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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 Wayne Padget, the Assistant Doorkeeper. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Wayne Padget: "Let us pray. Dear heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to meet together today. As we leave the Capitol, surround us with your love. Lord, allow us to see your beauty, feel your love, know your wisdom, and experience your power. May we find the comfort we desire in you and the strength we need in your name. Surround us with your presence and be with us in every hour of the day. May your love be the passion in our hearts, your joy be our strength when times are hard, and your presence be the peace that overflows in our lives. These things we pray, Amen."

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

Keicher - 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. Let the record show that Representatives Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz, Kelly Cassidy, Marcus Evans, Sonya Harper, Barbara Hernandez, Fran Hurley, and Denyse Stoneback are excused today."

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Speaker Andrade: "Thank you. 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 Caulkins, Hamilton, and Morrison are excused for the day."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 100 Members present, answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Kifowit, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on March 9, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Resolutions 467, 504, 661, 665, 677, and 684. Representative Smith, Chairperson from the Committee on Economic Opportunity & Equity reports the following committee action taken on March 9, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 636 and 672. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee action taken on March 9, 2022: recommends be adopted is House Resolution 582 and 670. Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-Public Safety reports the following committee action taken on March 9, 2022: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 5262. Representative Crespo, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-General Services reports the following committee action taken on March 9, 2022: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4285, House Bill 4544, and House Bill 4783. Representative Ford, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-Higher Education reports the following committee action taken on

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March 10, 2022: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 5358 and House Bill 5561."

Speaker Andrade: "Mr. Clerk, please read the Adjournment Resolution."

Clerk Hollman: "House Joint Resolution #78, 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 Thursday, March 10, 2022, the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 15, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Wednesday, March 16, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Thursday, March 17, 2022, and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 22, 2022, or until the call of the Speaker; and the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, March 22, 2022, or until the call of the President."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood moves for 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. Leader Greenwood."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that Representatives Charlie Meier and Tim Ozinga be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely. And Representative Carol Ammons be allowed to participate remotely."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Greenwood... Leader Greenwood has made a Motion that Representatives Charlie Meier, Tim Ozinga,

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and Carol... Representative Ammons be allowed to participate and cast their vote remotely. There is a roll call vote. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Clerk, take the record. On this Motion, there are 73 voting 'yes', 17 voting 'no', and 5 voting 'present'. And the Motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Hollman: "Is Representative Ammons present? Is Representative Meier present?"

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Meier is present. Is Representative Ozinga present?"

Ozinga: "Ozinga is here."

Clerk Hollman: "Representative Ozinga is present."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Niemerg, what do you wish to rise for?"

Niemerg: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Niemerg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Not as if this individual needs more attention on the House Floor than what he already gets, but I'd like to wish our friend and colleague, Representative Blaine Wilhour, a very happy 40th birthday."

Speaker Andrade: "On page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of Agreed Resolutions, we have House Resolution 716, offered by Representative Marron. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "House Resolution 716."

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate the Schlarman Academy 8th grade boys basketball

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team, the Hilltoppers, on winning the 2022 Illinois Elementary School Association Class 8-1A State Championship."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Marron is recognized."

Marron: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I ask today for approval of House Resolution 716 to congratulate some boys that we are very, very proud of back home in Danville, Illinois, in Vermilion County. The Schlarman Hilltoppers, who won the State 8-1A Elementary School Basketball Championship, defeating, on February 16, 2022, Jacksonville.. the Saviour School of Jacksonville 36-31. And I got to hand it to my good friend and colleague, Representative C.D. Davidsmeyer. We had a little friendly wager going on, and I.. I got bragging rights on Representative Davidsmeyer for a while. But also, good job to Jacksonville for putting up a fight. And we're very proud of these boys. Please give them some acknowledgement and welcome them to Springfield to the General Assembly."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Butler, for what reason do you wish to rise?"

Butler: "To the Resolution. I just want to say congratulations to Schlarman for being here. This is another way that we're getting back to normal. This is the first championship team to be in this chamber in over two years since the Rochester Rockets football team was here. So, Schlarman, thank you for being here and congratulations."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Marron moves for the adoption of House Resolution 716. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Weber, for what reason do you wish to rise?"

