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Speaker Turner: "Members are asked to be at their seats. We shall be led in prayer today by Reverend Ray Owens who is with First United Methodist Church of Pontiac in Pontiac, Illinois. Reverend Owens is the guest of Representative Bennett. 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."

Reverend Owens: "Please join me in prayer. God, You are the one true God. All other gods that we may worship are nothing more than the creations of our own imaginations. Each one of us has been created in Your image. Our similarities and differences allow us to glimpse into the diversity of Your heart. You allow us the freedom of will to choose or reject the paths of righteousness that You have set before us. You have given us the privilege of serving You as we seek to serve one another. You have shown us a more perfect way, a way that will lead to an abundance of life for all if we, who are entrusted with the power and authority of leadership, are willing to follow it. We will not find this way on our own. We will need Your guidance daily and a willingness to work with each other. In all our discussions and deliberations and all our conversations and communications, help us to follow that path. As we move forward, we discover four forks in the road, each reaching into a future which none of us can clearly see. Three will lead us to frustration and ultimate destruction. Only one will lead us to abundance. We may choose the path that's speaking the truth and hate of self-righteousness that destroys others and leaves us with a shallow victory. We may choose the path of speaking a lie in

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a fashion mimicking love, a vile manipulation that deceives others and leaves us feeling dirty. We may choose the path of speaking a lie in hate, the abuse of absolute power that will absolutely destroy ourselves or we may choose the path of speaking the truth and love. The one and only path that will lead us to an abundant life for all. Within this Assembly, the offices and hallways and backrooms of this Capitol building and wherever political discussions are being held and political decisions are being made, may only the truth be spoken and may it only be spoken in an attitude of love, Amen."

Speaker Turner: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Mussman."

Mussman - 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 Turner: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker, Members of the House. Please let the record reflect that Representative Welch is excused today."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Brown."

Brown: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. All Republicans are present today."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, with 117 Members present, a quorum is established. Representative Bill Mitchell, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mitchell, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

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Mitchell, B.: "Thank you. Today and I... as Representative Scherer and I would like to... Decatur, Illinois, we share the community. The mayor of Decatur's here, today, Mayor McElroy, I don't know if he's in the gallery, and several council people. And Decatur, Illinois is in the final... with one of two hockey rinks in this country. And you can vote on them and they will get, I believe, \$150 thousand. And this is the only time in Illinois you can vote multiple times legally. I know it's a shock for Illinois. But you can... crafthockeyville.com. Please vote Decatur. It's the only community in Illinois that are up for this honor. And you can vote up to 50 times at once. And again, we're in competition with I believe a community in Pennsylvania. We're far better community than any other community in Pennsylvania. So, please help us out and vote for... crafthockeyville.com. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you. Representative Scherer."

Scherer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Scherer: "I, too, would just like to welcome our mayor and any members of our city council that might be here and I would also like to reiterate what Representative Mitchell said. Please, everyone, take a second on your cell phone right now and make a vote for Decatur. This is bringing in \$150 thousand in revenue that then the state wouldn't have to try to come up with. So we would appreciate everyone's support. Thank you."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative Scherer and Representative Mitchell. Representative Keith Wheeler, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wheeler, K.: "A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen, we are proud to be celebrating the U.S.S. Illinois, today, right here, in the Capitol of the State of Illinois. Back in February, this august Body adopted House Resolution 200 which celebrated the upcoming commissioning of the newest fast attack submarine in United States Navy, the U.S.S. Illinois. On behalf of all the Members of the House, Representative Jeanne Ives and I were proud to sponsor the Resolution. While I, myself, did not serve in the Navy, I have several personal connections to those who have served, including my father, my uncle, and my very good friend, Chairman Len Wass of the U.S.S. Illinois Commissioning Committee. However a very close friend of mine, from my childhood, Jeff McCauley is still serving in the Navy. Jeff and I grew up together. Went to grade school together, junior high, high school, and the first year of college. After our first year of college, Jeff received an appointment to the Naval Academy in Annapolis. Since then he's had a distinguished career in the Navy. And I'm proud to say that he's currently serving our country as the Commander of Taskforce 56 in the Arabian Gulf based in Bahrain. We e-mail back and forth pretty regularly. And I told him about the House Resolution for the U.S.S. Illinois and the Commissioning Committee met earlier this month. I asked him for any advice he had for me and for the crew. He sent back

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to me this note. He said, 'To the commanding officer and the crew of the U.S.S. Illinois, this is awesome. Tell them that they represent and carry the great name of Illinois, as part of America's heartland, full of Midwesterners that know hard work, sacrifice, and how to lend a hand to others. It's a great responsibility to bear that name, so honor it and all the Illinoisans who have served in our Armed Forces and especially the Navy.' To me he wrote, 'What a great honor. Take something to the ship for their Illinois room, something from the Na-Au-Say Township where we grew up or Kendall County. Contribute to the whole thing in that way. Take some dirt in a container, part of the state itself from a field. They need to sail with a chunk of the state with them. Hell, I'd be honored if you grabbed it from the McCauley family farm and let them know that those Illinoisans served in the Armed Forces and let them know that one of them still is. Get some pictures for me. If you want, I'll fly an Illinois flag over the U.S. NAVCENT Headquarters and have Vice Admiral Miller write a letter to the ship, but I'm not even sure he's an Illinoisan. In fact, I think he's from Ohio. Doesn't matter. I'll get this flag flown and I'll sign this certificate and send it back to you or the ship. You'll all be great. And thanks for all that you do.' So, to my fellow Members of the House, with support from the U.S.. for the U.S.S. Illinois, not coming from parts overseas, I encourage every House Member to follow Commander McCauley's lead and find ways to celebrate and promote this impressive new ship named after our great State of Illinois and her extraordinary

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crew both here in Springfield and back home in every community in our districts. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Ives."

