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Speaker Leitch: "The hour of 11:00 having arrived the House will be in Session. Members in their seats, please and all those unentitled to the floor please leave the chambers. Representative Leitch in the Chair. The Chaplain for the day is the Reverend Suzanne Otterbacher of the Covenant Presbyterian Church of Danville, Illinois. Reverend Otterbacher is the guest of Representative Bill Black. All guests in the gallery may wish to join us in the invocation and please rise. Reverend Otterbacher."

Reverend Suzanne Otterbacher: "Let us Pray. All mighty and most merciful God, the people gathered in this chamber this morning represent power as the world recognizes power, but compared to Your power Oh Lord, theirs is insignificant. The accumulated experience and education in this room represents wisdom as the world measures wisdom, but compared to Your wisdom, Oh God, we are as foolish children. You set the stars in their courses and established the laws which make our world predictable. You gave us dominion over that world, You trusted us, yet we confess that too often we mistake the responsibility of dominion for the arrogance of domination. Forgive us, we Pray and grant us the incite to know the difference. Bless the deliberations which will be carried out here this day. Grant these elected officials, a vision of Your justice which goes beyond everyone getting what they deserve to everyone getting what they need. And the revelation of Your righteousness which requires a right relationship between individuals and groups. Bestow on all gathered here, the clear sightedness to recognize when compromise is required. Give them courage to stand fast when issues are such that compromise would be unjust. In part to them the discernment to know when to give up a stand when holding

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fast shows mere stubbornness and pride and a lack of good will. Most of all, most loving Father grant to them this day and always the compassion, empathy and humility which reminds them that they have been called to be servants to all the citizens of the State of Illinois and when the mantel of responsibility ways heavy on their shoulders, give them the peace which only you can give. Amen."

Speaker Leitch: "We'll be led in the Pledge today by Representative Persico."

Persico - 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 Leitch: "Roll Call for Attendance, please. Representative Currie, are there any excused absences on the Democrat side this morning."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Deering, Laurino and Martinez are excused today."

Speaker Leitch: "With leave of the House, the journal will so indicate. Representative Churchill on the Republican side."

Churchill: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that all Republicans are here today."

Speaker Leitch: "Thank you. Mr. Clerk, take the record. With 115 Members present there is a quorum. Are there any announcements, Mr. Clerk. No announcements. Representative Churchill, Representative Churchill moves that the House stands adjourned until Wednesday, February 8 at the hour of 12:00 noon. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye'; the opposed, same. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and allowing time for the Clerk,

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the House now stands adjourned until Wednesday, February 8, 1995 at the hour of 12:00 noon. There will be a Republican Conference at 2:00 in Room 118...114 I'm sorry old habits die hard. Republican Conference today, Room 114 at 2:00 please, 2:00."

Clerk McLennand: "Perfunctory Session will be in order. Introduction - First Reading House of Bills. House Bill 878, offered by Representative Weppelund, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. House Bill 879, offered by Representative Flowers, a Bill for an Act to amend the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. House Bill 880, offered by Representative Biggins, a Bill for an Act to amend the Property Tax Code. House Bill 881, offered by Representative Stephens, a Bill for an Act in relation to physical therapy. House Bill 882, offered by Representative Lyons, a Bill for an Act regarding blasting operations. House Bill 883, offered by Representative Wirsing, a Bill for an Act relating to the University of Illinois. House Bill 884, offered by Representative Balthis, a Bill for an Act in relation to municipalities. House Bill 885, offered by Representative Balthis, a Bill for an Act in relation to municipalities. House Bill 886, offered by Representative Balthis, a Bill for an Act in relation to municipalities. House Bill 887, offered by Representative Leitch, a Bill for an Act in relation to forest preserves. House Bill 888, offered by Representative Dart, a Bill for an Act to amend the Children and Family Services Act. House Bill 889, offered by Representative Currie, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. House Bill 890, offered by Representative Phelps, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. House Bill 891, offered by Speaker Daniels, a Bill for an Act concerning certain

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health insurance benefits. House Bill 892, offered by Speaker Daniels, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. House Bill 893, offered by Representative Ronen, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. House Bill 894, offered by Representative Lindner, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act. House Bill 895, offered by Representative Cross, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. House Bill 896, offered by Representative Cross, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 897, offered by Representative Moffitt, a Bill for an Act concerning pecuniary interests of township and highway officials. House Bill 898, offered by Representative Lawfer, a Bill for an Act to submit a state wide advisory question to the voters related to gambling. House Bill 899, offered by Representative Lawfer, a Bill for an Act to amend the Property Tax Code. House Bill 900, offered by Representative Novak, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Department of Conservation. House Bill 901, offered by Representative Persico, a Bill for an Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. First Reading of these House Bills."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction - First Reading of Bills. House Bill 902, offered by Representative Krause, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Finance Act. House Bill 903, offered by Representative Krause, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. House Bill 904, offered by Representative Krause, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Public Aid Code. House Bill 905, offered by Representative Krause, a Bill for an Act to amend the department of mental health and development Disabilities Act. House Bill 906, offered by Representative Klingler, a

