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Speaker Madigan: "The regular Session shall come to order. Is there leave to use the Attendance Roll Call from the Twenty-second Special Session for the purpose of a quorum? Leave is granted. Mr. Lang moves that the regular Session adjourn to a Perfunctory Session on Monday, July 14, providing perfunctory time for the Clerk. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. Mr. Black."

Black: "Mr. Speaker, a point of personal privilege. If a..."

Speaker Madigan: "State your point."

Black: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I... I take my job here very seriously, I don't take myself seriously all the time, certainly. And I understand, Mr. Speaker, that you have to operate under certain time constraints. But many of us have a life that goes beyond this chamber. My father is ninety (90) years old. The good days and the bad days are... bad days are outnumbering the good days. He lives in Mesa, Arizona and I had tried to anticipate Special Sessions and what have you as best I could. In this day and age when airline tickets are nonrefundable and nonexchangeable and somewhat more expensive than they were a year ago. I will be leaving Sunday night to spend next week with my father in Mesa, Arizona. I will respectfully ask that I be excused from the Session. I don't like to miss any Sessions, but in... in each life you have to make certain choices and you adopt certain priorities and I was blessed and am blessed with a phenomenal father, my... my personal hero. And as... as his days perhaps grow short, I fully

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intend to spend as much time with him as I can and I regret that I will not be at Session next week."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Lang moves that the House stand adjourned 'til Monday, July 14, at 12 noon, providing perfunctory time for the Clerk. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it."

Clerk Mahoney: "House Perfunctory Session will come to Order. Introduction of Resolutions referred to the House Committee on Rules is House Resolution 1389, offered by Representative Saviano. House Resolution 1400, offered by Representative Sullivan. House Resolution 1405, offered by Representative Franks. House Resolution 1428, offered by Representative Madigan. House Joint Resolution 139, offered by Representative Bill Mitchell. And House Joint Resolution 140, offered by Representative Cross. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."