elect Brittany Pettersen - Vice Chair  
Senator-elect Faith Winter  

**Judiciary**  
Senator-elect Pete Lee - Chair  
Senator-elect Julie Gonzales - Vice Chair  
Senator-elect Robert Rodriguez  

**Local Government**  
Senator Joann Ginal - Chair  
Senator Angela Williams - Vice Chair  
Senator Daniel Kagan  
State Affairs  
Senator Mike Foote - Chair  
Senator Lois Court - Vice Chair  
Senator Rhonda Fields  

**Transportation and Energy**  
Senator-elect Faith Winter - Chair  
Senator-elect Brittany Pettersen - Vice Chair  
Senator Mike Foote  
Senator Kerry Donovan  

I am happy to answer any questions you may have.  

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
Steve Fenberg  
Majority Leader  

Cc: The Honorable Leroy M. Garcia, Jr, Senate President-designate  
The Honorable Chris Holbert, Senate Minority Leader  
The Honorable John Cooke, Senate Assistant Minority Leader  
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker of the House of Representatives  
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader  
The Office of the Secretary of the Senate  
Marilyn Eddins, Clerk of the House  
Sharon Eubanks, Director of OLLS  
Susan Liddle
December 7, 2018

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to Senate Rules, the Minority Leader is responsible for assigning members of the Senate Minority Caucus to Senate Committees of Reference. For the Seventy-Second General Assembly, the Minority members of the Senate Committees of Reference are:

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Respectfully yours,

(signed)

Chris Holbert
Senate Minority Leader
January 3, 2019

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203

Ms. Natalie Mullis:

Please be advised that, pursuant to C.R.S. § 2-3-301, I am appointing Senators Leroy Garcia, Steve Fenberg, Lois Court, Angela Williams and Senator Dominick Moreno to serve on Legislative Council effective immediately.

Sincerely,

(signed)
Leroy M. Garcia, Jr.
Senate President

Cc: The Honorable Chris Holbert, Senate Minority Leader
The Honorable John Cooke, Senate Assistant Minority Leader
The Honorable K C Becker, Speaker of the House of Representatives
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
Cindi Markwell, Secretary of the Senate
Marilyn Eddins, Clerk of the House
Sharon Eubanks, Director of OLLS
Susan Liddle

November 14, 2018

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to 2-3-301, CRS, I am pleased to appoint Senators John Cooke, Ray Scott, and Vicki Marble to serve with me on the Legislative Council for the 72nd General Assembly. These Appointments are effective immediately.

Respectfully yours,

(signed)
Chris Holbert
Senate Majority Leader, 71st General Assembly
Senate Minority Leader, 72nd General Assembly

Cc: The Honorable Leroy Garcia, Senate President-elect
The Honorable Stephen Fenberg, Senate Majority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker-designee
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Vicki Marble
The Honorable Ray Scott
The Honorable John Cooke
Effie Ameen, Secretary of the Senate
Marilyn Eddins, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
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Sharon Eubanks, Director OLLS

January 2, 2019

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203
Ms. Natalie Mullis:

Please be advised that, pursuant to CRS § 2-3-502, I am appointing Senators-elect Pete Lee Robert Rodriguez, and Mike Foote to serve on the Committee on Legal Services effective immediately.

Sincerely,

(signed)

Leroy M. Garcia, Jr.
Senate President

Cc: The Honorable Chris Holbert, Senate Minority Leader
The Honorable John Cooke, Senate Assistant Minority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker of the House of Representatives
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
Cindi Markwell, Secretary of the Senate
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Susan Liddle

November 14, 2018

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to 2-3-502, CRS, I am pleased to appoint Senators Bob Gardner and John Cooke to serve on the Committee on Legal Services for the 72nd General Assembly. These Appointments are effective immediately.

Respectfully yours,

(signed)

Chris Holbert
Senate Minority Leader

Cc: The Honorable LCleroy García, Senate President-elect
The Honorable Stephen Fenberg, Senate Majority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker-designee
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Bob Gardner
The Honorable John Cooke
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January 3, 2019

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203

Ms. Natalie Mullis:

Please be advised that, pursuant to C.R.S. § 2-3-101, I am appointing Senators Rhonda Fields and Nancy Todd to serve on Legislative Audit Committee effective immediately.

Sincerely,

(signed)

Leroy M. Garcia, Jr.
Senate President
November 14, 2018

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to 2-3-101, CRS, I am pleased to appoint Senator Jim Smallwood and Senator-elect Paul Lundeen to serve on the Legislative Audit Committee for the 72nd General Assembly.

These appointments are effective immediately.

Respectfully yours,
(signed)
Chris Holbert
Senate Minority Leader

Cc: The Honorable Leroy Garcia, Senate President-elect
The Honorable Stephen Fenberg, Senate Majority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker-elect
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Jim Smallwood
The Honorable Paul Lundeen
Effie Ameen, Secretary of the Senate
Marilyn Eddins, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
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Sharon Eubanks, Director OLLS

December 19, 2018

Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203

Ms. Natalie Mullis:

Please be advised that, pursuant to CRS §2-3-1302, I am appointing Senator Rhonda Fields and Senator-elect Tammy Story to serve on the Capital Development Committee effective December 15, 2018.

Sincerely,
(signed)
Leroy M. Garcia, Jr.
Senate President

Cc: The Honorable Chris Holbert, Senate Minority Leader
The Honorable John Cooke, Senate Assistant Minority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker of the House of Representatives
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
Max Majors, Assistant Secretary of the Senate
Marilyn Eddins, Clerk of the House
Sharon Eubanks, Director of OLLS
Susan Liddle
November 14, 2018
Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203
Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to 2-3-1302, CRS, I am pleased to appoint Senator Jerry Sonnenberg to serve on the Capital Development Committee for the 72nd General Assembly. This appointment is effective immediately.