Ives: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Ives: "It is an honor for me to stand here as a West Point graduate and a former U.S. Army Officer to introduce to you some of the crew and the commissionings... Commissioning Committee for the U.S.S. Illinois. Would you please stand? With us today we have Chief Logistics Specialist Jonathan Hollenbeck. We have Yeoman First Class Fredrick Cook. And we have, hailing from Plainfield, Illinois, Seaman Electronics Technician Koby Johnson. Thank you members of the crew. Also with us today are the Commissioning Committee headed by Len Wass. Also in attendance Loree Riggs, David Smith, George Schmoll, Anita Schmoll, Lisa Strickland, Dave Barnett, and Ron Swetnam. So thank you so much for all you're doing to support the commissioning."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol."

Ives: "I... I also just want to encourage you all. There's an eight-foot display of the submarine in the rotunda if you haven't seen it yet. There's also all sorts of information you can take back to your district about the U.S.S. Illinois. The ship... we have not commissioned a ship since 1897 that's called the U.S.S. Illinois. And this particular one is known to be deadly quiet. So, welcome. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Riley, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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Riley: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Riley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. You know it's so important we have all kinds of people down visiting us today. It's so important to see young people come down to their seat of government here in Springfield. And I'd like to introduce a group of young people that's come from many schools in the south suburbs and the fantastic organization that brought them down here. On the Republican side of the House, I would like to introduce Donna Miller, students, and members of the Democratic Women of the South Suburbs. Give them a round of applause."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Cabello, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Cabello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Cabello: "Representative Wallace and I would like to welcome our City of Rockford administrator Jim Ryan. We would like to also acknowledge Rock Valley Tru... College Trustee Michael Dunn Jr., and we have several of the Rock Valley College students here today with us. So please give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Andersson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Andersson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

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Andersson: "Thank you. As Members of the House may be aware, I am an advocate of local control and I believe in the importance of our local municipalities. Therefore, it's with great pleasure that I introduce to the House the members of the Metro West Council of Government who represent the communities, municipalities, cities of Kane, Kendall, and DeKalb Counties who have come down today to lobby their Legislators. And in particular, representing them to my left is Jeff Zoepfel, Village Administrator for the Village of Montgomery and Trustee Doug Maresek from the Village of Montgomery. So please give the... them a warm welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Stewart, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Stewart: "Rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Stewart: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Would the Members of the House please join me today in welcoming three groups from the 89th District? The first group is the Student Senate from Highland Community College; Rodney Vass, Makenna Reed, Alexa Bus, Elizabeth Schemald, and Jordan Kiser. The director of the Freeport Park District, Jack Carey. And the Caswell family: Dan, Beth, Lisa, Laura, and Sara Caswell from Stockton, Illinois. If you'd please join them in welcoming them to the Capitol."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Batinick, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Batinick: "A point of personal privilege."



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Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Batinick: "I believe we have four Representatives that represent the great Village of Oswego. That would be Representative Wheeler, Batinick, Kifowit, and John Anthony. And as we know we have a new... newly elected mayor and she's in the audience. Please welcome Mayor-Elect Gail Johnson."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Leader Bellock, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Bellock: "Thank you. I'd like to ask the Members of the chamber to welcome today my Page for the day and it's Maggie Quick, who's an eighth grader at Immaculate Conception School in Elmhurst, Illinois. She's down here to learn all about State Government. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Butler, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Butler: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Butler: "Today, I would like to welcome to constituents from Lincoln, Illinois, who are serving as Pages of the day. They go to Zion Lutheran School in Lincoln, Illinois. Carter Robison and Elijah Burton are here today. And as you can tell, Elijah is fully participating in bowtie Wednesday today. So, please welcome here today."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Breen, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Breen: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Breen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today, I've got two Page for the day that I'd like to introduce. So I've got T.J. Cooper here, and along with his mom, Andi, who is up there in the gallery. So, T.J.'s from Lombard. As well, we also have Oliver Shoe whose stepdad, Dave Halsburg, is up in the gallery as well, from Wheaton, Illinois. I just would like to welcome.. welcome them to the chamber. They are very inquisitive. So, if you've got any errands you want them to run, I would welcome you to do so."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Reaves-Harris, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Reaves-Harris: "I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Reaves-Harris: "Representative Riley has already welcomed the Democratic Women of the South Suburbs and the President, Donna Miller. But I also wanted to extend, as well, with Amari Prince, a heartfelt welcome from.. from the Capitol. We appreciate them bringing the young women here and we should encourage young women participating in the civil or the civic process as well, legis.. legisla.. legislative process. So again, thank you for coming and welcome."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Will Davis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davis, W.: "I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Sir."

Davis, W.: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I'd also like to welcome my Page for the day, a beautiful young lady, as you can see her in the corner of the screen here. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is young Leah Newman who is 11 years old and lives here in Springfield. She is my Page for the day. So, please... she is working on her college fund. If you've got some errands you need her run so she can earn a little money, please try to help her out. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative DeLuca, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

DeLuca: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Purpose of an announcement."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

DeLuca: "The Illinois Municipal League is hosting their reception tonight at the Governor's Mansion from 6 to 8 p.m. So, please try and stop by and see your local officials. And also in the gallery, I have some students from Bloom High School, Homewood-Flossmoor High School, Rich... the Rich High Schools, Marion Catholic High School and Prairie State College. Please welcome them to Springfield. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Winger, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Winger: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

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Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Winger: "Thank you. Today, here with us in the gallery, we have Alderman Woods, someone who I was an alderman with for several years. And he is here from Wood Dale and also with the Illinois Municipal League. If you'll welcome him with me."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Brady, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Brady: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Brady: "Thank you very much. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, it's indeed my pleasure to also welcome to our Capitol today the men and women in the nursing business for Advocate BroMenn Health Care Services, in particular Advocate BroMenn in my district, behind me standing up here in the gallery in their white lab coats. Thank you very much, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Pritchard, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Pritchard: "I think the only people who haven't been introduced yet up in the balcony come from Metro West Counsel of Local Government, Mayor of Hinckley, Jim Roderick and Dawn, the Village Clerk. And there may be others up there, but welcome to our Capitol."

