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Monday, January 3, 2011, 2:00 o'clock p.m.

This being the day designated by the Constitution of the State of Ohio for the meeting of the General Assembly in regular session, the members-elect of the House of Representatives assembled in the Hall of the Representatives at 2:00 o'clock p.m. and were called to order by The Honorable Armond Budish, Speaker of the House of Representatives, One Hundred Twenty-Eighth General Assembly.

The Scottish anthem, *Scotland the Brave*, was performed by Correena Spangler.

The One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly rose for the presentation of the colors by the American Legion Don Gentile Post 532 Color Guard.

Prayer was offered by Matthew Akers, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Pursuant to Section 101.11 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Chair appointed Representative Gerberry to serve as clerk pro tempore.

The following named persons presented certificates of election as members of the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of Ohio, and having been administered the oath of office by The Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, or previously having filed a sworn oath of office with the legislative clerk, entered upon the discharge of their duties:

<u>District</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County</u>
1	Craig Newbold	R	Columbiana
2	Andrew Brenner	R	Delaware
3	Ron Amstutz	R	Wayne
4	Matt Huffman	R	Allen
5	Gerald L. Stebelton	R	Fairfield
6	Randy Gardner	R	Wood
7	Kenny Yuko	D	Cuyahoga (part)
8	Armond Budish	D	Cuyahoga (part)
9	Barbara Boyd	D	Cuyahoga (part)
10	Bill Patmon	D	Cuyahoga (part)
11	Sandra Williams	D	Cuyahoga (part)
12	John Barnes, Jr.	D	Cuyahoga (part)
13	Nickie Antonio	D	Cuyahoga (part)
14	Mike Foley	D	Cuyahoga (part)
15	Timothy J. DeGeeter	D	Cuyahoga (part)
16	Nan A. Baker	R	Cuyahoga (part)
17	Marlene Anielski	R	Cuyahoga (part)
18	Mike Dovilla	R	Cuyahoga (part)
19	Anne Gonzales	R	Franklin (part)
20	Nancy J. Garland	D	Franklin (part)
21	Mike Duffey	R	Franklin (part)

22	John Patrick Carney	D	Franklin (part)
23	Cheryl L. Grossman	R	Franklin (part)
24	Ted Celeste	D	Franklin (part)
25	Michael Stinziano	D	Franklin (part)
26	Tracy Maxwell Heard	D	Franklin (part)
27	W. Carlton Weddington	D	Franklin (part)
28	Connie Pillich	D	Hamilton (part)
29	Louis W. Blessing, Jr.	R	Hamilton (part)
30	Robert P. Mecklenborg	R	Hamilton (part)
31	Denise Driehaus	D	Hamilton (part)
32	Dale Mallory	D	Hamilton (part)
33	Alicia Reece	D	Hamilton (part)
34	Peter Stautberg	R	Hamilton (part)
35	Ronald Maag	R	Hamilton (part), Warren (part)
36	Michael Henne	R	Montgomery (part)
37	Peggy B. Lehner	R	Montgomery (part)
38	Terry Blair	R	Montgomery (part)
39	Clayton R. Luckie, II	D	Montgomery (part)
40	Roland Winburn	D	Montgomery (part)
41	Lynn Slaby	R	Summit (part)
42	Kristina Roegner	R	Summit (part)
43	Todd McKenney	R	Portage (part), Summit (part)
44	Vernon Sykes	D	Summit (part)
45	Zack Milkovich	D	Summit (part)
46	Barbara R. Sears	R	Lucas (part)
47	Teresa Fedor	D	Lucas (part)
48	Mike Ashford	D	Lucas (part)
49	Matt Szollosi	D	Lucas (part)
50	Todd A. Snitchler	R	Stark (part)
51	Kirk Schuring	R	Stark (part)
52	Stephen Slesnick	D	Stark (part)
53	Tim Derickson	R	Butler (part)
54	Courtney Combs	R	Butler (part)
55	William P. Coley, II	R	Butler (part)
56	Dan Ramos	D	Lorain (part)
57	Matt Lundy	D	Lorain (part)
58	Terry Boose	R	Huron, Lorain (part), Seneca (part)
59	Ronald V. Gerberry	D	Mahoning (part)
60	Robert F. Hagan	D	Mahoning (part)
61	Mark D. Okey	D	Carroll, Mahoning (part), Stark (part), Tuscarawas (part)
62	Lorraine M. Fende	D	Lake (part)
63	Ron Young	R	Lake (part)
64	Tom Letson	D	Trumbull (part)
65	Sean O'Brien	D	Trumbull (part)
66	Joseph W. Uecker	R	Clermont (part)
67	Peter Beck	R	Warren (part)
68	Kathleen Clyde	D	Portage (part)
69	William G. Batchelder	R	Medina (part)
70	Jarrod B. Martin	R	Greene (part)
71	Jay Hottinger	R	Licking (part)
72	Ross W. McGregor	R	Clark (part)
73	Jay P. Goyal	D	Richland (part)
74	Bruce W. Goodwin	R	Defiance (part), Fulton, Williams
75	Lynn R. Wachtmann	R	Defiance (part), Henry, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert
76	Cliff Hite	R	Auglaize (part), Hancock, Hardin
77	Jim Zehringer	R	Darke (part), Mercer, Preble
78	John Adams	R	Auglaize (part), Champaign, Shelby
79	Richard N. Adams	R	Darke (part), Miami
80	Dennis E. Murray	D	Erie, Ottawa (part)
81	Rex Damschroder	R	Ottawa (part), Sandusky, Seneca (part)

