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Adoption of the Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, January 12, 2004

The House of Representatives was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by the Honorable John A. Alario, Jr., Acting Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

The roll being called, the following members-elect answered to their names:

PRESENT

Alario	Futrell	Odinot
Alexander	Gallot	Pierre
Ansardi	Geymann	Pinac
Arnold	Glover	Pitre
Badon	Gray	Powell, H
Baldone	Guillory, E	Powell, M
Baudoin	Guillory, M	Quezaire
Baylor	Hammett	Richmond
Beard	Heaton	Ritchie
Bowler	Hebert	Romero
Broome	Hill	Salter
Bruce	Honey	Scalise
Bruneau	Hopkins	Schneider
Burns	Hudson	Shepherd
Burrell	Hunter	Smiley
Carter, K	Hutter	Smith, G.—56th
Carter, R	Jackson	Smith, J.D.—50th
Cazayoux	Jefferson	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crane	Johns	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crowe	Katz	St. Germain
Curtis	Kenard	Strain
Damico	Kenney	Thompson
Daniel	LaBruzzo	Toomy
Dartez	LaFleur	Townsend
DeWitt	Lambert	Trahan
Doerge	Lancaster	Triche
Downs	LeBlanc	Tucker
Dove	Marchand	Waddell

Durand	Martiny	Walker
Erdey	McDonald	Walsworth
Fannin	McVea	Welch
Farrar	Montgomery	White
Faucheux	Morrell	Winston
Flavin	Morrish	Wooton
Frith	Murray	Wright
Total—105		

ABSENT

Total—0

The Acting Speaker announced that there were 105 members-elect present.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rev. Bobby Franklin.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Hunter led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Ms. Mary Griffin Gallot sang *The Star Spangled Banner*.

**Petitions, Memorials and
Communications**

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were received and read:

**SECRETARY OF STATE
State of Louisiana**

December 1, 2003

To the Clerk of the House of Representatives
State of Louisiana

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, in compliance with R.S. 18:573, the name of the persons who have received the greatest number of votes cast for State Representative in the Legislature of Louisiana from their respective Representative Districts, and who have been duly proclaimed elected.

Sincerely,

Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State

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Enclosure

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
State of Louisiana**

**Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State**

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that the following candidates are declared elected by the people to the office set above their names at the 2003 Gubernatorial Election:

1st Representative District	Roy "Hoppy" Hopkins
2nd Representative District	Roy Burrell
3rd Representative District	Ernest Baylor, Jr.
4th Representative District	Cedric Bradford Glover
5th Representative District	Wayne Waddell
6th Representative District	"Mike" Powell
7th Representative District	Beverly Bruce

8th Representative District Jane H. Smith
9th Representative District Billy Montgomery
10th Representative District Jean M. Doerge
11th Representative District "Rick" Gallot
12th Representative District Hollis Downs
13th Representative District James R. "Jim" Fannin
14th Representative District Charles R. McDonald
15th Representative District Michael A. "Mike" Walsworth
16th Representative District Kay Kellog Katz
17th Representative District Willie Hunter, Jr.
18th Representative District Donald "Don" Cazayoux, Jr.
19th Representative District Francis C. Thompson
20th Representative District Lelon Kenney
21st Representative District Bryant O. Hammett, Jr.
22nd Representative District "Tommy" Wright
23rd Representative District T. Taylor Townsend
24th Representative District Joe R. Salter
25th Representative District Charles W. "Charlie" DeWitt
26th Representative District Israel "Bo" Curtis
27th Representative District Rick L. Farrar
28th Representative District Monica Walker
29th Representative District Sharon Weston Broome
30th Representative District John Smith
31st Representative District "Don" Trahan
32nd Representative District Herman Ray Hill
33rd Representative District "Ronnie" Johns
34th Representative District Elcie Joseph Guillory
35th Representative District Brett Geymann
36th Representative District "Dan" Flavin
37th Representative District Dan "Blade" Morrish
38th Representative District Eric LaFleur
39th Representative District Clara Guilbeau Baudoin
40th Representative District Charles I. "Chuck" Hudson
41st Representative District Mickey J. Guillory
42nd Representative District Gil Pinac
43rd Representative District "Ernie" Alexander
44th Representative District Wilfred Pierre
45th Representative District Jerry Luke Leblanc
46th Representative District Sydnie Mae Maraist Durand
47th Representative District "Mickey" Frith
48th Representative District Errol "Romo" Romero
49th Representative District Troy Hebert
50th Representative District Jack D. Smith
51st Representative District Carla Blanchard Darte
52nd Representative District Gordon Dove
53rd Representative District Damon J. Baldone
54th Representative District Loulan Pitre, Jr.
55th Representative District Warren Triche, Jr.
56th Representative District Gary L. Smith, Jr.
57th Representative District Robert R. "Bobby" Fauchoux, Jr.
58th Representative District Roy Quezaire, Jr.
59th Representative District Eddie J. Lambert
60th Representative District Karen Gaudet St. Germain
61st Representative District Michael Jackson
62nd Representative District Thomas H. "Tom" McVea
63rd Representative District Avon R. Honey
64th Representative District Mack "Bodi" White
65th Representative District Donald Ray Kennard
66th Representative District "Mike" Futrell
67th Representative District Yvonne Dorsey Welch
68th Representative District William Daniel
69th Representative District Gary Beard
70th Representative District Carl Crane
71st Representative District Dale Erdy
72nd Representative District "Robby" Carter
73rd Representative District Henry W. "Tank" Powell
74th Representative District Michael G. "Mike" Strain
75th Representative District Harold L. Ritchie
76th Representative District A. G. Crowe

