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Speaker Andrade: "The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee... Pastor Lee Crawford, the Pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and for the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Crawford."

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Gracious and sovereign God, giver and sustainer of life, may your blessings of sight and hearing be upon this august Assembly. May you open their eyes to see you, open their ears to hear you, open their hearts to receive you. May your blessings of wisdom and strength be upon the Speaker of this illustrious House, upon its esteemed Leaders, upon its honored Members, upon all of its staff. I pray that you would grant them direction and grant them guidance. I pray you will hold their hands and order the steps according to the ways of your word and not their own. I pray that you will stretch out your sovereign hand this day, God, and raise them up, for it is you that is the lifter of their heads and you are the lifter of their hearts. Give them strength for the work that they do in the sometime tedious task at hand. Grant them wisdom for the decisions that they make. Grant them guidance for the directions in which they lead. Purify their motives. Protect them from themselves. Protect them from self-harm. Protect them from institutional-harm. Protect them from corporate-harm. Protect them from economical-harm. Help them to bow before the greatness of your throne, that they may ask for your help, less under the sometime the enormous weight of pressure that they may break. May they

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never lose hope. May they never lose sight. May they never forget your promise. He who bless me, I will bless them. He who honors me, I will honor them. And what they do to the least one of yours, they have done unto you. This we kindly pray, Amen."

Speaker Andrade: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Hamilton."

Hamilton - 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 Andrade: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Greenwood is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The following Representatives are excused for the day. Representatives Ammons, Burke, Hirschauer, Hurley, Lilly, Mayfield, Tarver, and Representative Gordon-Booth."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Welter is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle."

Welter: "Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect that Representatives Stephens, Frese, being Randy Frese, Meier, Niemerg, Halbrog, Wilhour, Sosnowski, Luft, McLaughlin, and Leader Durkin are excused for the day."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood is recognized."

Greenwood: "Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect that Representative Yingling is excused for the day also."

Speaker Andrade: "Thank you. Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded

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themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 92 Members present, Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Halpin, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel & Pensions reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4677, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4740, Floor Amendment(s) 4 to House Bill 5472. Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 3296. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 and 3 to House Bill 1167. Representative Walker, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4689. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4247, Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4265, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4267, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5175. Representative Scherer, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools reports the

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following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4798. Representative Moylan, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4825. Representative Moeller, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 4165. Representative Slaughter, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on February 24, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 3659, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 3988, Floor Amendment(s) 2 House Bill 4305, and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 5041. Representative Carroll, Chairperson from the Committee on Consumer Protection reports the following committee action taken on February 25, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 2910. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on February 25, 2022: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4600. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 691, offered by Representative Andrade, is referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Andrade: "Members, an announcement. This is a reminder of House Rule 51.5. Please remember to wear face covering that covers the nose and mouth. Face coverings should remain on while speaking on the microphone at your desks. To help reduce

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the spread of COVID-19, we ask that Members refrain as much as possible from eating or drinking on the House Floor and refrain from congregating in groups. We ask that all Members take these directives seriously to keep fellow Members and staff safe. Again, please remember to wear face covering, including while speaking on the microphone, as pursuant to House Rule 51.5. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, please read the Adjournment Resolution."

Clerk Hollman: "House Joint Resolution 71, offered by Representative Harris.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the two Houses adjourn on Friday, February 25, 2022, the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 1, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Wednesday, March 2, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Thursday, March 3, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Friday, March 4 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Monday, March 7, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 8, 2022, or until the call of the Speaker; and the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 8, 2022, or until the call of the President."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood moves the adoption of the Adjournment Resolution. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Adjournment Resolution is adopted.

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Representative Butler... Leader Butler, for what reason do you rise?"

Butler: "A point of personal privilege, if it's in order, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Butler: "Thank you. I'd like to first thank the Representatives who've taken the time over the last few days to recognize the terrible actions that are going on in Ukraine, especially Representative Kifowit's heartfelt remarks yesterday and Representative Swanson's remarks as veterans mean a lot. Today, on this very day three days ago, in this very chamber, I had the honor to host a delegation of young Ukrainian leaders here in our State Capitol. Three out of the four years... that was the third out of four years that I've been able to talk to Ukrainian leaders, up and coming leaders, that participate in the Open World Program, which is a congressionally-led program to bring young leaders from Eastern European nations to the United States to learn about democracy and free markets. Our Illinois National Guard, which I'm proud to represent the home of the Illinois National Guard here in Springfield, for 11 months in 2020 and 2021 was deployed to Ukraine via our 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team that helped train some of the very Ukrainian soldiers who are defending their capital city at this moment. Illinois has a huge stake in the aggression that's happening in Ukraine, and we must stand up to it. Leader Demmer, yesterday, talked a little bit about what we can do in our own way in the State of Illinois. We can support our significant Ukrainian population here in Illinois. We can look at legislation

