

STATE OF ILLINOIS
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Speaker Hannig: "The House will be in order. The Members will please be in their seats. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones and pagers, and rise for the invocation and for the Pledge of Allegiance. We shall be led in prayer today by Wayne Padget, the assistant doorkeeper."

Padget: "Let us pray. Dear Lord, we come before You today in sound body and mind, praying that on this day You grant us wisdom and guidance. During these hard times of negotiations, we pray that everyone can come together on one common ground and resolve the issues for the people of Illinois. We pray for the men and women in our armed services, both here and abroad, provide them with Your protection and give them the strength to make it through these tough times. We would also pray for Your blessings for Captain Todd Stephens, son of Representative Ron Stephens and all who may have been injured in battle yesterday. Let us also pray for the men, women, and their families who have made the ultimate sacrifice to defend our country. These things we ask in Your Son's name. Amen."

Speaker Hannig: "Representative Jim Meyer, will you lead us in the Pledge?"

Meyer - 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 Hannig: "Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Currie."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Collins is excused today."

Speaker Hannig: "Representative Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Bassi, Reis, Cole, Dunn, Cultra, Pritchard, Sommer, Schmitz, Pihos, Jerry Mitchell, and Krause are excused today."

Speaker Hannig: "Remind Members to only punch their own switches. Representative Flowers, do you wish to get on the Attendance Roll Call? Okay. Mr. Clerk, take the record. There are 106 Members answering the Roll Call, a quorum is present. Okay. So, the First Special Session is in order. So, Representative Currie now moves that the First Special Session of the House of Representatives adjourn to a Perfunctory Session on Saturday, August the 11th, at 12 noon. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it. And the First Special Session stands adjourned."