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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come into order. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 71, offered by Representative Bourne, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 115, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Senate Bill 119, offered by Representative Burke, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 195, offered by Representative Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 447, offered by Representative Scherer, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 450, offered by Representative Ammons, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 528, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 584, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 656, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 659, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 685, offered by Representative Hernandez, Elizabeth, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 947, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 1007, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1035, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1042, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1043, offered by Representative Ugaste, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1055, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill

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1090, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 1221, offered by Representative Harris, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 1377, offered by Representative Halpin, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 1418, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1496, offered by Representative Carroll, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 1519, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 1595, offered by Representative Turner, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1599, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 1674, offered by Representative Halpin, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 1694, offered by Representative Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 1750, offered by Representative Bristow, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 1882, offered by Representative Connor, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 1934, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 1939, offered by Representative Harris, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Senate Bill 1941, offered by Representative Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning education. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction of Resolutions. Senate Joint Resolution 1, offered by Representative Moeller. Senate Joint Resolution 4, offered by Representative Costello. Senate Joint Resolution 21, offered by Representative Villa. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

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Speaker Turner: "Members are asked to be at their seats. We shall be led in prayer today by Pastor Cal Blackerby who is with the Catch the Fire Church in Cowden. Pastor Cal Blackerby is the guest of Representative Halbbrook. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance."

Pastor Blackerby: "Heavenly Father, I give you praise, I give you honor, and I give you glory right now, Lord, that I can stand in our state's Capitol and lift up a prayer to your holy throne. And I thank you, Lord, for this state called Illinois. A place, Lord, where I was born and raised. A place where I live, a place that I call home, a place where I'm raising my own family. And, God, I pray for the State of Illinois right now. I pray, God, that every county, the 102 counties that make up the State of Illinois would feel the glory of God. From Rockford to Paducah, from St. Louis to Terra Haute. We lift up this state to the thrown of God right now. And, God, I pray right now for 118 House of Representative Members. God, I pray that you would give them grace, that you would give them mercy. God, I pray for them that you would give them humility and they would seek your face every day when they wake up. I pray, God, for their families, I pray an hedge of protection around them as they travel to and fro from Springfield to their respected territories, their districts. God, I pray right now that they would join together, Democrat, Republican, it doesn't matter, white, black, Hispanic, Asian. God, I pray that unity would be in this House. God, I pray right now unity in the mighty name of our Lord and Savior

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Jesus Christ. And, God, I lift up JB Pritzker right now, our Governor. God, I pray that you give him strength to guide and lead the citizens of this great state called Illinois. And, God, right now I give you praise, I give you honor, and I give you glory. And I ask all this now in the mighty matchless name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth."

Speaker Turner: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Walker."

Walker - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Turner: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Harris is recognized."

Harris: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Ramirez is excused on the Democrat side of the aisle today."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler is recognized."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the Journal reflect that Representatives Batinick, Bryant, and Parkhurst are excused. And let me add that Representative Bennett is not excused today. He's back in his chair underneath the Abraham Lincoln over there."

Speaker Turner: "With 113 Members present, a quorum is established. Welcome back, Representative Bennett. On page 5 of the Calendar, under the Order of Agreed Resolutions, we have House Resolution 264, offered by Representative Butler. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 264. Be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN that we congratulate the Hartsburg-Emden Elementary School Eighth Grade Volleyball Team, the Stags, on winning the 2019 Elementary School Association Eighth Grade Class 1A State Tournament."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Butler is recognized on the Resolution."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's my great honor to offer House Resolution 264 that recognizes a true dynasty in volleyball in my district. Hartsburg-Emden is a very small school district in the heart of Logan County in the 87th District, but this year we have the eighth grade State Volleyball Champions, the Stags, who defeated Limestone Walters on Saint Patrick's Day 25-8 and 25-7. This year's championship is the eighth straight for Hartsburg-Emden. It's quite amazing what they've done at this small school. I'd like to congratulate them. Head Coach Jennifer Hayes and all the girls there on the volleyball team, congratulations on yet another state championship."