Speaker Turner: "Busy day at the Capitol. Thank you, Representative. Representative Cassidy, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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Cassidy: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. I want to introduce my Page for the day. This is Myleigh Mabe. She's a fifth grader at Graham.. Graham Elementary here in Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Crespo, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Crespo: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Crespo: "Yeah. I'd like to.. the General Assembly.. I'd like them to introduce them to our new Democratic House Member. Here to my left, we have Representative Reggie Franks. Reggie, just wave hi. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Costello, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 813; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 367. Representative Monique Davis, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1571. Representative Phelps, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1645. Representative Verschoore, Chairperson from the Committee on Environment reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 679, Senate Bill

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1707, Senate Bill 1739; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 328. Representative Sims, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 809, Senate Bill 1304, Senate Bill 1588, Senate Bill 1938. Representative Mayfield, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing Oversight reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 706. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1249, Senate Bill 1253, Senate Bill 1298, Senate Bill 1728, Senate Bill 1751, Senate Bill 1893; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 60, House Resolution 326, House Resolution 344. Representative Nekritz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on April 28, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 86, Senate Bill 735, Senate Bill 751, Senate Bill 786, Senate Bill 818, Senate Bill 1308, Senate Bill 1309, Senate Bill 1374, Senate Bill 1498, Senate Bill 1734, Senate Bill 1921. Representative D'Amico, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on April 29, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 1589, Senate Bill 1603, Senate Bill 1620. Representative Zalewski, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on April 29, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 42, Senate Bill 689, Senate Bill 731, Senate Bill 748, Senate

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Bill 1504. Representative Golar, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies reports the following committee action taken on April 29, 2015: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 665, Senate Bill 672, Senate Bill 1319; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 54, House Resolution 369. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 429, offered by Representative William Davis. House Resolution 431, offered by Representative Monique Davis. House Joint Resolution 68, offered by Representative Reis. House Joint Resolution 69, offered by Representative Reis. House Joint Resolution 71, offered by Representative Anthony. House Joint Resolution 72, offered Representative Anthony. These are referred to the Rules Committee."

Speaker Turner: "Members, we're going to be begin on page 3 of the Calendar, under the Order of Resolutions. First up, we have House Joint Resolution 26. Representative Zalewski."

Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a Resolution that urges the Illinois Department of Health to promulgate rules regarding vaccination criteria, opt out. I'd ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 26. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, House Joint Resolution 35, Representative Brady. Representative Brady."

Brady: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, thank you very much. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Joint Resolution 35 seeks to support the community colleges throughout the State of

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Illinois. In particular, community colleges play a dynamic and essential role in driving the economy and workforce of the State of Illinois. In order to stimulate the economic growth, have an educated population, and better prepare students for their careers, we in the General Assembly with House Joint Resolution 35 seek to recognize our community colleges across the State of Illinois. And also, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we are joined today in the Speaker's Gallery and potentially around the gallery, if folks would stand from our community colleges. We have staff, administrators, faculty, and especially students from Heartland Community College in my district, in particular my intern, Mr. Kyle Walsh, who worked on this Resolution. Joliet Junior College, College of DuPage, South Suburban College, Morton College, John A. Logan College, Danville College.. Community College, Parkland, Kankakee, Richland, and many more community colleges that are here at the Capitol today working to help us all understand and achieve the great success that community colleges play in... role they play within our communities throughout the State of Illinois. So please join me in a round of applause for all those involved in the community colleges and especially the students who worked so hard on this particular Resolution."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. And welcome to your Capitol. Representative Bennett on the Resolution."

Bennett: "Yes, Mr. Chairman. Point of personal privilege on this, if I could. This is to... I was a Trustee at Parkland College for 19 years. I was Chairman of the Board for the last 3 years at Parkland College. For almost the last 50 years, community



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colleges have touched millions of lives. They've helped students go on to 4-year schools, receive certifications for a number of job opportunities, and helped senior citizens in numerous, numerous ways. Community colleges have been a tremendous impact on the middle class here in the State of Illinois, in the great State of Illinois. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Unes."

Unes: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Resolution. First of all, I'd like to commend Representative Brady for bringing us this Resolution this morning. One of those community colleges, Spoon River Community College, which is here today was also played a role in this Resolution. In fact, one of their students, Josh Webb, was able to meet with Representative Hammond and I this morning... was able to meet Representative Hammond and I this morning and played a role in helping assist the drafting of some of the language in this Resolution. So, like others, I would like to just commend all of the faculty and staff and students that made it here this afternoon for Community College Day and thank Representative Brady for this Resolution. And Mr. Speaker, I would also like to ask that all Members be added to this Resolution."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Reis."

Reis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To the Resolution. I, too, would like thank Representative Brady and for all Members of the House for supporting this Resolution. Also joining us here today are folks from Lakeland College, my alma mater in Mattoon. And also IECC has four community colleges in my district as well as Illinois Eastern Community College. So welcome to all those students and board members as well."

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Speaker Turner: "Representative Tabares."

