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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The regular Session of the -- of the 100th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by -- by Reverend Wayne Kuna, Soul Priority Organization, Elmhurst, Illinois.

THE REVEREND WAYNE KUNA:

(Prayer by the Reverend Wayne Kuna)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Cunningham)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Journals of Wednesday, March 15th, 2017.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Lisa Yuscus, of the Blueroomstream.com, seeks permission to videotape. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Senator Bennett, for what purpose do

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you seek recognition?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

State your point.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, if you'll turn your attention to the rear gallery on the right side, we have some quests today. If you'll stand, please. My good friend, Baku Patel, he's in the back, as -- as well as some students from Havana High School - Dylan Patel, Andrehyu Allen, and Michael Larenas-Leach. This -- they comprise the Urbana Speech -- Speech Team. Debate Team, excuse me. It's embroidered on his jacket. I should have got that right, I apologize. They're in town because they have a competition tomorrow. So if you'll please just give 'em a warm -- Senate welcome and wish them well in their competition tomorrow.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. We hope you enjoy your day and good luck to you all tomorrow. Thank you. Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Mr. President, today I have with me, Josh Mathis. Josh was an intern of mine over the summer. He's very -- a very bright young man. He's a -- a double major at the University of Dubuque

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in accounting and marketing. I don't know why he picked those two? Those would be the last things I would've picked. But, nonetheless, it's a pleasure to have him with me here today. And also up in the gallery, over my left shoulder, is his mother, Janet Mathis, who is the head of Renew Moline, which is an economic development group in -- in my district. So, if we could give 'em a warm Senate welcome, I'd appreciate it, Mr. President. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield, Josh. Hope you enjoy your day. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Resolutions 300 and 301, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

And Senate Resolutions 302 through 315, offered by Senator Althoff and all Members.

They are death resolutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Mr. Secretary, Resolution Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senator Landek, Chairman of the -- Chairperson of the Committee on State Government, reports Senate Bills 1758, 1780, 1902, and 1975 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 676, 707, 1470, 1527, and 1880 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Resolutions 93, 94, 148, 155, 156, and 225 Be Adopted.

Senator Martinez, Chairperson of the Committee on Licensed Activities and Pensions, reports Senate Bills 750 -- excuse me, 768, 1531, 1570, 1585, and 1790 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 308, 309,

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771, 1287, 1688, 1754, 1818, 1821, and 1882 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 636 Recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Harmon, Chairperson of the Committee on Executive, reports Senate Bills 100, 198 through 206, 208 through 221, 225 to -- through 258, 262 through 307, 311, 314 through 348, 350 through 392, 394, 395, 398 through 416, 420, 424 through 439, 441, 442, 443, 444, 447 through 469, 472 through 507, 510 through 517, 519 through 551, 553 through 566, 568 through 581, 982, 984 through 1213, 1479, 1798, 1904, 1933, and 2089 Do Pass; Senate Bills 1424 and 1592 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 674 Recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Hutchinson, Chairperson of the Committee on Revenue, reports Senate Bills 1281, 1385, 1593, 1887, 2046, and 2084 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 207, 587, 609, 1249, 1434, 1437, 1598, and 1700 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Mulroe, Chairperson of the Committee on Insurance, reports Senate Bills 682, 683, 1681, and 1732 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1545 and 1730 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Steans, Chairperson of the Committee on Government - - Oversight and {sic} (of) Medicaid Managed Care, reports Senate Bill 2069 Do Pass.

Senator Bennett, (Vice) Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture, reports Senate Bills 1579, 1584, 1876, 1900, and 2070 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1294, 1466, and 1468 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 1342 Recommended Do Adopt.

Senator Holmes, Chairperson of the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, reports Senate Bills 1981, 1987, 2023, 2066 Do Pass; Senate Bill 1461, 1462, and 1567 Do Pass, as Amended;

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Senate Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill -- 652 Recommended Do Adopt; and Senate Resolution 140 Be Adopted.

