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SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

The Senate of the Sixty-fifth Legislature of the State of Utah met in the Senate Chamber at the State Capitol Complex and virtually in the Ninth Extraordinary Session at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024.

The Senate was called to order at 4:09 p.m. with President J. Stuart Adams presiding.

Prayer – Senator Wyane Harper
Pledge – Senator Lincoln Fillmore

Phalin Flowers, Secretary of the Senate, read the following communication:

PROCLAMATION

Senators: August 20, 2024

As President of the Senate, I hereby call the Utah Senate into a 9th Senate Extraordinary Session on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Senate Chamber of the Utah State Capitol, for the purposes of considering appointments submitted to the Senate.

J. Stuart Adams
President
Utah Senate

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Roll call – All Senators present except Senator Johnson, excused

President Adams appointed Senator Ipson to notify the Governor’s representative that the Senate is convened in the Ninth Extraordinary Session.

Senator Ipson advised the Senate that the Governor’s representative has been notified of the convening of the Ninth Extraordinary Session.

On motion of Senator Buxton, the same rules, joint rules, and interim rules adopted by the 2024 Third Special Session were adopted as the rules for the Ninth Extraordinary Session of the Sixty-fifth Legislature.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Senate held a moment of silence in remembrance of the passing of former Senator Karen Mayne. Senators Vickers and Escamilla commented.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. President: July 25, 2024

I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed Shawn Howell as a Judge of the Fourth District Court, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8 of the Utah Constitution and Utah Code Section 78A-10-101, et seq. Together with this letter, I am forwarding the information detailed in the Utah Code Section 67-1-2(2).

Thank you for your timely consideration and confirmation of Ms. Howell.

Spencer J. Cox
Governor

CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. President: August 19, 2024

The Senate Judicial Confirmation Committee met on August 19, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for Shawn Howell to be confirmed to the position of Judge in the Utah Fourth District Court.

Todd Weiler, Chair

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On motion of Senator Weiler, the Senate voted to consent to the appointment of Shawn Howell on the following roll call vote:

Yeas, 27; Nays, 0; Absent or not voting, 2.

Voting in the affirmative were: Senators

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| Adams J. | Balderree H. | Blouin N. | Bramble C. |
| Buxton D. | Cullimore K. | Escamilla L. | Fillmore L. |
| Grover K. | Harper W. | Hinkins D. | Ipson D. |
| Kennedy M. | Kwan K. | McCay D. | McKell M. |
| Owens D. | Pitcher S. | Plumb J. | Riebe K. |
| Sandall S. | Stevenson J. | Thatcher D. | Vickers E. |
| Weiler T. | Wilson C. | Winterton R. | |

Absent or not voting were: Senators
Johnson J. Millner A.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On motion of Senator Vickers, Judge Shawn Howell spoke in Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Senator Vickers, the Committee of the Whole was dissolved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. President: July 25, 2024

I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed Judge Rita Cornish as a Judge of the Business and Chancery Court, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8 of the Utah Constitution and Utah Code Section 78A-10-101, et seq. Together with this letter, I am forwarding the information detailed in the Utah Code Section 67-1-2(2).

Thank you for your timely consideration and confirmation of Judge Cornish.

Spencer J. Cox
Governor

CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. President: August 19, 2024

The Senate Judicial Confirmation Committee met on August 19, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the Honorable Rita Cornish to be confirmed to the position of Judge in the Business and Chancery Court.

Todd Weiler, Chair

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On motion of Senator Weiler, the Senate voted to consent to the appointment of Rita Cornish on the following roll call vote:

Yeas, 28; Nays, 0; Absent or not voting, 1.

Voting in the affirmative were: Senators

Adams J.	Balderree H.	Blouin N.	Bramble C.
Buxton D.	Cullimore K.	Escamilla L.	Fillmore L.
Grover K.	Harper W.	Hinkins D.	Ipson D.

Kennedy M.	Kwan K.	McCay D.	McKell M.
Millner A.	Owens D.	Pitcher S.	Plumb J.
Riebe K.	Sandall S.	Stevenson J.	Thatcher D.
Vickers E.	Weiler T.	Wilson C.	Winterton R.

Absent or not voting were: Senators
Johnson J.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On motion of Senator Vickers, Judge Rita Cornish spoke in Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Senator Vickers, the Committee of the Whole was dissolved.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A citation was presented honoring the bravery of Brenna Miller, Brandon Lockhart, James Brown, Zach Peterson, and Nathan Gillet for saving an individual from a fire.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. President: July 22, 2024

In accordance with Utah Code 67-1-1 and 67-1-2, I propose and transmit the following appointments:

Board of Aging and Adult Services:

Jeff Mason (R) is appointed to replace Martha Autrey as a member for the Board of Aging and Adult Services, a term to expire April 1, 2027. See Utah Code 26B-1-426.

Patricia Richards (U) is appointed to replace Neil Anderton as a member for the Board of Aging and Adult Services, a term to expire April 1, 2027. See Utah Code 26B-1-426.

Board of Economic Opportunity:

Vic Hockett is appointed to replace Tanner Ainge as a member associated with higher education in the state for the Board of Economic Opportunity, the remainder of the term to expire March 15, 2025. See Utah Code 63N-1a-401(1)(b)(iii).

Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees:

Kathy Christiansen is appointed to replace Roger Pulsiper as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Richard Lamb is appointed to replace Eric Wamsley as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Monica Holdaway is reappointed as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Lisa Clawson is reappointed as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Larry Williams is reappointed as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Paul Nelson is reappointed as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Jenn Avery is appointed to replace Neil Perkes as a member for the Bridgerland Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(3)(a).

Office of Data Privacy:

Chris Bramwell is appointed as the Chief Privacy Officer for the Office of Data Privacy. See Utah Code 63A-19-302.

Child Care Provider Licensing Committee:

Alan Rice is appointed to replace Matthew Wallace as a member who is an architect licensed in the state for the Child Care Provider Licensing Committee, a term to expire June 30, 2027. See Utah Code 26B-1-414(1)(d)(i)(F).

Great Salt Lake Advisory Council:

Ben Naldoski is appointed to replace Gage Froerer as a member who represents Weber County for the Great Salt Lake Advisory Council, a term to expire August 15, 2028. See Utah Code 73-32-302(2)(a)(vi)(E).

Health Data Committee:

Javier Chavez Jr. Is appointed to replace Stephen Neeleman as the business representative for the Health Data Committee, the remainder of the term to expire June 30, 2026. See Utah Code 26B-1-413(6)(e)(ii).

Judicial Conduct Commission:

Georgia Thompson is reappointed as a member appointed by the Governor for the Judicial Conduct Commission, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 78A-11-103(1)(a)(iv).

State Charter School Board:

Clint Biesinger is appointed to replace Michelle Smith as a member with experience in finance or small business management for the State Charter School Board, a term to expire May 31, 2028. See Utah Code 53G-5-201(2)(b)(i).

Uintah Basin Technical College Board of Trustees:

Abby Silva is appointed to replace Annette Meier as a member for the Uintah Basin Technical College Board of Trustees, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 53B-2a-108(2)(c)(i)(B).

Utah Athletic Foundation Board of Directors:

Byron Russell is appointed to replace Vicki Varela as a member for the Utah Athletic Foundation Board of Directors, a term to expire March 1, 2027. See S.J.R. 1 passed February 3, 2007, and Bylaws of Utah Athletic Foundation.

Jeremy Andrus is appointed to replace Becky Kearns as a member for the Utah Athletic Foundation Board of Directors, a term to expire March 1, 2027. See S.J.R. 1 passed February 3, 2007, and Bylaws of Utah Athletic Foundation.

Utah Conservation Commission:

Bruce Christenson is appointed to replace Scott Mower who represents Zone 4 for the Utah Conservation Commission, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 4-18-104(2)(a)(v).

Terry Spackman is reappointed as a member who represents Zone 1 for the Utah Conservation Commission, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 4-18-104(2)(a)(v).

Water Development Coordinating Council:

Zachary Renstrom is appointed as a member who is familiar with water infrastructure projects for the Water Development Coordinating Council, a term to expire June 30, 2028. See Utah Code 73-10c-3(1)(a)(vii)(A).

I hereby certify that the individuals listed in this letter meet the legal requirements for the respective positions. Thank you for your timely consideration and confirmation of the above appointments.

Spencer J. Cox
Governor

CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. President: August 15, 2024

The Senate Education Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 15, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Clint Biesinger as a member with experience in finance or small business management for the State Charter School Board.

Lincoln Fillmore, Chair

Mr. President: August 8, 2024

The Senate Government Operations Confirmation Committee voted to recommend that the Utah Senate approve the appointment of Chris Bramwell as Chief Privacy Officer of the Office of Data Privacy.

Daniel Thatcher, Chair

Mr. President: August 16, 2024

The Senate Health and Human Services Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 16, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Jeff Mason as a member of the Board of Aging and Adult Services; and

The Senate Health and Human Services Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 16, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Patricia Richards as a member of the Board of Aging and Adult Services; and

The Senate Health and Human Services Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 16, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Alan Rice as a member of the Child Care Provider Licensing Committee; and

The Senate Health and Human Services Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 16, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation of Javier Chavez Jr. as a member of the Health Data Committee.

Michael Kennedy, Chair

Mr. President: August 16, 2024
 The Senate Judiciary Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 16, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Georgia Thompson as a member for the Judicial Conduct Commission.

Michael Kennedy, Chair

Mr. President: August 16, 2024
 The Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Confirmation Committee held a meeting on August 13, 2024, and reports a favorable recommendation for the appointment of Ben Nadolski as a member who represents Weber County for the Great Salt Lake Advisory Council.

Scott Sandall, Chair

On motion of Senator Hinkins, the Senate voted to consent to the Governor's appointments on the following roll call vote:

Yeas, 28; Nays, 0; Absent or not voting, 1.

Voting in the affirmative were: Senators

Adams J.	Balderree H.	Blouin N.	Bramble C.
Buxton D.	Cullimore K.	Escamilla L.	Fillmore L.
Grover K.	Harper W.	Hinkins D.	Ipson D.
Kennedy M.	Kwan K.	McCay D.	McKell M.
Millner A.	Owens D.	Pitcher S.	Plumb J.
Riebe K.	Sandall S.	Stevenson J.	Thatcher D.
Vickers E.	Weiler T.	Wilson C.	Winterton R.

Absent or not voting were: Senators

Johnson J.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

President Adams directed Senator Ipson to notify the Governor's representative that the Senate has concluded its business.

Senator Ipson reported that Governor's representative has been notified that the Senate has concluded its business.

On motion of Senator Vickers, and at 4:55 p.m., the Senate adjourned sine die.