Tabares: "To the Resolution. I want to applaud the Sponsor of the Bill, Representative Brady. I graduated from a city college in Chicago, Richard Daley... Richard J. Daley College in Chicago. I graduated from the college. And earlier today I had the pleasure of meeting with some students of Morton College. So, I just want to welcome all the students to Springfield and thank the Sponsor of the Bill... of the Resolution."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Bryant."

Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "On the Resolution, Representative?"

Bryant: "Yes, I'm sorry. On the Resolution."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Bryant: "In my district... on the edge, actually, it's in John Bradley's district, but we have many students and faculty that work out or attend John A. Logan College in Carterville. And there is a contingency of them here today, sitting in the gallery. And I wanted to recognize them. They are from the Student Senate and Phi Theta Kappa. Welcome to the... to the House."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "There has been a Motion that all Members be added to the Resolution. Seeing no deb... seeing no objection, all Members will be added to the Resolution. Representative Brady moves that the House adopt House Joint Resolution 35. All in

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favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, please read House Resolution 329. Representative Lilly."

Clerk Hollman: "Be it RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend the efforts of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for its continued commitment to public service, recognize its collective contributions in helping to make the State of Illinois a better place to live, work, and play, and designate April 29, 2015 as Delta Day at the Illinois State Capitol."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly... our great General Assembly. I would like to introduce you to the ladies of Delta Sigma Theta, the Midwest Region, who are joining us in the beautiful red to the gallery. I and Representative Wallace would like to present an opportunity to say hello to women who are... who've been working with us for over 102 years in public service. We have over 250 thousand women, over 1 thousand chapters, who provide public service to communities in your area and throughout the great United States. I want to thank you for this opportunity to present Delta Sigma Theta, the ladies of Delta, to our Delta Day. Please give them another heartfelt Springfield welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. And Representative Wallace."

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Wallace: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And to the Resolution. Thank you, Representative Lilly. And welcome sorors from the Midwest Region. I'd also like to give a special shout out, if you will, to the Rockford Alumni President, Luevinus Muhammad and the Rockford Alumni Chapter Social Action Chair, LaMetra Curry. Thank you all. These ladies, these women, help mobilize more of your voters than probably any other organization in the communities that you live in. So, I hope that you will take the time to come and meet some of the women, go up into the gallery, because this is what true social and political action is. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative Wallace and Representative Lilly. And welcome to your Capitol, ladies. Representative Scherer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Scherer: "I, too, would like to welcome the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority here to the Capitol today for their legislative day. And I would like to especially welcome those from... from my district. Dr. Priscilla Palmer is up in the gallery and Shelith Hansbro was a moment ago. She might have walked out. But anyway, Dr. Palmer, I... I started long, long ago as a teacher's aide in her classroom in first grade and it's been a long journey since then. So, welcome to the Capitol."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Leader Bellock, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise on a point of personal privilege."

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Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Bellock: "I'm honored today to ask the chamber to welcome retired U.S. Congresswoman Judy Biggert who served in this chamber for three terms and then went on to Congress to represent Representative Sandack and my district for seven terms in Washington, D.C. And we're just welcomed she's being appointed to the Educational Labor Relations Board tomorrow. So, I would ask everybody in the chamber to rise and give her a round of applause for all the work she did for us in the U.S. Congress."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you. Welcome back. Representative Monique Davis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, rise to commend the women of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and commend them on the work they do. They do marvelous work in the community. They tutor kids in schools, they help mothers who have to work and need after-school care. They do a marvelous job as volunteers as they continue their professional lives. Give them a big round of applause. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. Representative Barbara Wheeler, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wheeler, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Wheeler, B.: "I would like to welcome the Mayor of Fox Lake, Donny Schmit, and the Mayor of Wauconda, Frank Bart, to the General Assembly today. Thank you, gentlemen, for coming."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. House Joint Resolution 36, Representative Chapa LaVia. You may present, Representative."

Chapa LaVia: "Thank you, Speaker. You look mighty handsome today."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative."

Chapa LaVia: "But I bet that's not the first time you've heard that. Today, I present the House Joint Resolution 36 that creates the Bilingual task force. We added in community colleges. They wanted to be there. And the Lieutenant Governor was removed only because... initially she was on there, but what we did is we looked at her platform and what she'll be working on and she's more focused in the business arena. So, we thought it more fitting to remove her at that time and put on the Illinois Community College Board. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Sponsor will yield."

Sandack: "Linda, we had a nice conversation in committee on this. Could you just remind me, is there any expense associated with this task force?"

Chapa LaVia: "I don't remember you asking that question, Representative Sandack."

Sandack: "I'm asking it now though."

Chapa LaVia: "I'm pretty sure it's going to be run by the Department of Education under their auspices, as most of my education task forces are ran. I can get you a little more clarity on that, but right now the Bill doesn't present itself to say that."

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Sandack: "All right. Do you... do you think there will be an expense?  
How's that?"

Chapa LaVia: "Yeah. I... Not expense as far as any compensation for  
travel or anything like that. The only expense would be is if  
we have at the Thompson Center or here the staff staffing  
that task force. That's it."

Sandack: "And one more. And I thank you for your answers. The  
Members of this task force would not be compensated, correct?"

Chapa LaVia: "Not be compensated, Sir."

Sandack: "Thank you very much, Linda."

Chapa LaVia: "You're welcome. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Phillips."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Franks: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Stop... You guys, come on."

Franks: "Representative."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Chapa LaVia to close."

Franks: "No, I had a real question."

Speaker Turner: "Do it... really do it from your desk,  
Representative Franks. Representative Chapa LaVia to close."