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Weber: "Personal point of privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Weber: "Members of the Illinois House of Representatives, I want to go... ask you to go back in your memories three years ago. Most of us went... many of us went to Chicago to hear the story about a child, a newborn child that was taken away from his parents because he was born with the drugs that his mother was addicted to in his body. But I want you to think about what it must have been like for that same smart and curious child to suffer years of physical and emotional abuse. And after more than 17 visits by DCFS, silence. Remember the bruises that the boy had. And he told the physician, 'Maybe mommy hit me with a belt, and maybe mommy didn't mean to hurt me.' On April 15, 2019, that five-year-old child, named AJ, was forced into freezing cold shower and beaten to death and buried in a shallow grave by his parents. This year we hear another story. January 8, nine days after his birthday, the naked and half burned body of another child found in Gary, Indiana, from North Chicago. Yet again, that child had contact with DCFS. DCFS's own records show that from 2010 to 2020 1,122 children known to the department have died. Folks, something is very, seriously wrong. Despite the consistent and the stories that we hear all over and the failures at all levels, there continues to be resistance to change. No state agency is above reproach or oversight, especially not an agency that is tasked with taking care of our children. Our director, held in contempt six times for not fulfilling his duties. I'm asking this Body to help me reassert legislative oversight and craft real, meaningful legislative change. The

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children of our state cannot afford for us to continue to defer to failed leadership, empty promises. Ladies and Gentlemen, the system is broken. If you want the stories to change that we hear over and over again, we have to fix the broken system. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Ford, for what reason do you wish to rise?"

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I second Representative Weber's sentiment and speech. Today I rise also with a heavy heart about a WGN security guard, who was just trying to pump her gas, that was killed. I happened to have the opportunity to encounter with the victim when I would go to WGN for business. The Tribune did a story, and I want to share it. Paige Fry did a story, and it says, 'Two brothers accused in slaying of WGN security guard who was just trying to pump her gas.' It says, 'Two brothers, 17 and 22, were charged Wednesday in the fatal shooting of a WGN security guard who was a mother of two, according to officials and news stations.' Now, that's... we talk about the system, 17-year-old, 22-year-old involved in criminal activity that's accused of killing a mother of 2. You're talking about having to fix a system, not just a system of justice in our... the way we prosecute people... and I want to stand firm that people that kill people deserve to pay the price. But I also want to make sure that we know, as a Body, that we have to do everything that we can to prevent people from falling in despair. Because we do recommend that they pay the price for the crimes they commit, but we also know they could be prevented. It goes on to say, about 3 p.m. Monday, Salena is

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her name, Claybourne, 35, was held.. was headed home from work and was in her vehicle after pumping gas at her regular station in the 6700 block of South Jeffery Boulevard in the Jackson Park Highland neighborhood when a man who wanted to steal her vehicle shot her after seeing her security jacket. Claybourne was shot in the left shoulder and the face and was taken to the University of Chicago Medical Center, where she later died, the Chicago police said. Claybourne was pronounced dead at 3:35 p.m. Monday due to multiple gunshot wounds, according to the Cook County medical examiners. The 17-year-old was charged as an adult with first-degree murder and attempt aggravated vehicular hijacking, while the brother, 22, of the Oakland neighborhood, was also charged with first-degree murder. And a message from mom. The mother wrote and did an interview with the *Chicago Tribune*. She said, 'My name is Donna, and I have just lost my baby girl. My daughter was a beautiful person in and out and could put a smile on anyone's face. She also has two daughters that are 15 years old and 14 years old and they are grieving. We just found out that she didn't have any insurance, the GoFundMe said. Please help my family and I give her a homegoing that she deserves. The rest of these funds will go to the daughters so that they can continue with their life. Please help through these very difficult times.' And so, I read that because we need to support that family and all people that's victims of violence. And as a father, and a son, and a brother, it's something that we all should recognize that we have to do everything that we can. Every day that we come down here to be really open to the change that Weber was talking about,

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changing a system and really opening our minds to think outside of the box to help people across this state. And so, I ask now that we pause for a moment of silence for the victim, Salena Claybourne. And thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Ford has asked for a moment of silence. Thank you, Members. We'll be at pause for a moment. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Is Representative Ammons present?"

Ammons: "Yes, I'm present."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons is present."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Welter, what reason do you wish to be... rise?"