82	Jeffrey A. McClain	R	Crawford, Marion (part), Wyandot
83	David E. Burke	R	Logan, Marion (part), Union
84	Bob D. Hackett	R	Clark (part), Greene (part), Madison
85	Bob Peterson	R	Fayette, Pickaway (part), Ross (part)
86	Cliff Rosenberger	R	Clinton, Highland, Pike
87	John Carey	R	Gallia, Jackson, Lawrence (part), Ross (part), Vinton
88	Danny R. Bulp	R	Adams (part), Brown, Clermont (part)
89	Terry Johnson	R	Adams (part), Lawrence (part), Scioto
90	Margaret Ann Ruhl	R	Ashland (part), Knox, Morrow, Richland (part)
91	Bill Hayes	R	Hocking, Licking (part), Perry, Pickaway (part)
92	Debbie Phillips	D	Athens, Meigs, Morgan, Washington (part)
93	Andy Thompson	R	Guernsey, Monroe, Muskingum (part), Noble, Washington (part)
94	Troy Balderson	R	Coshocton, Muskingum (part)
95	Lou Gentile	D	Belmont (part), Jefferson
96	Al Landis	R	Belmont (part), Harrison, Tuscarawas (part)
97	David Hall	R	Ashland (part), Holmes, Medina (part)
98		R	Cuyahoga (part), Geauga
99	Casey Kozlowski	R	Ashtabula, Trumbull (part)

Representative Blessing moved that the oaths of office and certificates of election of absent members-elect be accepted and that the oaths of office be spread upon the pages of the journal.

The motion was agreed to without objection.

The Chair then called to order the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Speaker Budish addressed the House as follows:

"Good afternoon. Now that you are all official, congratulations, it is truly my pleasure to welcome you to this, the 129th General Assembly. I have been asked to give brief remarks, which I am very pleased to do.

Looking at all of you in the galleries, friends and family of our new and returning members, I want to give you a special welcome. The members with whom you are here to share this special day have worked very hard to get here. And I can assure you, they will be working very, very, very, hard over the next two years to serve the State. It is your support and your sacrifices that make it all possible. To you, I can only say thank you, thank you, thank you!