Respectfully yours,
(signed)
Chris Holbert
Senate Minority Leader
Cc: The Honorable Leroy Garcia, Senate President-elect
The Honorable Stephen Fenberg, Senate Majority Leader
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker-designee
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Jerry Sonnenberg
Effie Ameen, Secretary of the Senate
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January 2, 2019
Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director
Office of Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax Ave., Room 029
Denver, CO 80203
Ms. Natalie Mullis:

Please be advised that, pursuant to CRS §2-3-1702, I am appointing Senator Nancy Todd and Senator Lois Court to serve on the Joint Technology Committee effective immediately.

Sincerely,
(signed)
Leroy M. Garcia, Jr.
Senate President
Cc: The Honorable Chris Holbert, Senate Minority Leader
The Honorable John Cooke, Senate Assistant Minority Leader
The Honorable K C Becker, Speaker of the House of Representatives
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader
Cindi Markwell, Secretary of the Senate
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Susan Liddle

November 14, 2018
Ms. Natalie Mullis
Executive Director, Legislative Council
200 E. Colfax, Rm 029
Denver, CO 80203
Dear Director Mullis,

Pursuant to 2-3-1702, CRS, I am pleased to appoint Senator Jack Tate to serve on the Joint Technology Committee for the 72nd General Assembly. This appointment is effective immediately.
Respectfully yours,  
(signed)  
Chris Holbert  
Senate Minority Leader  

Cc: The Honorable Leroy Garcia, Senate President-elect  
The Honorable Stephen Fenberg, Senate Majority Leader  
The Honorable KC Becker, Speaker-elect  
The Honorable Patrick Neville, House Minority Leader  
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APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY COMMITTEES  

Legislative Council  
Pursuant to Section 2-3-301, C.R.S., the President and Minority Leader appointed  
President Garcia and Senators Fenberg, Holbert, Cooke, Court, Marble, Moreno, Scott,  
and Williams as members of the Legislative Council Committee.  
Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the appointments to the Legislative Council  
Committee be confirmed. The motion was adopted by the following roll call vote:  

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Legal Services  
Pursuant to Section 2-3-502, C.R.S., the President and Minority Leader appointed  
Senators Cooke, Foote, Gardner, Lee, and Rodriguez as members of the Committee on Legal Services.  
Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the appointments to the Committee on Legal Services be confirmed. The motion was adopted by the following roll call vote:  

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Legislative Pursuant to Section 2-3-101, C.R.S., the President and Minority Leader appointed Senators Fields, Lundeen, Smallwood, and Todd as members of the Legislative Audit Committee.

Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the appointments to the Legislative Audit Committee be confirmed. The motion was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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Capital Pursuant to Section 2-3-1302, C.R.S., the President and Minority Leader appointed Senators Fields, Sonnenberg, and Story as members of the Capital Development Committee.

Majority Leader Fenberg moved that the appointments to the Capital Development Committee be confirmed. The motion was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with the unanimous consent of those elected to the Senate, the Senate stood in recess to hear the opening day remarks of Senate President Leroy M. Garcia and Senate Minority Leader Chris Holbert.

The text of President Garcia's remarks follow.


Good morning. It is an honor and privilege for me to welcome you to the Senate chamber as we open the 72nd General Assembly.

I want to welcome our returning members and especially congratulate our newly elected Senators. Will each of you please stand as I call your name:

- Senator Dennis Hisey;
- Senator Paul Lundeen;
- Senator Pete Lee;
- Senator Joann Ginal;
- Senator Rob Woodward;
- Senator Tammy Story;
- Senator Mike Foote;
- Senator Jessie Danielson;
- Senator Brittany Pettersen;
- Senator Faith Winter;
- Senator Robert Rodriguez;
- And Senator Julie Gonzales.

Please join me in giving them a warm welcome to this historic chamber.
If you look around, you might notice that this body looks a little different than it has in the past. That is because not only do we have a majority of women in the Democratic Caucus, but we also have one of the most demographically and geographically diverse caucuses in recent history.

New leaders bring bold solutions that will carry our great state forward. Institutional knowledge combined with new perspectives will move us towards a better future for every Coloradan.

As my returning colleagues know, it is a unique honor and privilege to work in this body and serve the people of this great state. It is a privilege each of you have worked extremely hard for and overwhelmingly earned.

But you would not be here if it were not for the love and support of your families and friends.

Let us take a moment to show our appreciation for everyone who made your leadership possible.

In that spirit, I too would like to give a special thank you to my family.

To my parents who are with us today - thank you for teaching my brothers and me the importance of respecting others, treating all with compassion, and always living with love in your heart!

To my brothers - Jake and Evan. I know it took both of you a little longer than me to learn those values I just spoke about, but you both finally got them! But all kidding aside, thank you for your service to our country.

While many of you may know that I served in the Marine Corps, you may not know that Jake and Evan also served in the Marines in Iraq and Afghanistan.

If there are any members who have served our country either in the armed services, as a member of law enforcement, or public safety, would you please stand so that we may thank you for your service.

To my sons - Jeremiah and Xan. I am so incredibly proud of the young men you have become. Jeremiah recently received a nomination to West Point and the Merchant Marines and Xan is following in his brother’s footsteps with exceptional grades and is also becoming quite the soccer player.

To the love of my life - My wife Michelle. I am so grateful for your love and support. Not only for everything you do as the rock of our family, but for the amazing person you are, day-in and day-out, through your work assisting families and youth. You are truly an amazing woman and I am so grateful that you asked me to marry you. I love you.