Welter: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Welter: "Yes. Members, if you would please indulge me. I know there's been a lot of sorrow shared today, but I wanted to come to you and bring to your attention some news. It's with a very heavy heart... some of you might remember a young girl by the name of Megan Bugg that, in 2018, she was a Page for the day with me. But we're also honoring her on this House Floor with a Resolution recognizing her for the efforts and advocacy around childhood cancer. Megan is from my community, and at 13 she was diagnosed with childhood cancer. She fought, and she fought, and she fought. And unfortunately, last night at about 7:45, Megan lost her fight with her parents by her side, holding her at their home. But many of you, on both sides of the aisle, when Megan was here, came to her, offered her words of encouragement. Leader Evans came over here and

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shared some very special words with her of encouragement as well. But I wanted to read a little bit about Megan and what was ultimately posted this morning in her obituary. She was born April 30 of 2001. And again, became an angel last night at 7:45 with her parents holding her. Megan, at 20, had endured 7 years and 3 months of this battle, going into remission multiple times and relapsing with ARMS. Megan's family was everything to her, as she enjoyed nothing more than family holidays and vacations. She also loved her pets, her three cats, and her dog, Sparky, that were always by her side when she was stuck at home after going through these treatments. Megan believed that everyone deserved the honor of dignity, respect, and kindness, and she lived her life spreading that message. Throughout Megan's battle with childhood cancer, she maintained a positive attitude and a zest for life that became an inspiration for everyone, everyone in our community. The blog that her father put out there called, Megan Bugg's story... the Journey of Megan Bugg, he would provide us updates in the community as we went through this. We were with them on their highs of finding about remission and how she's doing well and their ultimately lows every time they found another tumor, another relapse, another difficult trip to the hospital. Although Megan was fighting her own personal battle, she made her fight about something much bigger than herself by becoming a passionate advocate for childhood cancer awareness and the need for increased funding for research. She lobbied Legislators for the cause. Not just here in Springfield, but also in Washington, D.C. calling for increased funding for the

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research of childhood cancer. She has been a featured guest in numerous events, the Cal's Angels annual fundraising gala, and even spoke at Curefest with our nation's capital as her backdrop. She was chosen as 2019 Red Cross Youth Hero, one of *Morris Daily Herald's* 'Women of the Year' recipients, a *Joliet Herald News* 'Everyday Hero', the Grand Marshall, of course, our beloved local Cornfest, and had her efforts honored right here in this honorable chamber with Resolution 1071 in 2018. She has personally raised... now get this. When she was here with us as a Page, standing right before me in this House, she had raised about \$100 thousand in childhood cancer research. Research that was going to go towards helping save her life and future children's lives. Folks, to date, she's raised over \$950 thousand herself, nearly a million dollars to fund cancer research at the Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago. Actually, just recently, in her honor for her efforts, they announced the Megan Bugg Global Research Lab, which will carry on Megan's goal of making sure no children have to go through what she's been through. Without a doubt, without a doubt the world feels a void in the absence of Megan's steadfast presence. It was all I could think about last night and as I woke up this morning. May we find comfort in our many treasured memories and in the honor of carrying her legacy forward. Megan, first and foremost, was a loving daughter and sister, as well as a loyal friend to many. Her sense of humor could light up a room. Megan held a genuine love for all those around her, and we celebrate the many ways she gifted so many lives. In this way, we can keep her spirit alive and continue to inspire others as she so inspired us.

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Megan is survived by her father, Kent Bugg, who is the local superintendent of our schools; her mother, Deborah, who's also a teacher in our local schools; and her sister, Mackenzie, who drove down just about every day she got out of class up in University of Wisconsin-Madison these last several weeks to see her sister and be with her. But I leave you with this. At 13, Megan was diagnosed. The 7 years and 3 months battle, she endured 150 weeks of chemo therapy, 200 radiation treatments, 8 major surgeries over 3 months and 7 years. Put that into perspective. I'm a young father. I have kids. My oldest child is eight years old. A lot of things have happened over those eight years, a lot of memories. What this family has had to endure, the battle that they went through, no family should ever have to go through. So, if you would please honor Megan with a moment of silence as my community and the communities across our state grieve for situations just like this. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Welter has asked for a moment of silence. Thank you, Members. We should pause for a moment. On page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Resolution... House Joint Resolution 64, offered by Representative Kifowit. Representative Kifowit is recognized."

