

The roll call was then taken on election of the Presiding Officer as follows:

FOR SENATOR SOTHORON

Senators:

President, Bailey, Balch, Barton, Beck, Byrnes, Carter, Davis, Della, Ellison, Fraley, Goldstein, Hoff, Hofferbert, Guy Johnson, Kimble, McAllister, McLaughlin, Monroe, O'Neill, Phoebus, Shallcross, Sothoron, Storm, Stormeyer, Thomas, Turnbull, White.

Total—28

The Senator from Wicomico County and the Senator from Allegany County escorted the President to the chair.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The Secretary of State appeared and delivered the following message:

STATE OF MARYLAND

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND CONVENING THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
AT ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1950,
AT 10:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

WHEREAS, When State revenues exceed estimates of amounts needed for governmental operations, a revision downward of taxes is essential; and

WHEREAS, The State revenues have reached a point where such downward revision is possible and desirable.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WM. PRESTON LANE, JR., Governor of the State of Maryland, by virtue of the authority conferred and duly imposed upon me by the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby call a special or extraordinary session of the General Assembly of Maryland to consider amendments to the Sales Tax Law for revision downward of that levy; said special or extraordinary session to begin at 10 A. M. on Friday, November 10, 1950, at the State Capitol, in the City of Annapolis, State of Maryland.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland. Done at the City of Annapolis this fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

By the Governor,

WM. PRESTON LANE, JR.

VIVIAN V. SIMPSON,

Secretary of State.

Which was read.