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proposed by Leader Demmer and Leader Durkin that look at what we do with refugees or making sure we're not investing in Russian things in Illinois. We can ensure that we do all that we can to support our National Guard, the very folks that have trained these Ukrainian soldiers, to support our National Guard. Everything we can do to do that. We can look at things... when Alexander Ovechkin, one of the biggest Putin supporters, comes to town to play the Blackhawks, maybe the media should harass him and find out why the hell he supports Putin. Why he's making money, significant money, here in the United States. We have Russian athletes that have... Russian oligarchs that have made millions, billions in the United States. We need to hold them to account. You also need to ask your Member of Congress what they intend to do. What sanctions are they going to support? Are they going to support the hardest possible sanctions against Russia to hold them accountable? Are they going to fully support our military? Are they going to help provide the Ukrainian people the true resources they need to defend themselves, beyond sanctions? Are we going to provide them the weapons they need to defend against Russia? That's what you need to ask your Member of Congress. Have they stood strong in the condemnation of the actions by the imperialistic authoritarian regime headed by Putin? Or did they deflect and send their prayers to the people of Ukraine? Folks, the future of a freedom-loving, democratically-elected ally of the United States is at stake. Thoughts and prayers don't cut it, folks. My father and my grandfather fought on those fields in Europe in War World II and World War I against authoritarianism. It's terrible to

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see it happening again today. Democracy's in peril on that great continent, where many of us have roots. We must vigorously defend those nations and people who share our values of equality, justice, democracy, and freedom. Russia is not our friend. I'm going to remind you of that nice little hack they did to our election systems in 2016. Russia's not our friend. Yet for two decades we tried to appease Putin, and it's gotten us exactly where we're at today. Appeasing Putin has gotten Georgia invaded and Ukraine invaded twice. It's time we stand up. It's time we stand up and do what we can to defend democracy around the world. That's what we do as Americans. We have our own problems here at home. We have our own fights. But what we all believe in is the democratic values that have made this country strong for 246 years. That's what we need to do. We need to stand with Ukraine. Because those people that I hosted in the chamber, they're on Putin's hit list today. That's exactly who they are. They're city council members, economic development people, leaders in their communities, and they're on his hit list. And we need to defend them. We need to stand with Ukraine. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Caulkins, for what do you wish to be recognized for?"

Caulkins: "Mr. Speaker, Monday, February 28 will soon be upon us. The Governor has announced he's lifting the indoor mask mandates. Today the Secretary of State announced that customers or citizens that are going to visit the Secretary of State's Office no longer have to wear a mask to enter. So, today, again, I rise to remind you that I have filed House

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Resolution 673. Under House Rules 18(g), I move that the Resolution be discharged from the House Rules Committee. I ask for a recorded vote on the Motion to Discharge. Under Rule 49, any vote shall be by recorded vote whenever five Representatives shall so request. There are at least five Members on my side who wish for a recorded vote on the Motion to Discharge the Resolution from the House Rules Committee."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Manley."

Manley: "Mr. Speaker, I object."

Speaker Andrade: "This Motion requires unanimous consent. There is not unanimous consent at this moment. Leader Demmer, for what reason do you wish to be recognized?"

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed, Leader."

Demmer: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, over the past several months, in Washington, D.C., there have been quite a few discussions among Members of Congress, among members of the judiciary, among appointees about how they can engage in the buying and selling of stocks, given the information that they have, given the insight that they have that might be nonpublic information. And a lot of the tension has come from the public on these because the people of the United States and the people of Illinois expect that their elected officials will be engaged in the best interest of the public and not their own personal financial gain. And they rightfully expect that. And we, as elected officials, should do everything we can to make sure that we're cultivating that public trust, that we're earning that public trust, and that we are showing.. leading by example to embrace transparency