77th Representative District Diane Winston
78th Representative District Shirley Bowler
79th Representative District Daniel R. "Danny" Martiny
80th Representative District Charles D. Lancaster, Jr.
81st Representative District John LaBruzzo
82nd Representative District Stephen J. "Steve" Scalise
83rd Representative District John A. Alario, Jr.
84th Representative District N. J. Damico
85th Representative District Joseph F. Toomy
86th Representative District James W. "Jim" Tucker
87th Representative District Derrick Shepherd
88th Representative District M. J. "Mert" Smiley, Jr.
89th Representative District "Tim" Burns
90th Representative District "Pete" Schneider
91st Representative District Jalila Jefferson
92nd Representative District Glenn Ansardi
93rd Representative District Karen Carter
94th Representative District Emile "Peppi" Bruneau
95th Representative District Alexander "Alex" Heaton
96th Representative District Edwin R. "Ed" Murray
97th Representative District Arthur A. Morrell
98th Representative District Cheryl Gray
99th Representative District Charmaine Marchand
100th Representative District Austin J. Badon, Jr.
101st Representative District Cedric Richmond
102nd Representative District Jeffery "Jeff" Arnold
103rd Representative District Kenneth L. Odinet, Sr.
104th Representative District Nita Rusich Hutter
105th Representative District Ernest D. Wooton

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on December 1, 2003.

Fox McKeithen
Secretary of State

The Chair called for the voicing of objections to the qualifications or elections of the members-elect.

Hearing no objections, the Chair declared each member-elect duly qualified and elected.

Oath of Office

The membership-elect presented themselves before the bar of the House and took the following oath of office:

"I, ..., do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Louisiana House of Representatives, according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God."

Personal Privilege

Rep. Bowler led the House in the bestowing of the 2004 Member Identification Lapel Pins.

Election of the Clerk of the House

Rep. Hunter placed in nomination the name of Mr. Alfred W. Speer for Clerk of the House.

Rep. Winston seconded the nomination of Mr. Speer.

Rep. Henry Powell moved that the nominations be closed.

There being but one nominee, Mr. Alfred W. Speer was duly elected Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Mr. Alfred W. Speer by the Honorable Robert P. "Bobby" Waddell, District Judge, 1st Judicial District Court.

Election of the Speaker of the House

Rep. Montgomery placed in nomination the name of Rep. Joe R. Salter for Speaker of the House.

Rep. Welch seconded the nomination of Rep. Salter.

Rep. Alexander seconded the nomination of Rep. Salter.

Rep. Henry Powell moved that the nominations be closed.

There being but one nominee, Rep. Salter was duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Rep. Joe R. Salter by the Honorable John S. Pickett, Jr., Retired District Judge, 11th Judicial District Court.

Speaker Salter in the Chair

Election of the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House

Rep. Pierre placed in nomination the name of Rep. Sharon Weston Broome for Speaker Pro Tempore of the House.

Rep. Daniel seconded the nomination of Rep. Broome.

Rep. Karen Carter seconded the nomination of Rep. Broome.

Rep. Henry Powell moved that the nominations be closed.

There being but one nominee, Rep. Sharon Weston Broome was duly elected Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives.

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Rep. Sharon Weston Broome by Dr. Tommy O. Linton, Jr., Pastor, Life Changers Christian Center.

Appointment of the Sergeant at Arms of the House

Pursuant to House Rule 2.11, the Speaker appointed Mr. Clarence R. Russ Sergeant at Arms of the House.

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Mr. Clarence R. Russ by the Honorable Alfred W. Speer, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

LOUISIANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Office of the Clerk

January 7, 2004

To: All Members of the House of Representatives

From: Alfred W. Speer

Re: Appropriations Committee Election

The following members were elected to the Appropriations Committee in accordance with House Rule 6.4:

Congressional District 1 - Representative Steve Scalise - Elected without opposition.

Congressional District 2 - Representative-Elect Cheryl Gray - Elected. Election results: Cheryl Gray - 7 votes; Arthur Morrell - 6 votes; Derrick Shepherd - 0 votes.

Congressional District 3 - Representative Warren Triche - Elected. Election results: Nita R. Hutter - 2 votes; Warren Triche - 14 votes.

Congressional District 4 - Representative Roy Hopkins - Elected without opposition.

Congressional District 5 - Representative Francis Thompson - Elected. Election results: Israel Curtis - 1 vote; Willie Hunter, Jr. - Withdrew; Francis Thompson - 13 votes; Monica Walker - 1 vote.

Congressional District 6 - Representative Thomas McVea - Elected. Election results: Mike Futrell - withdrew; Avon Honey - withdrew; Thomas McVea - 16 votes; Yvonne Welch - 0 votes.

Congressional District 7 - Representative Charles I. Hudson - Elected. Election results: Clara Baudoin - 1 vote; Dan Flavin - 1 vote; Charles Hudson - 7 votes; Dan Morrish - 4 votes.

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Kenney, at 11:15 A.M., the House agreed to adjourn *sine die*.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned *sine die*.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House