Speaker Turner: "Congratulations, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Butler moves for the adoption of House Resolution 264. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 319, Representative Meier. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 319. Be it

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HEREIN, that we congratulate the men who comprise the Kaskaskia College Men's Basketball Team, the Blue Devils, and Coach Hancock and his Assistant Coach Sparks on an outstanding season. The Blue Devils won the hearts of many fans who cheered them till the very end."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Meier is recognized on the Resolution."

Meier: "Yes. This Resolution honors Kaskaskia College Blue Devils. They've had a Cinderella season this year. They've made our whole area proud. The season ended in Hutchinson, Kansas after they made the top 16 teams in the National Tournament with a record of 24-11. And today, in the Speaker's Gallery, they all stand with their college President George Evans is up there also. We have Parker Dortch, Quin Nottingham, Stone Parker, Jamal Thomas, Ryan Saunders, Dawson Linder, Garrett Belcher, Jordan Maines, Jalen Williams, Shane Ganz, Ifeoluwa Shoyoye, Jacob Thompson, La-Quiem Walker, and Thomas Bell. I hope everyone welcomes them here today and congratulates them. And we wish you a bright future. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Congratulations, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Meier moves for the adoption of House Resolution 319. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Members, we have House Resolution 332, offered by Representative Severin. Can everyone please stand? Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 332. Be it

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HEREIN, that we mourn the death and celebrate the life of Marion Mayor Robert L. 'Bob' Butler, recognize his contributions to the city of Marion and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Severin is recognized on the Resolution."

Severin: "Thank you. It's my honor and privilege this afternoon to share with you the life of Robert 'Bob', Butler who is the Mayor of Marion. He served as the Mayor of Marion the longest serving Mayor not only in the State of Illinois but in the United States. He served 54 years and 9 months. He passed away a week ago yesterday which is kind of unique in his life that the day that the new Mayor was sworn in was the day that Mayor Butler passed away. And so today his funeral is at 1:45 this afternoon. And I appreciate also the Governor's Office providing a proclamation for the City of Marion and for his family. And it goes without saying that he was an awesome gentlemen, he was interesting to fight for Southern Illinois, to fight for the City of Marion and the growth of that and the success of Marion has a lot to do with Robert 'Bob', Butler. And so he called it the hub of the universe and if you questioned on him, he would take you to task. And so I just wanted to share that this afternoon with all of you and I appreciate the... this time and I ask for a moment of silence please."

Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you, Members. Thank you, Representative Severin. Representative Severin moves for the adoption of House

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Resolution 332. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Morgan, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Morgan: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Morgan: "Thank you. If I could have the attention of the Body please. I rise in solidarity today with the Jewish community. The Jewish community and the Chabad of Paw-way, California, which as many of you know over the weekend suffered a deadly terrorist attack against the congregation. Many of whom were injured including the Rabbi, Rabbi Yisroel Goldstein including the death of a congregante, Lori Gilbert Kaye. My colleagues and I on this floor have talked about the rise of anti-Semitism recently. Warned about this risks and the dangers not just to an individual but to a community and to all of our communities that are practicing the religious faith. And this weekend we saw what happens. We saw what happens when there's a rise of anti-Semitism, we saw with the shooting in the Chabad, we saw the shooting in the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburg, the First Baptist Church shooting in Texas a few years ago, the Methodist Church shooting in Charleston, South Carolina, and of course the deadly shooting just a few weeks ago in Sri Lankan against people who are practicing their faith. So what can be done? What can be done about hate speech, hate crimes, hate attacks? Cause hate crimes are different than other crimes in the sense that they are designed to terrorize an entire community. When I was attacked in high school and beaten and kicked in the

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head because I was Jewish, it wasn't an attack on me, it was an attack on the Jewish community. When one of my gym clothes was stolen and had swastikas put all over it and spread throughout the school, it wasn't an attack on me, it was an attack on the community. It was meant to send a message. So this Body, all of us, we can make a difference. As there's a rise in hate crimes and anti-Semitism and hate in general, hate in general on the left and on the right, this rise of hate, what we can do is we can show leadership. We can show compassion for everyone. We can show decency. As we enter this month of May, and we spend our time together, please let us bend the curve in honor and support of our brothers and our sisters, in brotherhood and sisterhood. Let us support and protect the safety of those that are trying to pray regardless of their religious beliefs. And in closing, in the words of Rabbi Goldstein who was injured this weekend, 'Hate can only be fought with strength, with kindness, and with light'. With strength, kindness, and with light. And with that I ask this Body to take a moment of silence."

Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you, Members. And thank you, Representative Morgan. Representative Welter, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Welter: "For a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Welter: "I want to thank my General Assembly family for the kind comments and well wishes my wife Ashley and I received as we welcomed our third child into the world. Miss April Lorraine Welter was born a week ago today at Morris Hospital at 7:59

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a.m. She weighed in at 7 pounds even and just over 19 inches in height. During what is one of the most precious times in our lives that we spent that day and the following days in the hospital as Ashley was recovering from the birth. After April was born, Ashley was moved to the recovery room and we spent the rest of the day in the room with our newborn daughter. That day and the days that followed, we watched both local and national news as we followed the coverage of a missing child, AJ. To the murder of young AJ and ultimately to the murder charges filed against his parents. We followed as we learned of the many times that the family had with the local police and DCFS. We witnessed again, just as we have in several recent headline news articles, we failed another child. I say we because this Body that we have the honor of serving in, holds a level of responsibility and oversight to prevent more children across our state from having to endure the life that AJ was forced to endure. That's why I'm calling on Governor Pritzker to do whatever is in his power to help reform the agency that is underfunded, understaffed, and at times underappreciated. I believe this rises to level of a public health crisis. I also want to remind everyone of the need not just for more funding, but for real reforms. The ones that actually lead to better results. We have to do better for the children of this state, we have to. Us, the Governor, the Senate, it's our responsibility to stop failing the children across Illinois. Can we please have a moment of silence for the children across the state that we failed, that were lost to abuse that could have been prevented."

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Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you, Members. Thank you, Representative Welter. Representative Meier, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Meier: "Yes, I'd like to recognize the Pages that Terri Bryant and myself have here today from Central High School that are up front. Kurt Peters, Jack Hoelscher, Marshall Smith, Alyssa Kuhl, Chase Wise, and Elena Rolves. Thank you, and welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Flowers, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Flowers: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed Representative."

Flowers: "I want to commend the young... the Speaker that was talking about AJ... please forgive me. I want to commend you on your remarks, because for the 34 years that I've been down here in Springfield, the first thing I started working on 34 years ago was DCFS and the problems that we have today are the same problems that we had 34 years ago. The conversations that we are having, we need more money, but the fact of the matter is, that these are children, these are families. And there was a time where we were separating families. That did... that would not have made anyone any better because that family needs help and that child needs his family so it's in our best interest to help the entire family when we can. There are Federal Laws that's being violated, there are State Laws that's being violated. We have the laws in place to protect the children, but they're not being followed. We have sent

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people to jail for falsifying information and that's exactly what happened in the Semaj case and that's what's happening in the AJ cases and all the other cases across the state. We can give this state... we can give this agency all the money in the world, but if they don't have it within their heart to do their due diligence and to do their job, all the money in the world would not have saved any of the kids as you see. We need to stop balancing the budget off the backs of our families. They are in need, they are crying for help every day. AJ had an older brother. Had there been some backup, had there been some information that a worker could know that the older brother is with the grandmother, we would have known, someone should have known. As a matter of fact, it was doctors, lawyers, teachers, all kinds of people was hollering fire, fire but it was all ignored. So I want to thank you, Sir, for your comments and I concur with you 100 percent. And the department... I'm sorry... our Human Services Committee will also be having a hearing in regards to DCFS as well as my committee Health Care Access & Availability. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Chair recognizes Representative Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Wheeler: "Thank you. I rise today to recognize the 111th birthday of the United States Army Reserve which occurred last week while we were on break. The United States Army Reserve was founded on April 23, 1908 which at its inception was comprised of a tiny core of medical professionals ready to be called upon if needed. Today, the Global Operational Reserve Force