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Bill for an Act to amend the Hospice Program Licensing Act. House Bill 907, offered by Representative Woolard, a Bill for an Act to amend the Sustainable Agriculture Act. House Bill 908, offered by Representative Woolard, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Grain Insurance Act. House Bill 909, offered by Representative Woolard, a Bill for an Act to amend the Wildlife Code. House Bill 910, offered by Representative Woolard, a Bill for an Act in relation to solid waste. House Bill 911, offered by Representative McAuliffe, a Bill for an Act to amend the Counties Code. House Bill 912, offered by Representative McAuliffe, a Bill for an Act to amend the Circuit Courts Act. First Reading of these House Bills."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction - First Reading of Bills. House Bill 913, offered by Representative McAuliffe, a Bill for an Act to amend the State Police Act. House Bill 914, offered by Representative McAuliffe, A Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Municipal Code. House Bill 915, offered by Representative Pugh, a Bill for an Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Retail Installment Sales Act. House Bill 916, offered by Representative Madigan, a Bill for an Act in relation to taxation. House Bill 917, offered by Representative Monique Davis, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 918, offered by Representative Gash, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. First Reading of these House Bills."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction - First Reading of Bills. House Bill 919, offered by Representative Lang, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 920, offered by Representative Monique Davis, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 921, offered by Representative Monique Davis, a Bill for an Act to amend the Lead

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Poisoning Prevention Act. House Bill 922, offered by Representative Hartke, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 923, offered by Representative Pugh, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. House Bill 924, offered by Representative Pugh, a Bill for an Act making an appropriation to the State Board of Education. House Bill 925, offered by Representative McAuliffe, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. House Bill 926, offered by Representative Hannig, a Bill for an Act to amend the School Code. House Bill 927, offered by Representative Hannig, a Bill for an Act to amend the Illinois Pension Code. House Bill 928, offered by Representative Rutherford, a Bill for an Act in relation to campaign contributions and expenditures. House Bill 929, offered by Representative Hughes, a Bill for an Act to amend the Employee Commute Options Act. First Reading of these House Bills."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction of Resolutions. HOUSE RESOLUTION #7, OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAKOWSKY WHEREAS, John Dunn served the Democratic members of the Illinois House of Representatives and the citizens of his district in an exemplary fashion during 20 years of service; and WHEREAS, John Dunn, through his service in the General Assembly, served with honor the people of the 101st District and the State of Illinois; and WHEREAS, He distinguished himself as a voice of integrity both on the floor of the House and as a member and chairman of many committees; and WHEREAS, Throughout the years, John Dunn received numerous honors and awards in recognition of his dedication to the citizens of Illinois, including the Outstanding Representative Award from the Illinois Education Association in 1993 and the Mental Health Associates Legislative Achievement Award in

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1994; and WHEREAS, John Dunn's dedication to the highest ideals and standards of his profession and political party exemplify the goals of representative democracy; therefore, be it RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend and applaud John Dunn of Decatur for his many years of service to the State of Illinois and his constituents of the 101st District and extend our sincere best wishes to him for health and happiness in the future; and be it further RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to him with our respect and appreciation. Commends John Dunn, former representative from the 101st District, for his many years of service."

Clerk McLennand: "Introduction and First Reading of Constitutional Amendments. HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT #10, OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMAN. RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH 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 Constitution to read as follows: ARTICLE IV THE LEGISLATURE 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

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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. A bill and each amendment thereto shall be reproduced and placed on the desk of each member before final passage. Bills, except bills for appropriations and for the codification, revision or rearrangement of laws, shall be confined to one subject. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this Section, appropriation bills shall be limited to the subject of appropriations. A bill expressly amending a law shall set forth completely the sections amended. (e) A bill which would require the expenditure by a school district of funds in order to implement that bill shall not become law unless the bill passes with the concurrence of at least three-fifths of the members elected to each house and provides for reimbursement by the State to the school district of those funds necessary to implement it. A bill passed under this subsection (e) shall not be subject to actions by the Governor under subsection (d) or (e) of Section 9 of Article IV of this Constitution but shall be subject to actions under subsection (a), (b) or (c) of that Section. (f) 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 Amendment takes effect upon its adoption by the voters of this State. First Reading of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #10."

Clerk McLennand: "Being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session stands adjourned and the House will

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