Chapa LaVia: "What is going on? I love you guys. Vote 'yes',  
please."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Join... House Joint  
Resolution 36 pass?' All those 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, please take the record. On a count of 116 voting 'yes',  
0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Joint Resolution

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36, having received a Majority is adopted. Representative Reis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Reis: "Inquiry of the Chair."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Reis: "You know, many of us on this side of the aisle have been trying to recruit Representative Franks to come over to our side of the aisle and now that we've successfully done that, we were wondering if we could have the electrician change his voting switch?"

Speaker Turner: "We'll make an exchange. Representative Mayfield, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mayfield: "I would like to... Point of personal privilege. I would like to draw everybody's attention to the back of the chamber. We have Glenn Ruback the Mayor Wadsworth here today. We'd like to welcome him to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Wheeler, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Wheeler, K.: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Wheeler, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We are honored today in the House to have with us the Mayor of the United City of Yorkville Gary Golinski, along with Alderman Chris Funkhouser, Carlo Colosimo, Ken Koch, Diane Teeling, Joel Frieders, as well as City Administrator Bart Olson. Please give them a big Springfield welcome. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Bryant, for what reason do you seek recognition?"



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Bryant: "Thank you, Mr. Chair. For a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Bryant: "Sitting in the gallery today with his wife is the Mayor of Bluford, Mike Bullard."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Chapa La... Chapa LaVia, House Joint Resolution 45."

Chapa LaVia: "House Resolution... Joint Resolution 45 resolves that the General Assembly strongly encourages Congress and the President... and President Obama's administration to reexamine public school accountability system and develop a new system based on multiple forms of evidence for student learning. I'll take any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Wheeler. The question is, 'Shall House Joint Resolution 45 pass?' 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? Representative Lang. Breen. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 117 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Joint Resolution 45, having received the Majority, is adopted. Representative Christian Mitchell, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mitchell, C.: "Point... point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Mitchell, C.: "We've all had... we've had a lot of welcomings today. I just want to say a warm welcome to my predecessor State Representative Kim du Buclet is with us in the back. Say hi."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome back, Representative. Representative Jones, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Proceed."

Jones: "We do have a nice crowd down in Springfield, but I want to welcome the President of South Suburban College, Don Manning and his wife in the gallery. We also have the Student Trustee, Jason Pass... Passmore from South Suburban College. So let us give them a Springfield welcome and thank you for come... coming to Springfield."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. House Resolution 174, Representative Brady. Ready to present, Sir."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Resolution 174 simply seeks to create Scott's Law Day throughout the State of Illinois. And I ask for its adoption. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 174. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 175, Representative Brady."

Brady: "House Resolution 175, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, simply seeks to create Foster Care Worker Week throughout the State of Illinois. And I ask for its adoption and be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 175. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the

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Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 186, Representative Poe."

Poe: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, today I have a House Resolution that would name May 1 State Girl Scout Day. And today in the gallery to back that up, we've got Pam, the CEO of the Girl Scouts, State of Illinois. And then we've got Cate Pierce is the Chief Development Officer. Then we've got a troop of Girl Scouts 6195 and Troop... Brownie Troop of 6046. So I'd ask for a favorable vote on using May 1 as Girl Scout Day in Illinois. There is 54 thousand Girl Scouts in Illinois. We want to honor them."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 186. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. House Resolution 213, Representative Soto."

Soto: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution is a... designates the month of June 2015 as Immigration Heritage Month of the State of Illinois. And the Resolution whereas the Members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognizes the contributions of generations of immigrants from... can we have order in the... in the House?"

Speaker Turner: "One moment, Representative. Members, can we please bring the noise level down in the chamber?"

Soto: "Okay."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Soto."

Soto: "House Resolution 213, whereas, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives recognizes the contributions of generations of immigrants from every corner of the globe in

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building our economy and creating the nation's unique character; and whereas, immigrants continue to grow businesses, innovate, strengthen our economy, and create jobs in Illinois; and whereas, immigrants have provided the United States with unique social and cultural influence, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our nation; and whereas, immigrants have been tireless leaders not only in securing their rights... their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but also working to create a fair and more just society for all Americans. Resolved, by the House of Representative of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that we designate the month of June 2015 as Immigrant Heritage Month in the State of Illinois; and be it further resolved, that we recognize the role of the immigrants building and enriching our nation has frequently been... has been overlooked and undervalued throughout the history and continues to be this present day. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Monique Davis."

Davis, M.: "I rise for a point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Let us adopt the Resolution first, Representative."

Davis, M.: "Oh, sure. Go right ahead. I apologize."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of House Resolution 213. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. Thank you, Representative. Representative Monique Davis."

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Davis, M.: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise for a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Davis, M.: "I rise to introduce one of the best mayors any city has ever known and maybe the longest serving who's never lost an election because he is so dedicated to his village. None other than, Mr. Patrick E. Kitching, the mayor of... of the Village of Alsip. The mayor is up here to your left. To my left. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise on a point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed, Representative."

Sandack: "Thank you. As the introductions have happened all day, but if I'd ask some friends to please stand up: Brayer Teague, Justin Sisul, Jonathan Bast, Anne Calverley, and Debbie Fischer. They're all here on the Arts Education Advocacy Day. They're advocating for fine arts. Hopefully, you'll get a chance to talk to them. Let's give them a nice Springfield welcome, please."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. House Resolution 204, Representative Burke."

Burke, K.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 204 directs the Auditor General to audit appropriations from the general professions dedicated fund for fiscal years 20... 2012, 2013, and 2014 for costs associated with pharmacy programs at several state universities."

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Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Resolution 204 pass?' All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 117 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Resolution 204, having received the Majority, is adopted. House Resolution 214, Representative McAuliffe."

