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The Commission met in the Westin Hotel, America South Room, Huntington Street, Boston, Massachusetts at 8:36 a.m., Kay C. James, Chairperson, presiding.

PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS:

KAY C. JAMES, Chairperson
J. TERRENCE LANNI
ROBERT LOESCHER
WILLIAM BIBLE
LEO MCCARTHY
PAUL MOORE
RICHARD LEONE
JAMES DOBSON
JOHN WILHELM
PRESENT: (CONT.)

GUESTS:

GEORGE TERWILLIGER Counsel

COMMISSION STAFF:

NANCY MOHR KENNEDY Executive Director
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(8:40 a.m.)

CHAIRPERSON JAMES: The appropriate greeting on a morning like this is to say, "Top of the Morning to You."
And I'm also told that there is an appropriate response?

COMMISSIONER MCCARTHY: And the rest of the day to you.

CHAIRPERSON JAMES: There you go. Thank you.

I think I would be remiss if I didn't wish each and every one of you a very Happy St. Patrick's Day. We do have a very ambitious agenda today, and I'd like to immediately proceed. But not without noticing that in this morning's paper, even though the article was good, and you know, I am indeed a woman, and somewhat, you know, the picture is not all that great, but the headlines says, "Federal Panel Holds Hearing Over Massachusetts Lottery".
And I just want to reiterate that that, in fact, is not why we are here as a Commission.

As I said yesterday morning, the Commission is not here to target the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or to hold hearings on the Massachusetts lottery or to hold it up as an example of any kind. This is, indeed, a national Commission and we're looking at the issue and we're very grateful to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and for those individuals associated with the lottery in this state that have been so extremely helpful to us as we put together our Commission meeting.