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providing predictable capabilities and direct support of America's active duty forces numbers approximately 200 thousand soldiers across 20 time zones, poised, positioned, and ready to defend freedom on every front. They are the most capable, combat ready, and lethal Federal Reserve force in the history of our nation. Today there are 7,113 Illinois soldiers in the U.S. Army Reserve in addition to 250 civilians serving at 24 facilities across our state. We salute these men and women for their service. The world is constantly changing. And as our national security challenges at home and abroad continue to evolve, one thing remains constant, the Army Reserve will remain the dedicated Federal Reserve of the most decisive land force in the world, ready to deploy, fight and win on the battlefields of today and tomorrow. Happy birthday Army Reserve. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committee was cancelled for this afternoon. Agriculture & Conservation has been cancelled. Meeting at 2 p.m. is Insurance in Room 118, Public Utilities in Room 114, Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges in C-1, Adoption & Child Welfare in 122. Meeting at 3:30 is Energy & Environment in Room 114, Financial Institutions in C-1, Cities & Villages in 122, Judiciary - Criminal in Room 118. Once again, Agriculture & Conservation has been cancelled."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Willis is recognized."

Willis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Democrats will caucus in Room 114 upon adjournment."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Butler is recognized."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans will caucus upon adjournment as well in Room 118."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 297, offered by Representative McAuliffe. House Resolution 299, offered by Representative Carroll. House Resolution 300, offered by Representative Davis. House Resolution 301, offered by Representative Moeller. House Resolution 302, offered by Representative Evans. House Resolution 306, offered by Representative Mah. House Resolution 308, offered by Representative Harper. House Resolution 309, offered by Representative Robinson. House Resolution 310, offered by Representative Kifowit. House Resolution 311, offered by Representative Marron. House Resolution 312, offered by Representative Yingling. House Resolution 313, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 314, offered by Representative Mah. House Resolution 315, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 316, offered by Representative Feigenholtz. House Resolution 318, offered by Representative Mazzochi. House Resolution 320, offered by Representative Moylan. House Resolution 321, offered by Representative Moylan. House Resolution 322, offered by Representative Stava-Murray. House Resolution 324, offered by Representative Spain. House Resolution 325, offered by Representative Spain. House Resolution 328, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin. House Resolution 329, offered

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by Representative Feigenholtz. House Resolution 330, offered by Representative Lisa Hernandez. House Resolution 331, offered by Representative Morrison. House Resolution 334, offered by Representative Wheeler. And House Joint Resolution 64, offered by Representative Feigenholtz."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Harris moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Harris moves that the House stand adjourned until Wednesday, May 1 at the hour of 12 noon, Wednesday, May 1 at the hour of noon. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come into order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 3834, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 303, offered by Representative Moeller. House Resolution 305, offered by Representative Mah. House Resolution 307, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 317, offered by Representative Morgan. House Resolution 326, offered by Representative Greenwood. House Resolution 327, offered by Representative Halpin. House Resolution 335, offered by Representative Ford. House Joint Resolution 65, offered by Representative Costello. And House Joint Resolution 66, offered by Representative Reick. These are referred to the Rules Committee. Introduction and First Reading in full of

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House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #32, offered by Representative Skillicorn. Be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Section 8 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

SECTION 8. PASSAGE OF BILLS

(a) The enacting clause of the laws of this State shall be: "Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly."

(b) The General Assembly shall enact laws only by bill. Bills may originate in either house, but may be amended or rejected by the other.

(c) No bill shall become a law without the concurrence of a majority of the members elected to each house. Final passage of a bill shall be by record vote. In the Senate at the request of two members, and in the House at the request of five members, a record vote may be taken on any other occasion. A record vote is a vote by yeas and nays entered on the journal.

(d) A bill shall be read by title on three different days in each house. An amendment to a bill may not be adopted less than seventy-two hours after the amendment is read for the first time. A bill and each amendment thereto shall be reproduced and placed on the desk of each member before final passage.

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Bills, except bills for appropriations and for the codification, revision or rearrangement of laws, shall be confined to one subject. Appropriation bills shall be limited to the subject of appropriations.

A bill expressly amending a law shall set forth completely the sections amended.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall sign each bill that passes both houses to certify that the procedural requirements for passage have been met.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. This was First Reading in Full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #32. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."