Finally, I would like to thank all of the special guests who have joined us today to ring in the 2019 legislative session.

As a sixth generation Coloradan, I have deep roots and a strong commitment to our state.

My family came to the United States, and eventually settled in southern Colorado. Like so many immigrants, they came in search of greater opportunity. Even though my family only spoke Spanish at the time, it did not slow them down or discourage them. Not one bit.

My great grandfathers worked the coal mines and the fields where they lived and learned the value of hard work. They lived their American Dream - a dream that would become a reality by providing a better life for their families.

This value of hard work has been passed down from generation to generation, eventually shared with my parents who started a small, modest business in Pueblo.

They worked hard to provide a good life for my brothers and me. Watching them, we too learned the value of hard work, which was an invaluable lesson that served us well when we enlisted in the Marine Corps.

For me, it was during that time that I learned not only the importance of service and honor, but to care for and respect my brothers and sisters in arms, regardless of where they came from or what their political views were. That was never truer than when I served in Iraq.
It did not matter who was to your left or right. We understood that we had a collective mission - and we had to have each other's back!

It is that understanding of hard work and spirit of collaboration that we must bring back to the Capitol.

For too long, we have allowed political party to divide us. As a result, ego and politics determined what bills moved forward - not the merits of the policy.

Our state deserves better.

Our constituents expect more of us.

Unlike in Washington, D.C. - this Senate must bring a new energy that will yield a standard of trust and respect. We must engage in dialogue and collaboration. This is how we will find common ground and solutions to the bread and butter issues facing everyday Coloradans.

Coloradans did not elect us to engage in gamesmanship. They elected us to work, to reach across the aisle, and to have an open and working government that finds solutions to help them live their American Dream.

Make no mistake - Colorado is growing and prospering, but not everyone feels that growth and prosperity.

Too many cannot afford the healthcare they need.

Too many have died at the hands of opioids, and many more struggle with drug abuse and addiction.

Too many earn lesser pay for equal work.

Too many children in Colorado do not have equal access to a quality K-12 education.

And too many are saddled with tens of thousands of dollars of student loan debt.

But Coloradans do not give up in the face of challenges like these, and neither can we. Colorado is a special place - it is a state filled with people who innovate and find solutions, and I am absolutely confident that this body will be able to find many of those solutions.

Solutions that build on the steps we have taken to address the opioid epidemic by making greater investments into programs with a proven record of success.

Solutions that ensure student loan servicers do not take advantage of students in Colorado.

Solutions that help lower the cost of healthcare by increasing price transparency for prescription drugs.

And solutions that show Colorado can be a state that not only creates a booming business climate and grows good-paying jobs, but one that also values workers and pays them fairly.

I know each member of this Senate is different. And while we may disagree and debate about the solutions to the issues facing our state, we cannot allow our political differences to get in the way of our shared goals: to serve with honor and to improve the lives of hardworking Coloradans.

We - Democrats and Republicans - can accomplish these goals if we put our egos aside. I have no doubt that all of us can agree that we are most successful when we work together.

So, let us today mark a new day for the Colorado State Senate. A Senate where we return to our tradition of honor, trust, and integrity.

A Senate that has an unwavering commitment to take care of every Coloradan, no matter where they live.

Political parties do not determine what improves the lives of Coloradans. Good policy does, and no one party has a monopoly on good ideas.

That is why we should be willing to work with anyone - regardless of party - who has a solution to the serious issues that Colorado faces.
If we are willing to work hard and collaborate, we can empower every Coloradan to live their American Dream - just like my family and so many families in this room have been able to do - and ensure we pass on a better Colorado to our children and grandchildren.

It is a big task, but I know we can do it.

So, let's get to work.

President Garcia recognized Minority Leader Holbert to address the Senate.

The text of Minority Leader Holbert's remarks follow.

Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, Mr. Majority Leader, members, family, and guests. Welcome.

To the people of Colorado:

Your state Senate has convened for the first regular session of the Seventy-Second General Assembly. Today, we begin the 143rd legislative year of the great state of Colorado.

Each General Assembly is seated for a two-year term. Seventy-two times two equals one hundred and forty-four. That will take us through next year, 2020, the 144th year since statehood in 1876.

There is great history here at our state Capitol, much of which points to a time fifteen years before statehood, to 1861. Colorado became a United States Territory on February 28 of that year. Four days later, Abraham Lincoln, known as a "Man of the West," was inaugurated as the sixteenth President of the United States and, the first President inaugurated during the existence of the new Colorado Territory. Just a few weeks after that, on April 12, 1861, the first shots rang out at Fort Sumter in the harbor of Charleston South Carolina and the Civil War began.

If you visit the west steps of the Capitol, you'll find a Civil War Memorial. The figure of a Union soldier stands atop that memorial. Upon close inspection, you will find an inscription that explains that, while the population of the new Colorado Territory was relatively small, a higher percentage of that newly established Territory went to fight in the Civil War than of any state of that time.

Since the beginning, Colorado has been a place to which people are drawn and from which people are willing to give.

Imagine if you will, the struggle of one person, one man or woman, let alone a family, to cross the Great Plains. Whether by wagon or horseback, some by foot, to cross Missouri or Iowa, then Kansas or Nebraska, then all the way across Senate District One, which stretches from Kansas and Nebraska to the eastern suburbs of Metro Denver. And, for those courageous individuals to finally reach the foothills and to see the majestic Rocky Mountains for the first time.

Those risk takers began to establish new homes, roads, industry, and schools. Then, upon hearing that war had broken out, many turned back and made that journey again by wagon, horseback, or foot.