McAuliffe: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 214 would make May of 2015 Hepatitis C Awareness Month. As many of you know, Hepatitis C is a silent epidemic killer. And we want the State of Illinois to recognize this coming.. next month as Hepatitis C Awareness. Be happy to answer any questions and look forward to the adoption of this Resolution."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 214. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 217, Representative Cloonen."

Cloonen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 217 designates a section of Interstate 57 that encompasses an area where the first non-Native American in Illinois settled as a French-Canadian heritage corridor. The majority of the settlers were French-Canadian pioneers who immigrated to this area in the 1820s to 1850s. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Resolution 217 pass?' All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Representative Hurley, Tryon. Mr. Clerk, please take

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the record. On a count of 116 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Resolution 217, having received the Majority, is adopted. House Resolution 221, Representative Moylan. Go ahead and present, Representative. Out of the record. House Resolution 222, Representative Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Body. House Resolution 222 mourns the death of Abigail Liefer, 19 years of age, and Hannah Porter, 20 years of age, who were killed in a tragic car accident on January 10, 2015. They were both taken from this world much too young. House Resolution 222 also designates February 10, 2015, the one-month anniversary of their deaths, as Random Act of Kindness Day. This was a tribute to the girls and it was a tribute to their kind and friendly spirits, which Alison Schubert, Abby's older sister organized. On February 10, 2015, over 10 thousand people worldwide celebrated Random Act Kindness Day in a tribute to these two young women. Again, they were 19 and 20 years old. Involved... very good friends... involved in a head-on collision where they actually hit each other. A very, very tragic event. I would ask the Body to take a moment of silence. And I ask for the adoption House Resolution 222. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The Body will take a moment of silence. Thank you, Representative. Gentleman moves that the House adopt House Resolution 222. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution's adopted. House Resolution 221, Representative Moylan."

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Moylan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Okay. I'm going to tell you about Spirit of 45. House Resolution 221 designates the third Saturday of August in... the year 2015 as Spirit of 45 day in the State of Illinois to commemorate the anniversary of the end of World War II on August 14, 1945."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you, Representative. The Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 221. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 225, Representative Mautino."

Mautino: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. House Resolution 225 is an initiative of the City of Streator and it pays tribute to Dr. Tombaugh and his legacy. Dr. Clyde Tombaugh was born in a farm near Streator and worked at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff. He is the only Illinoisan and the only American to discover a planet. The Resolution asks..."

Speaker Turner: "One moment, Representative. One moment."

Mautino: "...that 2015 be the year of Pluto and urges the International Astronomical Union to reinstate Pluto's status as a planet. Be happy to answer any questions."

Speaker Turner: "On the Resol... Resolution, we have Representative Franks."

Franks: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Leader yield?"

Speaker Turner: "The Leader will yield."

Franks: "Representative, when you brought this to our committee, I... I had to admit I thought it was a little goofy. I did. I thought it was, you know, one of these Mickey Mouse Resolutions. But what happened the next day..."



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Mautino: "I was just going to say, you know, so many people pay attention to your committee."

Franks: "Oh, thanks."

Mautino: "As chairman, you should be proud because you asked why did Pluto should be reinstated as a planet and the very next day the scientific community came out with a white paper for why scientists think Pluto should be reinstated as a planet, again. Now, timing, I don't know, but I think they were listening to you."

Franks: "I... I doubt that. I wouldn't know what..."

Mautino: "You should join the other junior astronomers that have cosponsored the Bill with me."

Franks: "Yes."

Mautino: "We should have you there because obviously the scientific community listens to you."

Franks: "I appreciate that. I'd like to be added as a cosponsor to that. And I think my junior astronomer partner, Mr. Yingling, was very influential in that as well. I think... I think he talked about the orbiting of a..."

Mautino: "The reason that it was... that it was taken out of the status as a planet was because it does not clear the debris on the ice field within its orbit. Eight other planets are in that same situation. And the white paper that came out has asked that that to be dropped from being a criteria."

Franks: "And then... so what would happen is then the designation dwarf planet would be taken away and the fully fledged planet would be reinstated?"

Mautino: "Yes."

Franks: "Not so goofy. I appreciate you bringing this forward."

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Mautino: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 225. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution's adopted. House Resolution 226, Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I have House Resolution 226, which pretty much just urges legislation at the Illinois Veterans Homes Protection Act. As we know, we have a lot of veterans homes and it's... the wait listed almost on every one of them. All I'm trying to do is... is protect these for our people that serve us every day."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 226. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 231, Leader Bellock."

Bellock: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 231 proclaims March 11, 2015, as the annual Alzheimer's Association Advocacy Day in the State of Illinois. And I want to thank everybody that came out and supported the Alzheimer advocates that day when they were here. They appreciated all of their support. Thank you very much."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of House Resolution 231. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 232, Representative Flowers."

Flowers: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Is there an Amendment to be adopted to the Resolution?"

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Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, the status of the Resolution?"

Clerk Hollman: "The Resolution is on the Order of Resolution. There is a Floor Amendment, but it's been referred to the Rules Committee."

Flowers: "Should I move forward? Okay. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Mr. Clerk, please take this Amend.. Resolution out of the record. House Resolution 243, Representative Reis."

Reis: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. House Resolution 243 urges Congress and the administration to move forward with the permitting and construction of the Keystone Pipeline. I ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Batinick. Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 243. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Jones, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Jones: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Proceed, Sir."

Jones: "I'd like to recognize the mayor of the honorable Village of Dolton, Mr. Riley Rogers. He's behind me in the gallery. Please give him a warm, Springfield welcome."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. House Resolution 249, Representative Costello."