Kifowit: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. One moment. Mr. Speaker, this House Joint Resolution 64 offers up Women's Veterans Day. Women's Veterans Day is in June, June 12, and women's... believe it or not, were not full-fledged members of the Armed Forces until it was signed into law in 1967. Women were allowed to make up more than two percent of the U.S. military before

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that in 1948... 1948. Women were able to serve, finally, in the regular members of the U.S. military, but there was restriction of only two percent with a passage of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act. So, this Resolution states and lays out how, in 1901, women were able to officially take part only in the Army Nurse Corps. In 1917, women were able enlist in the U.S. Navy. In 1945, women made up 280 thousand of the 12 million enlisted in the U.S. military at the conclusion of World War II. One of those individuals is a good friend of mine, Helen Ellers. She served in World War II. She was in charge of the instrument panels of the airplanes that later our service members flew. When the conclusion of the war, all she was given was a bus ticket home. Not a thank you, not an honor for her service at that time. Just we don't need you anymore, go home. Women were then later, in the 70s and the early 80s, women were formally granted veteran status for their time in service and were recognized for their contributions made during World War II. My good friend, Helen Ellers, had to wait 30 to 40 years to get recognized as a veteran for her service that she gave 2 years of her life to for our members to fly and to be able to participate in World War II. Thus, women are now able to utilize programs, opportunities, and benefits for the Federal and State Governments, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and veteran service organizations. I served in 1990 to 1994. During my service, women were only restricted to a handful of... of job occupations in the military. We were not allowed in combat. We were not allowed to serve in many capacities that women today are able to serve as well. So, I... this

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Resolution will continue to honor women veterans statewide. It declares June 12, 2022... June 12 is the date of the Women's Armed Service Integration Act was signed into law. And it urges Women's Veterans Day to be observed with appropriate programs, services, and activities. So, I want to thank the Body. I want to thank the Body for all the support that we've given for veterans, but especially with this Resolution. Women veterans that make up about one percent of the one percent of the veteran population should be recognized as well. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Kifowit moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 64. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. On page 4 of the Calendar, under Order of Resolution, we have House Joint Resolution 57, offered by Leader Demmer. Leader Demmer is recognized."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Joint Resolution 57 seeks to name an overpass in the City of Rochelle. This idea came to me from the Rochelle City Council, and it would name the overpass after Senator John B. 'Jack' Roe. Senator Roe was elected to serve in 1972. Notably when he was in the Senate, he Sponsored a Bill that we all are very familiar with, even today, and that was the Illinois Campaign Disclosure Act, which for the first time required people to disclose... elected officials and candidates to disclose contributions they got. He served in the Senate for a number of years. And one of the initiatives he was involved in, in the Senate was extending Route 251 between Rockford and his hometown in Rochelle, which

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is now where this overpass that we're naming runs. The overpass in Rochelle is well known and highly traveled still today. After he left the Senate, he was appointed by the Governor just to be the Chief Justice of the Illinois Court of Claims. He got that appointment from Governor Jim Thompson in 1979. He also served on the school board for several years in Rochelle and was a... practiced law throughout his entirety of his career and finished his career serving as a circuit judge in Ogle County. This is a nice tribute to somebody who gave a significant amount to the community, served in this chamber and in other branches of government over many years. And I'd ask for the adoption of this Resolution by the House. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Demmer moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 57. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Ozinga."

Ozinga: "Ozinga is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ozinga votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 'present'. And this Resolution... House Joint Resolution, having received a

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Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. Page 4 of the Calendar, under Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 53, offered by Representative Elik. Elik, my apologies. Elik is recognized."