Again, since the beginning, Colorado has been a place to which people are drawn and from which people are willing to give.

Ultimately, that Great Civil War was won and the Union preserved. One great General of that time led the Union Army straight down the middle of the south, burned Atlanta, and drove all the way to Savannah Georgia. That General was William Tecumseh Sherman.

Another great General of that time later became the 18th President of the United States. On August 1, 1876, one hundred years and twenty-eight days after the Declaration of Independence, President Ulysses S. Grant signed the Proclamation that admitted Colorado into the Union as the thirty-eighth state, the Centennial State.

Now, to treasures hidden in plain sight.
Note the street that borders our state Capitol to the west. It is, of course, Lincoln Street. To the east, Grant Street borders the Capitol. And, for those of us blessed to serve here in the Colorado Senate, when we come here to the well to speak, we stand above what would be the centerline of Sherman Street, which intersects the Capitol Building north-to-south.

So many have struggled and died to defend this nation and the Constitution upon which it is founded. Most know the Constitution of these United States. "We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union…" But, some people never consider the fact that each state has its own Constitution. And, few have likely read their state Constitution. Here in Colorado, ours is more an evolving book than a lasting foundational document as is the US Constitution.

The People of Colorado have, over time, amended our state Constitution many times in many ways. Just this past year, we the People of Colorado amended our state Constitution to provide for more transparent redistricting of Congressional and state legislative districts. We, finally, removed reference to slavery. And, we shed a state-specific definition of hemp.

Ours is a complex and unique constitution. For example, here in Colorado, our state Constitution protects your right to keep and bear arms and your right to grow up to six marijuana plants. Like I said, it's an evolving book.

Over the years, the People of Colorado have also amended our state constitution to create a rather unique legislature. One that offers some points of certainty that are rare among the states and, which in culmination, have established a truly unique state legislature.

Starting on Wednesday, November 1, 1876 until 1950, the Colorado General Assembly met every-other-year. Since 1951, the General Assembly has met every year. As you can learn in the Hall of Presidents, located just outside the office of the Senate President, from 1876 until 1974, the Lieutenant Governor served as President of the Senate in a role similar to how the Vice President of the United States serves as President of the United States Senate. Then, in November 1974, the People of Colorado voted to amend Article V, Section 10, of our state Constitution. That amendment, as we witnessed here this morning, allows us, the thirty-five Senators, to elect one of our own to serve as Senate President.

In 1988, the People of Colorado voted to amend our state constitution to limit the amount of time that we, the members of the General Assembly, may meet each year in general session to no more than 120 days. While it is common for states to limit general session length, many states allow their Governor, legislature, or some combination of the two, to extend session time. Not so here in Colorado.

One thing that is certain is that this general session will end at or before midnight, Friday, May third, the one hundred and twentieth day of this session. Nothing we might do past that moment would be constitutional. There cannot be a one hundred and twenty-first day of this session. Even via a special session, there can be no additional time added to a Colorado general session.

As I like to share with school kids who tour our Capitol, at or before midnight of the one hundred and twentieth day, our crystal carriage of law-making authority will turn back into a pumpkin and we citizen legislators will be citizens again, just like everyone else. Why? Because, the People of Colorado wanted it that way.

The People of Colorado also voted in 1988 to approve a Constitutional amendment known as "GAVEL," an acronym for "Give a Vote to Every Legislator." Seventy-two percent of the people who voted that year did so in support of GAVEL. So, what did that amendment do? It removed pocket veto from our legislative process. Here in Colorado, no one legislator can kill a bill. Not the Speaker of the House or the President of the Senate, neither of the Majority Leaders, nor any committee chairperson.

No, here in Colorado, either a simple majority of committee members present at the time of a vote or a simple majority of all members elected to a chamber is required to pass or kill a bill. In Congress and probably in some other state legislatures, if a committee chairperson does not agree with a bill, then he or she can simply not schedule that bill for a hearing. Thus, an issue, a bill, that is important to a member, probably one of a Minority Caucus, would never be heard. There would be no contentious hearing or divisive press resulting from such a bill. It simply wouldn't happen and the bill would be quietly dismissed.

Here in Colorado, GAVEL requires that every bill that is introduced must receive a hearing. In Colorado, hearings before House or Senate Committees of Reference are
public events where anyone can offer his or her perspective, for or against, a bill. Thus, this General Assembly is sometimes described as being one of or possibly the most contentious of all state legislatures. I say, no to such observations.

Yes, our committee hearings can last many hours, occasionally through an entire night, with significant numbers of people voicing their support or opposition. In Congress one must be invited, summoned, or even subject to subpoena in order to testify before a committee. Not so here in Colorado. Whether one is a member of the Majority or the Minority, his or her bills must be heard. And, whether a constituent agrees or disagrees with that bill, he or she will also be heard.

It isn't a matter of Coloradans being more contentious, it's that our state constitution requires us to have those conversations and to allow the People their say on each and every bill. Why? Because the People of Colorado wanted it that way.

Another constitutional certainty is that we will, once again, pass a budget this year. It's the one bill that our state constitution requires of us. Mr. President, if it's acceptable to you, might we take up the Long Bill today, pass it quickly, and adjourn sine die before month end?

Not only will we pass a budget again this year, given the make up of the Joint Budget Committee, we will pass that budget with bi-partisan support. And, that budget will be balanced because, again, our state constitution requires it. Why? Because the People of Colorado wanted it that way.