For the last two years, I have had the awesome privilege of serving as Speaker. It is a tough job, representing and balancing the diverse constituencies in our State. But it is also a great job, getting to work with so many wonderful, committed public servants. It is impossible to thank everyone individually, but I want to express my profound appreciation to my leadership team, members of the House on both sides of the aisle, my hard working and underpaid staff, all the advocates representing organizations, and all the interested citizens who have contacted us. Thank you, all.

Most importantly, thank you to my family. My son, Daniel, is here with me today and my son, Ryan is watching on his computer at work (instead of working). Thank you for your understanding and unwavering support.

To my wife Amy, thank you. As Speaker and as public officials, being the object of criticism is inevitable. That is part of the job. But as hard as it is on all of us, I think it is hardest on our spouses and loved ones. Amy, thanks for standing with me in both the good times and the bad. I love you.

As I prepare to turn the gavel over, I want to say a few words to my friend, Bill Batchelder.

Earlier today, Bill came over to me and reminded me that in my opening speech to this House two years ago, I proposed to sell Bill's seat here in the chamber on Ebay. We had a gaping budget hole. Bill assured me today that he would not be selling my seat – since he doesn't believe in using one time money for the budget. Then he handed me the keys to my new office and told me I'd be sharing it with Representatives Hagan, Gerberry, Sykes, Boyd and Andy DiPalma. After all, he said, he does believe in government consolidation.

In all seriousness, Bill, you know very well how tough a job you're taking on in a very tough time. I want you to know that you will have partners in this effort. I will be here and the democratic caucus will be here to help you and your colleagues forge the essential, equitable, bipartisan solutions to the economic and social problems Ohio faces.

Our challenges are great, there is no question. But if I may paraphrase your remarks after I asked you to second my nomination two years ago: We can, we must and we will, work together to move Ohio forward, regardless of our party, background, or region. Bill, please call on me at any time. Again, thank you, all."

The House then proceeded to the next order of business that being the election of officers in compliance with the provisions of Section 101.13 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The election of Speaker being in order, Representative Blessing of the 29th district nominated for the office of Speaker, Representative William G. Batchelder of the 69th district.

Representative Huffman of the 4th district seconded the nomination.

Representative J. Adams of the 78th district moved that the nominations of Speaker be closed.

The motion was agreed to without objection.

The House then proceeded to the election of Speaker.

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 93, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
			Zehringer-93.

Having received a constitutional majority of all votes cast, William G. Batchelder was declared the duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

The Chair appointed Representatives Blessing, Huffman, Sears, J. Adams, Grossman, Szollosi, Heard, and Phillips, to escort Speaker Batchelder to the bar of the House.

Upon being presented, Speaker Batchelder was administered the oath of office by The Honorable Alice Batchelder, and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

The Speaker then addressed the House as follows:

"Thank you distinguished colleagues – Chief Justice O'Connor – my wonderful staff – family and friends of the members of the 129th Session of the Ohio House of Representatives.

I want to introduce my family – the Honorable Alice M. Batchelder, Chief Judge of the U.S. Sixth Circuit; Dr. Bill Batchelder IV, his wife Dr. Xela Batchelder and their daughters Eilidh (which is Gaelic for Eleanor) and Esther

Sophia who was born on my birthday December 19th. My daughter Elizabeth and her husband Dr. Matt Akers, an Anglican Deacon, and their daughter Eleanor.

My father Bill Batchelder, age 96, is watching from Medina where he practiced law until he was 93 at which age he tried three jury trials and prevailed in all three. He served our country in WWII fighting in New Guinea.

The honor you have bestowed upon me today – to lead the People’s House – is unique – to be chosen by colleagues at a time of extreme challenge to this state and nation is especially humbling. I ask for your prayers that we may through bipartisan cooperation and dedication to our sovereign state bring Ohio back to prosperity, economic growth, educational excellence, and vocational leadership among the states of this republic. I look forward to working to these ends with Leader Budish, President Niehaus, Leader Cafaro, and our new Governor, John Kasich.