Elik: "Thank you. Today I present House Resolution... House Joint Resolution 53, a memorial highway naming Resolution, which names Illinois Route 111 from New Poag Road to Madison Avenue as 'The Chief Todd Werner Memorial Highway'. Chief Todd Werner was the fire chief for the community of South Roxana when he passed away unexpectedly at the age of 48 on July 1, 2021. He worked in the fire service for 30 years, with South Roxana since 1996 and became their fire chief in 2013. He was a very active and well-known person in the community and also served as trustee for the Village of South Roxana, as a member of the South Roxana Dad's Club, member of the Madison County Emergency Management Association and the Madison County Sheriff's Office. Chief Werner devoted his life to public service and was the epitome of a selfless servant to others. He is survived by his mother, his wife, and sons, and they mourn his loss along with the entire community. His family and his community and I believe that this memorial highway dedication in his honor is a tribute to his impact on the community, and we ask for your 'yes' vote."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Elik moves for the adoption of House Resolution... House Joint Resolution 53. All in favor... all in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Yes."

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Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Ozinga."

Ozinga: "Ozinga is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ozinga votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 voting 'present'. And this House Joint Resolution, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. On page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 66 (sic-67), offered by Representative Niemerg. House Joint Resolution 67. Representative Niemerg is recognized."

Niemerg: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to designation... House Joint Resolution 67 designates a section of Interstate 64 between mile marker 128 and 132 as the 'DEA Special Agent Michael Garbo Memorial Highway'. Special Agent Garbo was born in Grayville in 1970. He graduated from Grayville High School and attended Eastern Illinois University. He also served in the U.S. Army National Guard. He was a former police officer for the Metro Nashville Police Department and was currently serving as special agent of the DEA based in Arizona, a position he held since 2005. Special Agent Garbo was a dedicated father and husband who devoted his life to serving and caring for others. He enjoyed martial arts, spending time with his family, and watching his daughter succeed in every

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aspect of her life. He will be greatly missed. Special Agent Garbo is survived by his wife, Vida Mary Garbo, and his daughter, Alexis Garbo. And sadly, Monday, October 4, 2021, he gave his life in performance of his duties. And I ask for a favorable passage. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Niemerg moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 67. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Ozinga."

Ozinga: "Ozinga is the 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ozinga votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 'present'. And this Resolution, having received a Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. On page 4 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 70, offered by Representative Severin. Representative Severin, please proceed."

Severin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I bring before you House Joint Resolution 70, would name the stretch of highway north of my hometown of Benton on Route 37 as 'Trooper Frank R. Dunbar Memorial Highway'. This request was brought to me by

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Lieutenant John Thompson of the Illinois State Police. Trooper Dunbar joined the Illinois State Police on October 28, 1957 and was assigned to District 13 in Du Quoin. Trooper Dunbar was killed in an automobile accident on May 14, 1972 while patrolling Route 37, north of Benton. At the time, Trooper Dunbar was the first State Trooper in 26 years to be killed in the line of duty and the first to be killed in a patrol car accident in Southern Illinois. As a measure of our respect and admiration for Trooper Dunbar's sacrifice, and as a token of our appreciation to his family members that live on to this day, and as a symbol of the respect we have for all Illinois State Troopers for putting themselves in harm's way to protect the Illinois citizens every single day, I ask for your 'yes' vote in designating the stretch of highway north of Benton to Lake Benton Road on 37 as 'Trooper Frank Dunbar Memorial Highway'. I was in eighth grade when this happened. His son was in sixth grade, was a good friend of mine. I'll never forget the day. And every time I travel on that road, which is many, many times, I think of the spot that... where he lost his life. And I just wanted to share that to honor him and his family. And I would appreciate an adoption of this Resolution. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Severin moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 70. All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Mr. Clerk."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons."

Ammons: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ammons votes 'yes'. Representative Meier."

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Meier: "Yes."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Meier votes 'yes'. Representative Ozinga."

Ozinga: "Ozinga is a 'yes'."

Clerk Bolin: "Representative Ozinga votes 'yes'."

Speaker Andrade: "Mr. Clerk, take the record. On this question, there are 102 'ayes', 0 'nays', 0 'present'. And this Resolution, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby adopted. On page 5 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Resolution 649, offered by Representative Hirschauer. Representative Hirschauer, please proceed."