Costello: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Resolution 249 rec... recognizes the 50th anniversary of the Kaskaskia Regional Port District and declares June 22, 2015, as Kaskaskia Regional Port District Day. I thank you. And I ask for its adoption."

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Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 249. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 254, Representative Ford."

Ford: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to adopt House Resolution 254. This simply creates the Commission to Reform Child Care in Illinois to develop recommendations to the House of Representatives about improving quality of affordable child care in Illinois. The report is... should... is due September 21, 2015, and that's the last report of the commission. Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield for a question?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Sandack: "LaShawn, I'm looking at my analysis and at least what I have here says the Illinois Action for Children and DHS are opposed. Are they still in opposition, to your knowledge?"

Ford: "I'm not sure. My analysis has no opposition. And I met with Illinois Action before I came to the floor and it seems like we understand the mission of the commission. I don't think they're opposed. They... I mean, it's very clear that I want to work with them... with the commission. And this is a one-time commission and it would be nine Democrats, eight Republicans. And our goal is to make sure that we recognize in Illinois that affordable access to child care is very, very important to the families in Illinois."

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Sandack: "No argument about its importance. Do your commission members, are they paid or compensated in any way?"

Ford: "No."

Sandack: "Thank you, Sir. Appreciate it."

Ford: "Thank you."

Speaker Turner: "The question is, 'Shall House Resolution 254 pass?' 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? Representative Batinick, Cavaletto, Davidsmeyer, Kay, Sosnowski, Stewart. Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On a count of 113 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present', House Resolution 254, having received the Majority, is adopted. House Resolution 252, Representative Dunkin. Go ahead and present, Representative."

Dunkin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This... Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a Bill that is in the current. Starting tomorrow the National Football League draft... their annual draft... is taking place right here in our great state, up in Chicago. And that's a major, major coup for our city and our state, because that has created a major tourism and economic windfall for all of our hotels, our restaurants, all of our businesses, car rentals. That means people are working. That means we are here to really celebrate a great city and state. And I'm proud to sponsor this Resolution, with all of the tourism and convention members in celebrating and recognizing the National Football League draft right here in the State of Illinois. And I would ask for an 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Zalewski."

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Zalewski: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Zalewski: "Ken, before I can support your Resolution I need to know who the Bears are going to draft?"

Dunkin: "Holy. That's a real good question. Hopefully a new quarterback. I have no idea. But there are, I believe, what... number 17 or..."

Zalewski: "Seven. They're number seven."

Dunkin: "Number seven. All right."

Zalewski: "Yes."

Dunkin: "So it's... they're up, I guess, Friday? So if we adjourn early, maybe some of us can go visit a few places."

Zalewski: "Do you have any idea what position they're going to draft?"

Dunkin: "Very good question. I played... I played linebacker for three years in high school."

Zalewski: "Did you really?"

Dunkin: "Do you see this hand? Yes."

Zalewski: "I don't know, Ken."

Dunkin: "I was not in the draft."

Zalewski: "You're on your way to the Century Trophy. I'm going to stop right there."

Dunkin: "Oh, no, no, no. This is... this is great for our state."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Sandack."

Sandack: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield."

Sandack: "Representative Dunkin, are you aware that there is a billboard sign promoting this activity that says, 'Chi-town knows the draft'... Chi-town? Really? That's what we are calling

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Chicago. I think you should take this off the board and reprimand them for that. That's almost a crime."

Dunkin: "Point taken."

Speaker Turner: "Representative Monique Davis."

Davis, M.: "Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Turner: "Sponsor will yield?"

Davis, M.: "Thank you. Representative, where are these... Are these held every year? Are these held every year? These drafts, are they held every year?"

Dunkin: "Yes, Ma'am."

Davis, M.: "And where was it held last year?"

Dunkin: "I believe in New York City."

Davis, M.: "So... and what location will the draft be?"

Dunkin: "Where... I'm sorry it's kind of hard..."

Davis, M.: "I'm sorry. I know it's in Chicago, but what... what venue will it be? Will it be the amphitheater, McCormick Place?"

Dunkin: "Yes. It's going to be Chicago Auditorium Theatre at Roosevelt University. And in the... in Millennium Park, they're going to have a number of festivities there as well, some which will be open to the public. But it's a... I guess because of the weather is... is really taking shape in a good way, it's going to be... part of it will probably be there, as well. But primarily, the sole place is in the Auditorium Theatre on Michigan Avenue in Congress in the 5th District, my district."

Davis, M.: "Do... do the potential draftees have to have made advanced notice or can anybody just show up and try out? How does that work?"

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Dunkin: "That's a very good question. I don't know the answer to that. I would think that most of them have to be invited. And maybe occasionally some of the teams offer a walk-on experience."

Davis, M.: "And can visitors..."

Dunkin: "Right."

Davis, M.: "...go and view the draft?"

Dunkin: "I'm not exactly sure. I believe you have to have a ticket to get into the auditorium."

Davis, M.: "Oh. You have to purchase a ticket, maybe?"

Dunkin: "I don't know about purchase. I think it's an invite only situation. And... but they're... understand, there're going to be some public presentations and illustrations of the overall ceremony of the draft."

Davis, M.: "Representative..."

Dunkin: "It's a highly coveted event."

Davis, M.: "Representative Dunkin, will they have vendors? Will there be vendors at this location?"

Dunkin: "I believe so, because there's going to be a number of out-of-towners. There's going to be people who want to purchase Chicago memorabilia. People are going to want to eat and drink. So, it's a great boom... economic boom for our respective state."