Remember, it is under Article II, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution that this branch of government is first established. The Executive Branch is established in Article III and the Judiciary in Article IV.

We face the most challenging Session since 1937. During that Session there was 14 percent unemployment at the beginning of the Session; rising to 19% by 1938. During that Session, Industrial production declined by 30% and manufacturing output fell by 37%.

Thank God our economic conditions are not that grave. However, we have lost half-a-million jobs in a decade. We have lost population compared to other states and therefore we have lost two congressmen.

We must work together not as Republicans and Democrats but as constructive legislators to create an economic environment in which jobs are available and Ohioans can go back to work. The top issue facing Ohio is the state of the economy. Ohioans remain concerned with their ability to become and remain employed and provide for their families. Turning this around and creating jobs is our number one priority.

Over the next two years, I pledge to all Ohioans that the House of Representatives will work diligently to change Ohio’s direction by creating opportunities for business growth through legislative proposals that will lay the framework for both short- and long-term prosperity, including:

Tax credits for Ohio graduates

Upon graduation, college graduates seek employment in more business-friendly states, where jobs are being created. This will incentivize the next generation to stay in Ohio and start a family – a vital component to the long-term economic success of our state.

Employer tax credit to hire unemployed Ohioans

Ohio has faced the highest unemployment rate in nearly two decades. This proposal will incentivize Ohio’s businesses to hire previously unemployed

workers which will simultaneously lead to business expansion and put Ohioans back to work.

Small business regulatory reforms

Small businesses often struggle to remain apprised of and stay compliant with the ever-changing regulatory environment. We will make an effort to reduce and eliminate any and all unnecessary and excessive regulatory burdens on Ohio's small businesses.

Repeal the Estate Tax

Ohio is one of only thirteen states that levies an estate or inheritance tax of its own, which contributes to out-migration of citizens. It is important that those who have built a business in Ohio from the ground up have the dignity to retire in Ohio without burdening their children and grandchildren with excessive taxes.

Revitalizing vacant properties

In an effort to encourage revitalization of abandoned or unused buildings, this bill would provide a nonrefundable tax credit for a business that expands into a vacant facility and increases its payroll.

Tax credits for specialized crafts

Recognizing the important contribution that those in specialized crafts make to Ohio's economy, this bill would grant an income tax credit to any person in a trade who has reached the journeyman or its equivalent as determined by the Ohio State Apprenticeship Council.

Business-friendly legal climate

Several Ohio statutes dealing with the internal governance of corporations have not been updated for several decades. This bill would modernize Ohio's business-entity laws and help attract and retain businesses to and in our state.

Workers' Compensation Reform

Improving Ohio's business climate through workers' comp reform to ensure that existing and future employers do not have the impediment of the BWC as a barrier to entry or growth as they work to develop their business and hire people right here in Ohio is of the utmost importance.

Performance Audits for State Agencies

It is the constitutional duty of the legislature to appropriate money through the passage of the state budget that will serve our Ohioans. Therefore, we will work with the Auditor of State to ensure that every tax dollar is used effectively and appropriately. In these tough economic times, it is vital for our economic success that we are not wasting any valuable resources.

These are just a few of many more proposals that we pledge to move forward and we will not stop until Ohio's economy begins to flourish once again.

Despite problems, Ohio has many opportunities that show our potential. Medical services in Ohio are second to none – the King of Saudi Arabia can go where he pleases for medical care. He has come to Ohio. A Canadian

Provincial Prime Minister also comes to Ohio for his medical treatment due to the time delay in obtaining treatment in his country.

The question before us today is: Do we have the courage to do what must be done to revive our economy and thereby create the opportunity which has historically made Ohio great?

The great Roman historian Titus Livy, in his 40 volume history of the Roman Republic, states that the "Republic" had become decadent economically and politically. He said, "they had entered upon a time when Romans can neither endure our vices nor face the remedies needed to cure them." This lack of courage led to the death of that Republic.