In November 1992, the People of Colorado voted to amend our state Constitution to include the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights or "TABOR." Thus, unlike Congress in Washington, DC, this legislative body does not have the authority to create a new tax without a vote of the People. We cannot raise an existing tax rate without a vote of the People. Why? Because the majority of People who voted in 1992, 54% actually, wanted it that way. They amended our state constitution to take such power away from elected officials throughout Colorado and reserve it to them, the People.

Mr. President that fact gives me confidence. Looking back to the elections last November, it is clear that the People of Colorado voted with you when it came to candidates and they voted with me when it came to issues.

The People have given you and your Party majority control of both chambers of our state legislature for the next two years and that of the Governor's office for the next four years. They also said "No" to tax increases, unequal taxation, and to government taking and redistributing a larger portion of their success.

The message that I hear is that the People of Colorado expect us, their state legislature, to be more accountable, to provide greater return to them, for the already increasing number of dollars we currently take from them. Once again, the People of Colorado have said "No" to higher rates of taxation until we provide better return for their current tax payments.

Again, Mr. President, this gives me confidence. As has been stated annually by prior Minority Leaders, we will have our say, but not our way. We have the voice, but not the votes.

Mr. President, I believe that we here in the Senate, have a unique opportunity over the next two hundred and thirty-nine session days to demonstrate effective leadership, to honor the will of the People in both who and what they supported last November.

For example, fifty-five percent of those who voted last November agreed with their neighbors, family, and friends who work in the Colorado oil and gas industry. They recognized the irreplaceable value of severance taxes to their schools. They embraced the importance of a well-regulated industry that accounts for, by some estimates, over $30 billion dollars of positive annual economic impact here in Colorado.

Mr. President, a majority of those voters supported your candidates. And, a majority of those same voters said "No" to Proposition 112. Once again, we have witnessed a fascinating outcome in a Colorado election. Moving forward, will we work together this session and next to prove them right on their policy positions or will we prove them wrong on their support of candidates?

Mr. President, seeing you take that gavel this morning gives me confidence that the "adults in the room" as referenced by former capitol reporter Peter Marcus, will continue to be found here in the upper chamber, the Senate.
Mr. President, you know better than any other current member of this body the risk of alienating constituents, of pushing too far. Not that you have done those things yourself. No, like me you were a witness to the events of 2013 and you deserve credit for the time and effort you have devoted to healing relationships and to restore trust among constituents. Mr. President, you accomplished that by the way you have represented the People of Senate District three since your election to the Senate in 2014.

Mr. President, the Minority Caucus looks to you, your even hand, and your experience, to be the gauge for how far left or right we might journey over the next two years. For the past four sessions, Senate Republicans served to balance House Democrats and vice versa. Most bills, a high point of 62% of all bills introduced in 2017, passed through both chambers. Governor Hickenlooper vetoed just two bills that year. Nothing too far left or right made it to his desk. And, it was that way for six of the eight years that he served as our Governor.

Now, Mr. President, that balance rests with you and I'm grateful that you hold that gavel.

Mr. Majority Leader, congratulations on achieving what is in my opinion, the best position in this chamber and having done so after only two years in the Senate. With term limits, it is more common to see members serve in that capacity during their final two years in this chamber, which makes you and I rather rare exceptions.

As we have discussed previously, I stand ready to work with you to keep the Senate on track, within the rules, and for our work here to be accomplished by midnight of the one hundred and twentieth day.

Yours is a fascinating job that requires you to juggle the demands of thirty-four other members, a Calendar controlled by Rule, a clock that never stops ticking, and an army of critics who think that you have far more power than you actually do. Make good motions, Mr. Majority Leader, and know that I'm here to help if you need me.

Mr. Majority Leader, I take confidence in your leadership too. I'm not offended when someone disagrees with me. Over the past two years, I've witnessed you return that same courtesy to me and to others.

Our constitution establishes that we come here as thirty-five co-equal members. We aren't just allowed to disagree; it's not just something to be tolerated. No, the unique perspectives of the people who live in diverse communities throughout Colorado deserve equal consideration here in this place. Why? Because the People of Colorado wanted it that way.

Last session, the General Assembly conducted a survey of the Members of the Legislative Workplace. Participants included legislators, partisan and non-partisan staff, security officers, lobbyists, and others who regularly work and conduct business in the Capitol complex. Of those participants, eighty-three percent responded that they would recommend to a family member or friend the Capitol complex as a place to work. Eighty-seven percent responded that they feel respected here in the Capitol complex. Ninety-three percent responded that they feel comfortable working here and ninety-five percent responded that they feel safe working here.

But, Mr. President, we agree that ninety-five percent isn't good enough. We agree with your call for higher standards. We offer thanks to Senators Moreno, Gardner, Winter, and former Senator Martinez-Humenik, along with former Speaker Duran and Representative Ransom for their work on the Legislative Workplace Interim Study Committee. That committee produced a list of policy recommendations that had received their unanimous support. Those recommendations were delivered to the prior Executive Committee, which approved those policy changes unanimously. Moving forward, now that the President and the Speaker have been elected and our current Executive Committee is seated, we will move forward to address those recommendations made by the Interim Committee that did not receive unanimous support during the Interim.

Mr. President, Mr. Majority Leader, I look forward with working with you and our House counterparts to finalize the policy and, ultimately, Rule changes necessary to improve the process by which complaints are handled. Ultimately, Mr. President, that we provide a workplace where all who participate here in the Capitol complex are respected and included.
Colleagues, I look forward to hearing your perspectives and learning how the constituents who you represent see the world, how they view the hundreds of issues, the bills, that we will consider over the next 119 days.

What will Republicans do over the next two years? We will stand for this Constitution and we will stand with the People who gave it to us.