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and accountability every opportunity we have. That conversation's been ongoing in Washington, D.C. Over in Illinois, over the last several years, we've been having conversations as well about statements of economic interest, about what we can do to show... to be transparent to the people that we're elected to serve, that we have their best interest in mind. Again today, we see another investigation by the Better Government Association showing that there are some real holes, some real problems in the statements of economic interest that get filed and around what involvement, what knowledge, and what insight elected officials in Illinois have over their own financial holdings. I just rise today to call attention to a Bill that I recently filed, House Bill 5700, which would strengthen those economic interest disclosures and really look at individuals in the Executive Branch and over departments, over state departments. These are some of the very folks who are able to sign contracts to enter the state into financial obligations. And they can do so at any point throughout the year and then... that's part of their job. My Bill would require statements of economic interest to be filed quarterly by these folks. Today there's... there's a gap. We file statements of economic interest once a year. Over the course of that year, you could buy and sell a stock. And if you don't hold it on the day of the statement of economic interest, it never has to be reported. We don't need to look very far to see that the market can move dramatically in a very short period of time. And so, I think we should ask ourselves in this chamber, what can we do to show the public that we're taking this very seriously? What

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can we do to add ethics requirements and add transparency to this process? And what can we do to avoid there being another investigation, another investigation, another report just for years and years to come? So, folks, I can... I urge you to look at House Bill 5700 and consider joining on as a cosponsor to that Bill as a way to show the people of Illinois that we're serious about economic interest disclosures, that we're serious about ethics in public office, and that we're serious about making sure that these perceived conflicts don't continue. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Davis, for what reason do you wish to be recognized?"

Davis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today on behalf of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus to present today's black history moment. Thank you for indulging me, Members of the House, Mr. Speaker. Today we celebrate a gentleman named Jesse Binga, a pioneer in black business achievement and one of the wealthiest black men in Chicago in the earliest... early 20th century. Excuse me. Jesse Binga was born April 10, 1865 in Detroit, Michigan. He dropped out of high school to collect rent on his mother's property in Detroit, and eventually worked as a barber and a Pullman porter on the West Coast. In 1893, Binga came to Chicago with \$10 in his pocket. Through successful real estate investment, Binga was able to open Chicago's first black-owned bank in 1908. Where other banks discriminated against black Americans, Binga's banks provided services to black Chicagoans and those who moved north during what is referred to as the Great Migration. As the bank grew, other black businesses grew around it and provided economic

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development and employment opportunities for Chicago's growing class of black leaders. Binga was also a leading philanthropist and was an honorary member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated. As a successful entrepreneur, Binga moved his family into an all-white neighborhood. Terrorists who opposed his residence outside of the African American community bombed his home five times in 1919... 1919 to get his family to move out of the neighborhood. Fortunately, Binga stayed and continued to prosper, obtaining thousands of property leaseholds throughout the Chicagoland area. He passed away in 1950. Thank you very much, Members of this chamber."

Speaker Andrade: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 688, offered by Speaker Welch. House Resolution 689, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin. And House Resolution 690, offered by Representative Ammons."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption... adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Tuesday, March 1, at the hour of noon. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned. Thank you. Drive safely home."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill

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62, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 705, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Senate Bill 829, offered by Representative Stuart, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 1015, offered by Speaker Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1016, offered by Representative Welch... Speaker Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1099, offered by Speaker Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 1143, offered by Speaker Welch, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1405, offered by Representative Bos, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 2154, offered by Representative Hammond, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 2552, offered by Representative Delgado, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 2973, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 3024, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3036, offered by Representative Tarver, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3092, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 3106, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3120, offered by Representative Moeller, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 3146, offered by Representative Collins, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 3157, offered by Representative Windhorst, a Bill for an Act concerning civil

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law. Senate Bill 3184, offered by Representative Greenwood, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Senate Bill 3467, offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3626, offered by Leader Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3634, offered by Representative Stava-Murray, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3651, offered by Representative LaPointe, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3652, offered by Representative LaPointe, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3695, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3737, offered by Representative Wheeler, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3778, offered by Representative Greenwood, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3786, offered by Representative Avelar, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3789, offered by Representative Carroll, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3819, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3838, offered by Representative Bennett, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 3865, offered by Representative Avelar, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3866, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3882, offered by Representative Stava-Murray, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3889, offered by Representative Manley, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 3905, offered by

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Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3907, offered by Representative Stava-Murray, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3908, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning natural resources. Senate Bill 3917, offered by Representative Halpin, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3925, offered by Representative Robinson, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3932, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3936, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning schools. Senate Bill 3938, offered by Representative Robinson, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3939, offered by Representative Robinson, a Bill for an Act concerning cybersecurity. Senate Bill 3971, offered by Representative Ford, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3972, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3986, offered by Representative Tarver, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 4006, offered by Representative Willis, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 4013, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 4016, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 4044, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 4053, offered by Representative Hurley, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5706, offered by Representative

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Smith, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. First Reading of this House Bill. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."