Do we have the courage to face the remedies needed to cure the problems we face? We are blessed to live in the oldest Republic in the history of the world. Our founders understood that limited government with power divided between the states and the federal government and further with power at both of those levels divided into three distinct branches would best protect the liberties of the individual.

The Founders also understood that economic freedom was at the foundation of political freedom. It is no coincidence that two of the greatest documents of freedom were published in the year 1776: the Declaration of Independence and Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations.

This Republic, after living under the Articles of Confederation, called for a constitutional convention. Views of delegates were quite varied: George Washington could be King or this nation could break into 13 independent states.

Our Founders gathered in Philadelphia – there was no open meeting law – only rumors on the street of that city of what would be the result of this convention.

So when the constitutional convention adjourned and Dr. Ben Franklin was coming down the steps of Constitutional Hall, a lady asked him, "What form of government have you given us, Dr. Franklin?" to which he replied, "A Republic, **IF** you can keep it."

We have a federal deficit of \$45,000 for each American, including infants.
States are being taken over by federal mandates
States themselves are undermining free enterprise by both legislation and regulation.

And, last month, Ohio suffered one of the largest single month increases in unemployment in the United States.

"A Republic, **IF** you can keep it."

Grant that we, recognizing our responsibility to those whose sacrifice of blood and treasure made our liberty possible, may someday look into Dr. Franklin's face and say: "The Republic you gave us, by God's grace and blessing, we have kept it."

The next order of business being the election of the Speaker Pro Tempore, Representative Baker of the 16th district nominated for said office Louis W. Blessing, Jr., of the 29th district.

Representative Stautberg of the 34th district seconded the nomination.

Representative J. Adams of the 78th district moved that the nominations of Speaker Pro Tempore be closed.

The motion was agreed to without objection.

The House then proceeded to the election of Speaker Pro Tempore.

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 93, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Boose
Brenner	Bubp	Budish	Burke
Carey	Carney	Celeste	Clyde
Coley	Combs	Damschroder	DeGeeter
Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus	Duffey
Fedor	Fende	Foley	Gardner
Garland	Gentile	Gerberry	Gonzales
Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman	Hackett
Hall	Hayes	Heard	Henne
Hite	Hottinger	Huffman	Johnson
Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner	Letson
Luckie	Lundy	Maag	Mallory
Martin	McClain	McGregor	McKenney
Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray	Newbold
O'Brien	Okey	Patmon	Peterson
Phillips	Pillich	Ramos	Reece
Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl	Sears
Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler	Stautberg
Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi	Thompson
Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington	Williams
Winburn	Young	Yuko	Zehringer
			Batchelder-93.

Having received a constitutional majority of all votes cast, Representative Louis W. Blessing, Jr., was declared the duly elected Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

The Chair appointed Representatives Stautberg, Maag, Mecklenborg, Combs, Rosenberger, Mallory, Winburn, Garland, and Letson, to escort Representative Blessing to the bar of the House.

Upon being presented, Representative Blessing was administered the oath

of office by The Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

The next order of business being the election of the majority floor leader, the assistant majority floor leader, the majority whip, and the assistant majority whip of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution:

H. R. No. 1-Representative Blessing.

Relative to the election of the majority floor leader, the assistant majority floor leader, the majority whip, and the assistant majority whip for the 129th General Assembly of Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio have been advised that the caucus of Republican members have chosen Matt Huffman of House District #04 as majority floor leader, Barbara Sears of House District #46 as assistant majority floor leader, John Adams of House District #78 as majority whip, and Cheryl Grossman of House District #23 as assistant majority whip; therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly that Matt Huffman be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of majority floor leader; that Barbara Sears be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of assistant majority floor leader; that John Adams be, and upon the adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of majority whip; and that Cheryl Grossman be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of assistant majority whip.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor

McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

The majority floor leader, Representative Huffman; the assistant majority floor leader, Representative Sears; the majority whip, Representative J. Adams; assistant majority whip, Representative Grossman were escorted to the bar of the House by Representatives Zehringer, Wachtmann, Burke, Gonzales, Snitchler, Amstutz, Gerberry, Barnes, and Luckie, were administered the oath of office by The Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