We will continue our efforts to fund roads and bridges with existing revenues. We have heard from Governor-elect Polis that he does not support new proposals for a sales tax increase. We agree with him. He has stated that he does not support further bonding proposals. On that, we disagree.

Last year, Senate Bill One proposed bonding as a solution to an estimated nine billion dollars of transportation infrastructure need. Initially, Senate Bill One received zero bi-partisan support here in the Senate. Ultimately, however, the amended version of Senate Bill One received unanimous support in this very chamber.

When we gathered with Governor Hickenlooper in the Big Thompson Canyon for the signing of Senate Bill One into law, we celebrated that significant bi-partisan accomplishment. We continue to credit the good Senator from District 19 for her tenacity, leadership, and patience in her effort to amend Senate Bill 18-001.

The amended version of the bonding proposal from Senate Bill One is now law and we support the opportunity for the People of Colorado to consider that option on their ballot this November. No, it is not a duplication of Proposition 109, which failed last November. It is disappointing to hear that the Majority may intend to remove that bonding opportunity from statute with new legislation this session while Senate Republicans support the opportunity for voters to answer that different bonding question.

Senate Republicans will continue to support additional funding for roads and bridges. For the past two years, we have called on at least three hundred million dollars of General Fund revenue for roads and bridges. We have advocated that using that amount from the General Fund as the revenue source to pay for bonding. And, we have invited feedback by asking those who disagree with our proposal, if not $300 million per year for bonding, then how much for how long?

This session, like the last, it appears that tax revenues will exceed the prior year by over one billion dollars. Some estimates put that additional, new, revenue amount at one point two billion dollars.

To that point, Senators Scott and Cooke will introduce a bill to add three hundred thirty-six million dollars for roads and bridges. That funding would enhance the amount already provided by Senate Bill One from last session.

To K-12 education, we propose allocating that same amount, three hundred and thirty-six million dollars to buy down the so-called budget stabilization factor, previously known as the negative factor. That IOU was written to Colorado’s 178 school districts in 2009. The amount of that IOU currently rests at six hundred seventy-two million dollars. Our proposal for three hundred and thirty-six million would cut that in half this year.

It's time that we take a bold step in allocating equal portions of that 1.2 billion dollars additional revenue to buy down the negative factor and improve Colorado roads and bridges.

To address another chronic K-12 education issue, Senator Hill will bring legislation to reduce compliance requirements for the 147 Colorado rural school districts. How many times have members of the House or Senate Education Committees heard from a rural school principal who drives a school bus, shovels the sidewalks, plows the parking lot, and coaches the team before he or she sits down to write a grant request and complete the numerous reports that we require of him or her? Colleagues, with every dollar strained to meet the growing needs of Colorado students and their teachers, it's time for us to get government out of the way by allowing them to teach more and administer less.

During my first session working here at the Colorado Capitol, I became familiar with the Sunrise Application process then used by the Department of Regulatory Agencies (“DORA”). That process was developed by the late Representative Jerry Kopel, a Denver Democrat, as a means to limit the growth of government. That application was required of any group of previously unregulated businesspersons seeking to be regulated through registration or licensing.
Back in 2002, the Sunrise Application started by asking the "what is the problem that you're trying to solve. And, second, should government be involved in solving that problem? Too often, in my opinion, the second question defaults to how government will be involved in solving that problem. For Senate Republicans, we remain open to the possibility that government should not, in certain cases, presume to be the solution; that sometimes, the private sector deserves space to be the solution.

Such is the case when we consider an expensive and inflexible requirement that employers provide paid family leave. Such a benefit when provided on a voluntary basis could make certain employers more competitive and attractive to potential employees. However, requiring Colorado employers to provide such a benefit will, by default, make the cost of employing a person more expensive.

We understand the desire to help, but this is an example of where requiring such expense is not the answer. Yes, encourage employers to offer such a benefit, allow them to be unique and competitive in the marketplace, provide some incentive to employers for offering such a benefit. But, we urge you colleagues, don't require conditions that will ultimately lead to government forcing one company after another out of business, one job after another to no longer exist.

We also respect the desire to help those caught up in the opioid crisis. We are grateful to those members who have given their time to interim committee consideration of how government can best be involved in addressing this painful scar on our culture. I respect the personal experiences of the good Senator from District 22. I too have dealt with a parent who has struggled with addiction. But, we hear the concerns of constituents who recognize the danger of government-sanctioned injection sites. Constituents who rightly recognize the dangers of facilitating heroin use in their communities and who reject the notion that such is somehow safe.

Senate Republicans will also honor the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution which states, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized."

We urge you, colleagues, to consider those words. Rather than empower government to search for things that our courts or law enforcement may not know actually exist in one or more locations known or unknown, let's work together to provide greater mental health resources to those in need. Rather than empower government to seize property, let's focus on securing help for those persons who need our help the most.

For opioid addition, red flag scenarios, and other instances when people cry out for help, let us avoid rewarding bad behavior or trampling on the Constitution. Rather, let us work together to provide more and better mental health resources including beds, mental and physical health care, and healing for those who need our help the most.

Mr. President, the Senate Minority Caucus understands that bills are made of words and numbers on paper. We understand that if you are seeking one hundred something's, and we are advocating fifty something's, then maybe seventy-five something's would be a reasonable place to compromise.

We also understand that when dealing in the medium of words, that bills have dozens, hundreds, or even thousands of them... words. If we agree on the problem to be solved and if we agree that a given bill is generally a good way to solve that problem, then the discussion turns to which word or words cause our disagreement? Is it a word, a sentence, a paragraph, section, page, or pages? How might we edit, amend, those words to a point where we can agree on the proposed solution?