Davis, M.: "Thank you, Representative. To the Resolution, Mr. Speaker. I think we're having, as Representative Dunkin has stated, one of the greatest opportunities that Chicago has ever witnessed. I mean, they're going to have the NFL draft which means we can watch it. Hopefully, it'll be televised. We can see how these gentlemen are chosen. And hopefully maybe



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they'll choose a lot of guys from Chicago. Thank you, Representative. I urge you to vote 'aye'."

Speaker Turner: "Gentleman moves for the adoption of House Resolution 252. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. The Resolution is adopted. House Resolution 271, Representative Lilly."

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the General Assembly, I rise this afternoon to present House Resolution 271. At this time, I would like the representatives from the Illinois Arts Education Association, the Illinois Arts Alliance, and all of our arts teachers and friends to stand in the gallery. Can we give them a round of applause? Their commitment to the arts has made a difference in many of our communities throughout our great state. With the budget cuts that are facing us, it is important to recognize that the arts are very critical and vital to the essence of the people of Illinois. These cuts encompass array of disciplines including dance, music, theater, media, literature, design, visual arts. They are all core academic sub... subjects that are essential to a complete and balanced education of all students. Art education enables students to develop critical thinking and problem solving solution, imagination and creativity, discipline, alternative ways to express themselves and communicate their feelings and their ideals cross-culturally. This is an important aspect of to... to who we are as individuals, inside the classroom and outside the classroom. The personal growth of our students lie in the development of arts programs within the schools. We must urge

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and ask our Governor to remember the importance of the arts throughout the budgetary process. We also should continue to talk with our elected officials and schools throughout the state to maintain arts in the school, to maintain their programs in the schools and to increase funding for the arts in the schools. This Resolution is critical to the life-vein of our citizens. Please I ask for your 'aye' vote."

Speaker Turner: "Lady moves for the adoption of House Resolution 271. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. And welcome to your Capitol. Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. Four... House Resolution 426, offered by Representative Bradley. House Resolution 427, offered by Representative Sandack. House Resolution 428, offered by Representative Breen. And House Resolution 430, offered by Representative Walsh."

Speaker Turner: "Leader Currie moves that the House adopt the Agreed Resolutions. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolutions are adopted. Representative Kelly Burke, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Burke, K.: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Burke, K.: "I'd like to welcome the mayor of Chicago Ridge, Chuck Tokar and his son, Charlie, who are visiting us today for the IML Lobby Day. He's in the... to my right in the gallery. And just like to give them a warm, Springfield welcome."

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Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Representative Lilly, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Lilly: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Turner: "Please proceed."

Lilly: "Yes. I also would like to recognize some of the key people in the arts community: Ms. Joan Mills, the President of the Illinois Arts Education Alliance, Mr. Ra Joy, the Executive Director of the Arts Alliance, and many of their Presidents Ann Becker, Chris, Erin, Jonathan, Amy Sue, and Darcy. Please give them a round of applause."

Speaker Turner: "Thank you and welcome to your Capitol. Members, if I can have your attention for a moment. Democratic Members, specifically, there will be a caucus tomorrow at 11 a.m. in Room 114. Democratic Caucus tomorrow at 11 a.m. in Room 114. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Currie moves that the House adjourn 'til Thursday, April 30, 12:30 p.m. All in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4208, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for Act concerning elections. First Reading of this House Bill. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 376, offered by Representative Acevedo, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 1367, offered by Representative Bellock, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 1393, offered by Representative Beiser, a

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Bill for an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 1446, offered by Representative McDermed, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. Senate Bill 1657, offered by Representative Cabello, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 1702, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 1764, offered by Representative Lilly, a Bill for an Act concerning insurance. Senate Bill 1810, offered by Representative McAsey, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 1906, offered by Representative Cloonen, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1907, offered by Representative Nekritz, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 1908, offered by Representative Kelly Burke, a Bill for an Act concerning utilities. First Reading of these Senate Bills. First Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Costi... Constitutional Amendment #36, offered by Representative Mautino.

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-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 add Section 11 to Article IX of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE IX

REVENUE

SECTION 11. HIGHWAY FUNDS

(a) No moneys derived from taxes, fees, excises, or license taxes relating to registration, titles, operation, or use of

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vehicles or public highways, roads, streets, bridges, mass transit, intercity passenger rail, ports, or airports, or to fuels used for propelling vehicles, including bond proceeds, and from taxes, fees, excises, or license taxes relating to any other transportation infrastructure or transportation operation shall be expended for other than costs of administering laws related to vehicles and transportation, statutory refunds and adjustments provided in those laws, payment of highway obligations, costs for construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair, and betterment of public highways, roads, streets, bridges, mass transit, intercity passenger rail, ports, airports, or other forms of transportation, and other statutory highway purposes, the State or local share to match federal aid highway funds, expenses of grade separation of public highways and railroad crossings, protection of at-grade public highways and railroad crossings, and, with respect to local governments, other transportation purposes as authorized by law. Costs of administering laws related to vehicles and transportation shall be limited to direct program expenses of the Secretary of State, the Department of State Police, and the Department of Transportation, or their successor agencies, related to the enforcement of traffic laws or the safety of public highways, roads, streets, bridges, mass transit, intercity passenger rail, ports, or airports.

(b) None of the revenues described in subsection (a) of this Section shall, by transfer, offset, or otherwise, be diverted to any purpose other than those described in subsection (a) of this Section.

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(c) If a mode of transportation not described in subsection (a) is first proposed for State funding after this Section is added to the Constitution, the mode of transportation must have a dedicated source of funding.

(d) Federal funds may be spent for any purposes authorized by federal law.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. This was First Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #36. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 1228, offered by Representative Lang, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 1281, offered by Representative Turner, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 1763, offered by Representative Feigenholtz, a Bill for an Act concerning children. First Reading of these Senate Bills. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."