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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

Our thought for today is from Psalm 98:4: “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into song and sing praises.”

Let us pray. Lord, help us sing a new song of life with all of creation as we begin a new year filled with hope and faith. With the ups and downs of our daily life, may Your presence show forth in our being together in doing the work set before us. Continue Your blessings on our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who work behind the scenes to accomplish good things. Bless and protect our defenders of freedom as they protect us. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of our brave warriors who suffer and sacrifice for our freedom. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:16 a.m. the House, in accordance with the ruling of the SPEAKER, adjourned to meet at 12:00 noon, Tuesday, January 17.

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