This is a fascinating process of listening, learning, and negotiating that we launch into today. Mr. President, Mr. Majority Leader, colleagues, we Senate Republicans welcome the opportunity to serve with you here in the Colorado Senate. Why? Because the People of Colorado wanted it this way.

May God bless each of you, your family, friends, and those who helped bring you to this chamber. May God bless the state of Colorado. And, may God bless America.

And now, Mr. President, let's get to work.

Thank you, Mr. President.
Senate reconvened.

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, and with the unanimous consent of those elected to the Senate, the above remarks of President Garcia and Minority Leader Holbert were ordered spread upon the pages of the journal.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS – FIRST READING

The following bills were read by title and referred to the committees indicated:

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SB19-001 by Senator(s) Garcia; --Concerning the expansion of the medication-assisted treatment expansion pilot program, and, in connection therewith, shifting the administration of the program from the college of nursing to the center for research into substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery support strategies; expanding the counties that may participate in the program; extending the duration of the program; and increasing the funding for the program.

Health & Human Services

SB19-002 by Senator(s) Winter and Fenberg; --Concerning the regulation of student education loan servicers.

Education

SB19-003 by Senator(s) Zenzinger and Coram; also Representative(s) McLachlan and Wilson, Rankin--Concerning the educator loan forgiveness program to address educator shortages.

Education

SB19-004 by Senator(s) Donovan; also Representative(s) Roberts--Concerning measures to address the high costs of health insurance in the state, and, in connection therewith, authorizing the state personnel director to implement a pilot program to allow residents of a specified region to participate in state employee medical benefit plans and modifying the health care coverage cooperatives laws to include consumer protections and allow consumers to collectively negotiate rates directly with providers.

Health & Human Services

SB19-005 by Senator(s) Rodriguez and Ginal; also Representative(s) Jaquez Lewis--Concerning wholesale importation of prescription pharmaceutical products from Canada for resale to Colorado residents.

Health & Human Services

SB19-006 by Senator(s) Williams A. ; also Representative(s) Kraft-Tharp and Van Winkle--Concerning an electronic sales and use tax simplification system, and, in connection therewith, requiring the department of revenue to conduct a sourcing method for the development of the system and establishing the implementation of the system for the acceptance of returns and processing of payments for the sales and use tax levied by the state and any local taxing jurisdictions.

Finance

SB19-007 by Senator(s) Pettersen and Winter; also Representative(s) McLachlan and Buckner--Concerning the prevention of sexual misconduct on higher education campuses.

Education

SB19-008 by Senator(s) Moreno and Priola, Pettersen; also Representative(s) Kennedy and Singer--Concerning treatment of individuals with substance use disorders who come into contact with the criminal justice system, and, in connection therewith, making an appropriation.

Judiciary

SB19-009 by Senator(s) Todd, Coram; also Representative(s) McLachlan and Wilson--Concerning providing financial incentives for educators to work in rural areas.

Education

SB19-010 by Senator(s) Fields; also Representative(s) McLachlan and Valdez D.--Concerning professional behavioral health services for schools.

Health & Human Services

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SB19-011 by Senator(s) Williams A. and Tate, Cooke, Priola, Fenberg; also Representative(s) Garnett and McKean, Arndt, Hansen, Kraft-Tharp, Roberts, Singer, Soper, Titone, Gray--Concerning the conversion of certain fermented malt beverage licenses issued under the "Colorado Beer Code" to malt liquor licenses issued under the "Colorado Liquor Code". Business, Labor, & Technology

SB19-012 by Senator(s) Court; also Representative(s) Melton--Concerning the use of mobile electronic devices while driving. Transportation & Energy

SB19-013 by Senator(s) Marble; also Representative(s) Hooton and Ransom--Concerning the conditions for medical marijuana use for disabling medical conditions, and, in connection therewith, adding a condition for which a physician could prescribe an opiate to the list of disabling medical conditions for medical marijuana use. Health & Human Services

SB19-014 by Senator(s) Coram; also Representative(s) Carver--Concerning measures to reduce incidents of theft from retail establishments. Business, Labor, & Technology

SB19-015 by Senator(s) Ginal; also Representative(s) Beckman--Concerning the creation of the statewide health care review committee to study health care issues that affect Colorado residents throughout the state. Health & Human Services

SB19-016 by Senator(s) Donovan and Coram; also Representative(s) Esgar and Saine, Roberts, Arndt, Catlin--Concerning the methodology to distribute money in the severance tax operational fund after core departmental programs are funded without changing the transfers to the natural resources and energy grant programs. Agriculture & Natural Resources

SB19-017 by Senator(s) Zenzinger, Ginal, Todd; also Representative(s) Roberts, McLachlan--Concerning the exemption of the department of transportation from existing reporting and transportation commission approval requirements when it acquires land needed for specified highway-related purposes by means other than condemnation. Transportation & Energy

SB19-018 by Senator(s) Scott and Marble, Todd; also Representative(s) McLachlan and Saine, Buck, Lewis--Concerning the age requirement to drive a commercial vehicle in interstate commerce. Transportation & Energy

SB19-019 by Senator(s) Fields; also Representative(s) Gray, Hooton--Concerning the power of a county to restrict the use of fireworks during the period between May 31 and July 5 of any year. Local Government

SB19-020 by Senator(s) Coram and Fields, Cooke, Marble; also Representative(s) McLachlan, Hooton--Concerning development of a system to patrol the airspace above wildland fires. State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-021 by Senator(s) Moreno, Zenzinger; also Representative(s) McKeon--Concerning eliminating the requirement that the state board of health approve the retention of counsel in certain circumstances. Health & Human Services