The next order of business being the election of minority leader of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution:

H. R. No. 2-Representative Blessing.

Relative to the election of the minority leader for the 129th General Assembly of Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio have been advised that the caucus of Democratic members has chosen Armond Budish of House District #08 as minority leader; therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly that Armond Budish be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of minority leader.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 93, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing

Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Burke
Carey	Carney	Celeste	Clyde
Coley	Combs	Damschroder	DeGeeter
Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus	Duffey
Fedor	Fende	Foley	Gardner
Garland	Gentile	Gerberry	Gonzales
Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman	Hackett
Hall	Hayes	Heard	Henne
Hite	Hottinger	Huffman	Johnson
Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner	Letson
Luckie	Lundy	Maag	Mallory
Martin	McClain	McGregor	McKenney
Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray	Newbold
O'Brien	Okey	Patmon	Peterson
Phillips	Pillich	Ramos	Reece
Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl	Sears
Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler	Stautberg
Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi	Thompson
Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington	Williams
Winburn	Young	Yuko	Zehringer
			Batchelder-93.

The resolution was adopted.

The minority leader, Representative Budish was escorted to the bar of the House by Representatives Carney, Goyal, Fedor, Lundy, Okey, Gentile, Williams, Blessing, Huffman, Sears, J. Adams, and Grossman, was administered the oath of office by The Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

The next order of business being the election of the assistant minority leader, the minority whip, and the assistant minority whip of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution:

H. R. No. 3-Representative Blessing.

Relative to the election of the assistant minority leader, the minority whip, and the assistant minority whip for the 129th General Assembly of Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio have been advised that the caucus of Democratic members has chosen Matt Szollosi of House District #49 as assistant minority leader, Tracy Heard of House District #26 as minority whip, and Debbie Phillips of House District #92 as assistant minority whip; therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the

129th General Assembly that Matt Szollosi be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of assistant minority leader; that Tracy Heard be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of minority whip; and that Debbie Phillips be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of assistant minority whip.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

The assistant minority leader, Representative Szollosi; the minority whip, Representative Heard; the assistant minority whip, Representative Phillips; were escorted to the bar of the House by Representatives Ashford, Antonio, Fende, Pillich, Slesnick, Weddington, Sears, Duffey, and Carey, were administered the oath of office by The Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

The next order of business being the election of the officials of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Twenty-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution:

H. R. No. 4-Representative Blessing.

Relative to the election of officials of the House of Representatives and empowering the Chief Administrative Officer to sign vouchers.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly, that Laura P. Clemens be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of Clerk; and that Thomas L. Sherman be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of Deputy Clerk; that Kimberly M. Flasher be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of Chief Administrative Officer; that Timothy C. McCarthy be, and upon adoption of this resolution is, hereby elected to the office of Sergeant-at-arms; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the terms of office of the Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Chief Administrative Officer, and Sergeant-at-arms shall be for a period of two years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That except in cases in which the signature or approval of the speaker is required by law, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House is hereby directed and empowered to sign all vouchers to be presented to the auditor of state for the payment of any claim or claims against the state for service rendered, supplies furnished, money expended, or liabilities incurred in connection with the proper operation of the House of Representatives.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl

Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Having received a constitutional majority of all votes cast, the above named persons were duly elected administrative officers of the Ohio House of Representatives, and having been administered the oath of office by the Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, entered upon the discharge of their duties.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. R. No. 5-Representative Blessing.

Relative to employment and compensation of employees of the House of Representatives preparatory to and during House organization.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly, that the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives is hereby authorized to pay all employees actually employed preparatory to House organization of the 129th General Assembly from December 31, 2010 to January 3, 2011, the date of the convening of the 129th General Assembly, at the same salary that was paid them during the 128th General Assembly.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor

McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. R. No. 6-Representative Blessing.