Hirschauer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 649 is a Resolution to declare June 3, 2022 to be Gun Violence Awareness Day in the State of Illinois. Every day, more than 100 Americans are killed by gun violence. And here in Illinois, gun violence has become the number one killer of our children. Gun Violence Awareness Day was started in tribute to Chicago teenager Hadiya Pendleton. In January of 2013, Hadiya was tragically shot and killed at the age of 15, just one week after she performed at President Obama's second inaugural parade. To honor her birthday, Hadiya would've turned 25 this year. People across the country recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Day on the first Friday of June. And they wear orange in tribute to Hadiya and the other victims of gun violence and the loved ones of those victims. The idea to wear orange was inspired by a group of Hadiya's friends who asked their classmates to commemorate her life by wearing this color. They chose orange because hunters wear

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orange to announce themselves, and orange is the color that symbolizes human life. The first week of June will be a time of remembrance in many of our districts. There will be Wear Orange and National Gun violence Awareness Day events throughout the state on that first weekend of June. I encourage my colleagues here and those of you listening to take part in these events in recognition of the Illinois lives lost to gun violence. I ask for your 'aye' vote today so that we in the House can pay our respects and honor the 1400 Illinoisans killed by guns every year. Thank you."

Speaker Andrade: "Representative Hirschauer moves for the adoption of House Resolution 649. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Mah, for what reason do you rise?"

Mah: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Andrade: "Please proceed."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to present today's Women's History Month tribute. In 1972, a simple sentence opened the doors to equality and opportunity for girls and women in education and sports. 'No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.' This quote comes from the revolutionary Title IX Amendment of the Higher Education Act. For today's Women's History Month celebration, we honor the work and legacy of Patsy Takemoto Mink, coauthor of Title IX. As a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives,

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she focused on women and minorities, championing women in civil rights and support for child care and education. Mink's policies stemmed from her desire to address the needs of underrepresented groups. Throughout her life, Mink was often the only woman, and woman of color, in school and in her professional life, and she faced gender and racial discrimination as a result. Mink was a third-generation Japanese American, born in the territory of Hawaii in 1927. Mink's political success started young as she won her high school's election and became the first girl to serve as president of the student body. Mink attended the University of Nebraska, where she successfully fought against the school racial segregation dorm policy. Due to health issues, Mink had to return to Hawaii and finish her undergraduate degree at the University of Hawaii. Mink received her bachelor's degree in zoology and chemistry in 1948, and continued.. and tried to apply to medical school. Mink was rejected from every school because of preference.. because, at the time, preference was giving to men and World War II veterans. Mink switched gears and decided to pursue law at the University of Chicago, where she was the only woman in her class. Mink met her husband there and married him 1951. As a married female Asian American, no one would hire Mink after law school. So, she and her family relocated to Hawaii. Mink passed the Hawaii bar exam and became the first Japanese American woman licensed to practice law in Hawaii. But now a mother, she still couldn't find work. With the help of her father, she established a private firm and began teaching law courses at the University of Hawaii to earn money while she built her

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law practice. At this time, Mink began to get involved with politics. In 1956, Mink was elected to Hawaii's Territorial House of Representatives. Two years later, she won the election to the Territorial Senate. After Hawaii became a state in 1959, Mink unsuccessfully ran for Congress. She then won the seat in the Hawaii State Senate in 1962. In 1964, Mink was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives despite receiving no local party support. She was the first woman of color elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and the first Asian American woman to serve in Congress. She would serve from 1965 to 1977 while fighting for gender and racial equality, affordable child care, bilingual education, and progressive socioeconomic programs. During this time, she passed Title IX of the Higher Education Act, the Early Childhood Education Act, and the Women's Education Equity Act. In 1990, Mink was re-elected to Congress, served six terms in the House of Representatives, and formed the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus. In 2014, she was honored posthumously with the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Barack Obama. I'm personally deeply grateful to her for being such an amazing trailblazer for forging a path for us so that we may follow in her footsteps. Thank you for joining me in this Women's History Month tribute to Patsy Takemoto Mink. Thank you."

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

Clerk Bolin: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 721, offered by Representative Burke."

Speaker Andrade: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those

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opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Tuesday, March 15, 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."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Second Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4285, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4544, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 4783, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5262, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5358, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5561, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Second Reading of these House Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1145, offered by Representative Burke, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 2535, offered by Representative Conroy, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 2803, offered by Representative Harris, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 2940, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning electric vehicles. Senate Bill 3158, offered by Representative Croke, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 3709, offered by Representative Hirschauer, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3720, offered by Representative Costa Howard, a Bill for an Act concerning children. Senate Bill 3796, offered by

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Representative Buckner, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 4018, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."