SB19-022 by Senator(s) Lundeen, Gardner, Hill; Concerning support for local education providers to provide monetary rewards for teachers rated highly effective, and, in connection therewith, creating the highly effective teacher bonus program. Education Finance

SB19-023 by Senator(s) Tate and Fenberg; also Representative(s) Kraft-Tharp--Concerning exemptions from the securities laws for cryptocurrencies, and, in connection therewith, enacting the "Colorado Digital Token Act". Finance

SB19-024 by Senator(s) Tate, Moreno, Zenzinger; also Representative(s) Arndt and Hooton, McKeon--Concerning the payment of taxes by electronic funds transfers. Finance
SB19-025 by Senator(s) Smallwood; --Concerning providing information to public school students regarding laws that provide for the safe abandonment of newborn children.
   State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-026 by Senator(s) Cooke; --Concerning postconviction remedy proceedings.
   Judiciary

SB19-027 by Senator(s) Crowder; also Representative(s) Valdez D.--Concerning authorization for a county to use any lawful method to give final disposition to an unclaimed dead body.
   Local Government

SB19-028 by Senator(s) Holbert; also Representative(s) McKean--Concerning the authority of licensing authorities to continue to issue certain fermented malt beverage retail licenses in rural areas.
   Business, Labor, & Technology

SB19-029 by Senator(s) Crowder; --Concerning the Colorado income tax liability of an individual in active duty military service.
   State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-030 by Senator(s) Gonzales; --Concerning a remedy for improperly entered guilty pleas.
   Judiciary

SB19-031 by Senator(s) Gardner, Court; also Representative(s) Lontine and Liston--Concerning the composition of the child welfare allocations committee.
   Health & Human Services

SB19-032 by Senator(s) Scott; also Representative(s) McCluskie--Concerning the routing of hazardous materials being transported on the roadways of the state.
   Transportation & Energy

SB19-033 by Senator(s) Hill, Gardner, Lundeen, Sonnenberg; --Concerning automatic waivers of law for rural school districts.
   State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-034 by Senator(s) Moreno; also Representative(s) Armdt--Concerning a local government's authority to establish standards for the use of environmentally discardable food containers, and, in connection therewith, authorizing a local government to establish standards for the use of ready-to-eat food containers that may be discarded through recycling or composting.
   Local Government

SB19-035 by Senator(s) Court; also Representative(s) Benavidez--Concerning enforcement measures available to the department of revenue for the collection of delinquent taxes.
   Finance

SB19-036 by Senator(s) Lee and Cooke; also Representative(s) Benavidez and Carver--Concerning requiring the state court administrator to administer a program to remind criminal defendants to appear in court as scheduled.
   Judiciary

SB19-037 by Senator(s) Woodward; --Concerning measures to mitigate wildfires, and, in connection therewith, permitting county personnel to enter land owned by the federal or state government to remove wildfire fuel sources and appropriating money for the use of the forest restoration and wildfire risk mitigation grant program.
   State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-038 by Senator(s) Sonnenberg, Crowder; also Representative(s) Pelton--Concerning an exception to the requirement that a motor vehicle clear a port of entry for vehicles transporting agricultural commodities.
   Transportation & Energy

SB19-039 by Senator(s) Story and Zenzinger; also Representative(s) Michaelson Jenet--Concerning allowing interdistrict transportation of students only by adjacent school districts subject to the school districts' mutual consent.
   Education

SB19-040 by Senator(s) Hisey; --Concerning the establishment of the Colorado fire commission.
   Agriculture & Natural Resources
SB19-041 by Senator(s) Smallwood; --Concerning a required contract provision regarding the payment of premiums by a policyholder to a health insurance carrier for each individual covered under a health insurance policy. Health & Human Services

SB19-042 by Senator(s) Foote; also Representative(s) Sirota and Arndt--Concerning adoption of an agreement among the states to elect the president of the United States by national popular vote. State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

SB19-043 by Senator(s) Lee, Gardner, Cooke; also Representative(s) Herod and Carver, Weissman, Arndt--Concerning an increase in the number of district court judges in certain judicial districts. Judiciary

SB19-044 by Senator(s) Zenzinger, Moreno; also Representative(s) Hooton, Arndt, McKean--Concerning the statewide emergency medical and trauma care system in the department of public health and environment, and, in connection therewith, eliminating the requirement that the state board of health cooperate with the department of personnel in adopting certain criteria. Health & Human Services

SB19-045 by Senator(s) Moreno, Zenzinger; also Representative(s) Hooton, Arndt, McKean--Concerning clarifying that members of the radiation advisory committee are reimbursed for expenses incurred for authorized business of the committee. Health & Human Services

SB19-046 by Senator(s) Tate, Moreno, Zenzinger; also Representative(s) Arndt, Hooton, McKean--Concerning an amendment to the definition of "appraisal management company" to align with the definition in federal law. Business, Labor, & Technology

INTRODUCTION OF MEMORIALS

The following memorials were read by title and referred to the committees indicated:

SJM19-001 by Senator(s) Crowder; also Representative(s) Esgar--Memorializing the United States Congress to fulfill the commitment of the federal government to provide funding for the Arkansas Valley Conduit project. Agriculture & Natural Resources

SJM19-002 by Senator(s) Crowder and Coram; also Representative(s) Esgar and Catlin, Roberts--Concerning memorializing the United States Congress to enact legislation directing the United States Army Corps of Engineers, in conjunction and cooperation with the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District, to dredge a portion of the Arkansas River. Agriculture & Natural Resources

On motion of Majority Leader Fenberg, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 7, 2019.

Approved:
Leroy M. Garcia
President of the Senate

Attest:
Cindi L. Markwell
Secretary of the Senate