To provide for the offering of the pledge of allegiance to the flag by the members of the House of Representatives at the opening session of each week.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly shall make the following pledge of allegiance to the flag at the opening session of each week.

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos

Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. R. No. 7-Representative Blessing.

Relative to attendance at conferences and meetings.

WHEREAS, During the 129th General Assembly (2011-2012), important conferences and meetings of national or statewide interest may be called, especially of interest to the House of Representatives; therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly, that, if in the judgment of the Speaker, any conferences or meetings, either national or state, are deemed to be of sufficient importance to warrant attendance of members or officers of the House, the Speaker shall designate members or officers to attend; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all expenses incurred incident thereto of any member or officer so designated by the Speaker shall be paid out of appropriate funds of the House.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray

Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. R. No. 8-Representative Blessing.

Relative to certain letters to be signed by the Speaker of the House on behalf of the House and sent to persons or groups in lieu of any resolutions on the subject.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly, that upon the request of any member, the Speaker of the House of Representatives may, at the Speaker's discretion, sign letters of commendation, congratulations, or condolence to persons or organizations named in the request on behalf of the House and in its name, and arrange for transmittal therefor to such persons or organizations as may be designated in the request.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon

Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. R. No. 9-Representative Blessing.

Relative to the appointment and salaries of the officials and employees of the House of Representatives.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly, that in addition to those officers previously elected by resolution of the House, the Speaker is hereby authorized to appoint such additional staff as may be required for the purpose of facilitating the work of the House of Representatives and to fill any vacancies in positions as officers or employees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the officers and employees of the House of Representatives be compensated as determined by the Chief Administrative Officer, with the approval of the Speaker; and be it further

RESOLVED, That pay increases shall be made only upon recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer, with approval of the Speaker; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Administrative Officer shall have the direct supervision and management of those officers and employees who by reason of their duties fall within the specific area of responsibility of the Chief Administrative Officer. Pursuant to the approval of the Speaker, the Chief Administrative Officer may discharge any officer or employee under their respective supervision if the officer or employee is not satisfactorily performing his duties; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution shall govern all actions taken by the 129th General Assembly and that all of the foregoing salaries be paid from the appropriate funds of the House of Representatives.

The question being, "Shall the resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
Gonzales	Goodwin	Goyal	Grossman
Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. C. R. No. 1-Speaker Batchelder, Representative Budish.

Relative to a committee to wait upon the Governor to let him know the 129th General Assembly is in session.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), that a committee of eight on the part of the House of Representatives and eight on the part of the Senate be appointed to wait upon and inform the Governor that the two houses of the 129th General Assembly have organized and are ready to receive any communication he may desire to transmit.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
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Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
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Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
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Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
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Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
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Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Representative Blessing offered the following resolution, requesting that it be read by title only and spread upon the pages of the journal.

H. C. R. No. 2-Speaker Batchelder, Representative Budish.

Relative to the inauguration of the Governor.

BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), that a committee of seven on the part of the House of Representatives and seven on the part of the Senate be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the governor-elect, The Honorable John Kasich.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
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Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
DeGeeter	Derickson	Dovilla	Driehaus
Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
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Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
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Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
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Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
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Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Message from the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. C. R. No. 1 -Senators Niehaus, Cafaro

Relative to convening in Joint Convention.

Attest:

Vincent L. Keeran,
Clerk.

Representative Blessing moved that the following resolution be read by title only and brought up for immediate adoption:

S. C. R. No. 1-Senators Niehaus, Cafaro.

Relative to convening in Joint Convention.

The motion was agreed to without objection.

