The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock A.M. by Hon. John A. Alario Jr., President of the Senate.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Abraham Foil Mizell
Allain Harris Morris
Barrow Henry Peacock
Bernard Hensgens Peterson
Boudreaux Hewitt Pope
Bouie Jackson Price
Carter Johns Reese
Cathey Lambert Smith
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Tarver
Cortez Mills, F. White
Fesi Mills, R. Womack
Total - 39

ABSENT

Total - 0

The President of the Senate announced there were 39 members-elect present and a quorum.

Invocation

The prayer was offered by Reverend Father Neil C. Pettit, following which the Senate was led by First Lieutenant Gene M. Siner in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Messages from the Secretary of the State

The following messages from the Secretary of State were received and read as follows:

STATE OF LOUISIANA
SECRETARY OF STATE
January 3, 2020

To the President of the Senate
State of Louisiana

Dear Sir:

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

Sincerely,
R. KYLE ARDOIN
Secretary of State

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF LOUISIANA
SECRETARY OF STATE

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby certify that the following candidates were declared elected by the people to the office set above their names:

1st Senatorial District
Sharon W. Hewitt

2nd Senatorial District
Edward J. "Ed" Price

3rd Senatorial District
Joseph "Joe" Bouie

4th Senatorial District
"Jimmy" Harris

5th Senatorial District
Karen Carter Peterson

6th Senatorial District
Mack "Bodi" White

7th Senatorial District
Troy A. Carter

8th Senatorial District
Patrick Connick

9th Senatorial District
J. Cameron Henry Jr.

10th Senatorial District
"Kirk" Talbot

11th Senatorial District
Patrick McMATH

12th Senatorial District
"Beth" Mizell

13th Senatorial District
J. Rogers Pope

14th Senatorial District
Cleo Fields

15th Senatorial District
Regina A. Barrow

16th Senatorial District
Franklin Foil

17th Senatorial District
Richard "Rick" Ward

18th Senatorial District
Eddie J. Lambert

19th Senatorial District
Gary L. Smith Jr.

20th Senatorial District
Michael "Big Mike" Fesi

21st Senatorial District
R.L. "Bret" Allain II

22nd Senatorial District
Fred "T-Fred" Mills

23rd Senatorial District
Page Cortez

24th Senatorial District
Gerald Boudreaux

25th Senatorial District
Mark Abraham

26th Senatorial District
"Bob" Hensgens

27th Senatorial District
"Ronnie" Johns

28th Senatorial District
Heather Cloud

29th Senatorial District
Jay Luneau

30th Senatorial District
"Mike" Reese

31st Senatorial District
"Louie" Bernard

32nd Senatorial District
Glen D. Womack

33rd Senatorial District
Stewart Cathey Jr.

34th Senatorial District
Katrina R. Jackson

35th Senatorial District
"Jay" Morris

36th Senatorial District
Robert Mills

37th Senatorial District
Barrow Peacock

38th Senatorial District
Barry Milligan

39th Senatorial District
Gregory Tarver

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 January 3, 2020.

R. KYLE ARDOIN
Secretary of State
Senator Tarver moved that the qualifications of the above named Senators-elect be accepted and the Senators should be administered the Oath of Office.

Without objection.

**Administering the Oath of Office**

The oath prescribed by Article X, Section 30, of the Constitution was administered by Chief Justice Bernette Johnson, to the following hereinafter named Senators-elect:

- Abraham Foil Mizell
- Allain Harris Morris
- Barrow Henry Peacock
- Bernard Hensgens Peterson
- Boudreaux Hewitt Pope
- Bouie Jackson Price
- Carter Johns Reese
- Cathey Lambert Smith
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**Organization**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The President of the Senate declared the election of a President of the Senate was now in order:

**Senator Alario in the Chair**

**Election of President of the Senate**

**Rules Suspended**

Senator Ward moved that Rule 3.1.1 of the Senate relative to the nomination of the President and President Pro Tempore by ballot be suspended

Senator Peacock objected.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following results:

**YEAS**

- Abraham Foil Mizell
- Allain Harris Morris
- Barrow Henry Peacock
- Bernard Hensgens Peterson
- Boudreaux Hewitt Pope
- Bouie Jackson Price
- Carter Johns Reese
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Total - 39

**NAYS**

- Total - 0

The motion carried, and Senator Cortez was elected.

The Oath of Office was administered by Judge Jonathan "JP" Perry.

**Senate President Cortez in the Chair**

**Election of President Pro Tempore of the Senate**

The President of the Senate declared the election of a President Pro Tempore of the Senate was now in order.

Senator Allain placed in nomination the name of Senator Patrick Page Cortez.

Senator Mills seconded the nomination.

Senator Boudreaux moved the nominations be closed and Senator Cortez be elected President of the Senate.

The rolls were called with the following results:

**YEAS**

- Abraham Foil Mizell
- Allain Harris Morris
- Barrow Henry Peacock
- Bernard Hensgens Peterson
- Boudreaux Hewitt Pope
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Total - 39

**NAYS**

- Total - 0

The Chair declared the rules were suspended.
The motion carried, and Senator Mizell was elected.

The Oath of Office was administered by Justice William C. Crain.

**Election of Secretary of the Senate**

The President of the Senate declared the election of a Secretary of the Senate was now in order.

Senator Peterson placed in nomination the name of Yolanda Dixon.

Senator Foil seconded the nomination.

Senator Allain moved the nominations be closed and Yolanda Dixon be elected Secretary of the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

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The motion carried, and Yolanda Dixon was elected.

The Oath of Office was administered by Glenn Koepp.

**Election of Sergeant at Arms of the Senate**

The President of the Senate declared the election of a Sergeant at Arms of the Senate was now in order.

Senator Luneau placed in nomination the name of John Keller.

Senator Smith seconded the nomination.

Senator Ward moved the nominations be closed and John Keller be elected Sergeant at Arms of the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

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The motion carried, and John Keller was elected.

The Oath of Office was administered by Yolanda Dixon.

**Benediction**

The benediction was offered by Reverend David Baudoin.

**Adjournment**

On motion of Senator Talbot the Senate adjourned its organizational meeting.