The question being, "Shall the concurrent resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted - yeas 94, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Representatives

Adams J.	Adams R.	Amstutz	Anielski
Antonio	Ashford	Baker	Balderson
Barnes	Beck	Blair	Blessing
Boose	Brenner	Bubp	Budish
Burke	Carey	Carney	Celeste
Clyde	Coley	Combs	Damschroder
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Duffey	Fedor	Fende	Foley
Gardner	Garland	Gentile	Gerberry
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Hackett	Hall	Hayes	Heard
Henne	Hite	Hottinger	Huffman
Johnson	Kozlowski	Landis	Lehner
Letson	Luckie	Lundy	Maag
Mallory	Martin	McClain	McGregor
McKenney	Mecklenborg	Milkovich	Murray
Newbold	O'Brien	Okey	Patmon
Peterson	Phillips	Pillich	Ramos
Reece	Roegner	Rosenberger	Ruhl
Sears	Slaby	Slesnick	Snitchler
Stautberg	Stebelton	Stinziano	Szollosi
Thompson	Uecker	Wachtmann	Weddington
Williams	Winburn	Young	Yuko
Zehringer			Batchelder-94.

The concurrent resolution was adopted.

Message from the Senate

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is now in session and ready for the transaction of business.

Attest:

Vincent L. Keeran,
Clerk.

Dr. Richard Powers, Sr., offered a benediction followed by Correena Spangler's performance of *Amazing Grace*.

Pursuant to the motion of Representative Blessing the following oath of office was entered upon the journal:

State of Ohio
County of Franklin

I, Robert F. Hagan, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and faithfully to discharge and perform all duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, according to the best of my ability and understanding; and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

/s/ ROBERT F. HAGAN
Robert F. Hagan

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of December, 2010.

/s/ CONNIE PILLICH
Connie Pillich
Ohio House of Representatives
State Representative
28th House District

On motion of Representative Blessing, the House recessed for the purpose of a joint convention.

The hour having arrived for the meeting of the two houses, the members of the Senate preceded by the president, clerk and sergeant-at-arms thereof, appeared within the bar of the House.

The President of the Senate called the joint convention to order. Representative Blessing and Senator Faber announced a quorum of each house, respectively, was present.

The President of the Senate, in presence of the two houses, then proceeded to open and announce the returns of the votes cast at the election held in the State of Ohio on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 2010 for the offices of governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, treasurer of state, attorney general, and auditor of state.

January 3, 2011
The Honorable Jennifer Brunner
Secretary of State
30 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Secretary Brunner:

Pursuant to Section 3505.34 of the Revised Code, the President of the Senate in the presence of a majority of both houses of the General Assembly has canvassed the abstracts of the votes cast for the offices for governor and lieutenant governor, attorney general, auditor of state, secretary of state and

treasurer of state as contained in Form No. 2 sent from each county and declares the following candidates elected for those offices:

For Governor and Lt. Governor:

John Kasich and Mary Taylor – 1,889,186 votes
Ted Strickland and Yvette McGee Brown – 1,812,059 votes
Ken Matesz and Margaret Ann Leech – 92,116 votes
Dennis Spisak and Anita Rios – 58,475 votes
David Sargent and Andrew Pfeifer – 633 votes

For Attorney General:

Mike DeWine – 1,821,414 votes
Richard Cordray – 1,772,728 votes
Robert Owens – 130,065 votes
Marc Feldman – 107,521 votes

For Auditor of State:

David Yost – 1,882,010 votes
David Pepper – 1,683,330 votes
Michael Howard – 182,534 votes

For Secretary of State:

Jon Husted – 2,013,674 votes
Maryellen O'Shaughnessy – 1,555,705 votes
Charles Earl – 182,977 votes

For Treasurer of State:

Josh Mandel – 2,050,142 votes
Kevin Boyce – 1,525,992 votes
Matthew Cantrell – 184,478 votes

Sincerely,

/s/ TOM NIEHAUS

Tom Niehaus, President
Ohio Senate

/s/ WILLIAM G. BATCHELDER

William G. Batchelder, Speaker
Ohio House of Representatives

On motion of Senator Faber, the joint convention was dissolved.

The House met pursuant to recess.

On motion of Representative Blessing, the House adjourned until Thursday,
January 6, 2011 at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Attest:

LAURA P. CLEMENS,
Clerk.