Senator Koehler, Chairperson of the Committee on Environment and Conservation, reports Senate Bills 1355, 1866, 1969, 1983, 1985, 1989, and 2030 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1420, 1433, 1597, 1648, 1775, 1943 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Hunter, Chairperson of the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities, reports Senate Bills 730, 1455, 1840, and 1974 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 777, 1383, and 1703 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Cunningham, Chairperson of the Committee on Telecommunications and Information Technology, reports Senate Bills 1381, 1451, and 2072 Do Pass.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Can we lower our voices? I know there's a lot of debating going on, but we haven't taken up any bills yet. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bill 736.

And we have like Messages, Mr. President, on House Bills 740, 759, 769, 1772, 2386, 2442, 2447, 2485, 2488, 2506, 2514, 2531, 2537, 2543, 2585, 2611, 2713, 2897, 2909, 2957, 3014, 3048, 3058, 3060, 3081, 39 -- 3093, 3161, 3169, 3272, 3273, 3855, 3874, 3879, and 3910. Passed the House, March 15th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

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Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 11.

Offered by Senator Collins, and adopted by the -- House, March 15th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

House Bills 1st Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

House Bill 373, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 740, offered by Senator Righter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 769, offered by Senator Muñoz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1772, offered by Senator Barickman.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2382, offered by Senator Hutchinson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2386, offered by Senator Nybo.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2401, offered by Senator Morrison.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2447, offered by Senator McConnaughay.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2485, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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House Bill 2488, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2531, offered by Senator Tracy.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2537, offered by Senator Hastings.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 2543, offered by Senator Sandoval.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2897, offered by Senator Manar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3014, offered by Senator Bush.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3048, offered by Senator Rezin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3161, offered by Senator Bertino-Tarrant.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 3169, offered by Senator McConchie.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

State your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you. I have with me today, Miss Brooke Gardner, junior at Bradley University, studying public relations. And she's spending the day shadowing our very own Brandy Renfro. So we just

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wanted to make sure we gave her a warm Senate welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield, Brooke. Hope you enjoy your time here. Senator Murphy, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR MURPHY:

...President, point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR MURPHY:

I'd like the -- the esteemed Members of the General Assembly to help welcome with me -- behind me in the gallery, I have the Elk Grove - if you'd like to stand up, gentlemen - I have the Elk Grove High School, District 214, Debate Team. Accompanied with them are their coaches, Matt Bohnenkamp and Chris Cirrincione. The team has won two tournaments this year as part of the Illinois Congressional Debate Association Circuit. The Captain, Mike Paul - Mike - is a two-time qualifier and one-time national semi-finalist at the National Speech and Debate Association, the National Conference Debate Tournament. Mike was also a finalist in last year's 2016 IHSA State Congressional Debate Tournament in Springfield. Friday, they will begin the competition. Apparently, they'll be debating with Senator Bennett's team. So go get 'em, Elk Grove. And welcome to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. We hope you enjoy yourselves and good luck. Senator Hutchinson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. One more point of personal

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privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR HUTCHINSON:

Every day I've been reading a story about the budget impasse and sometimes I don't -- I have no idea whether anybody's listening. But I wanted to make sure that it gets in the record, because there's so many people who wonder at home whether anybody's listening. So -- and then I thought about what stories to tell. I normally bring one from my own district, but this time I'm going to do one from another part of the district {sic} because I think that goes to the core of this budget impasse, in that we all need to start thinking about one State of Illinois. This is our State. And I can't think of anybody on this Floor who hasn't experienced something in their district that is heartbreaking as a result of this impasse. So today's story comes from Jacksonville. The Wells Center in Jacksonville is a non-profit agency that has been providing substance abuse and mental health care services to the community for nearly fifty years. The Center not only provides services to Jacksonville, but also Morgan, Scott, Greene, Calhoun, and Jersey counties, serving a population of more than eighty-two thousand Illinois residents. The Center, which operates thirty-two adult in-patient beds and employs sixty-nine staff, is facing closure in April because of delayed payments associated with the State's lack of a permanent budget. The closure of the Wells Center will come at a particularly hard time for rural communities it serves, as America's heroin epidemic has spread and is now wreaking havoc on small towns and communities like nothing before. We know what happens when people do not have access to the services

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they need to end their dependency. They often end up in emergency rooms and on the street, alienated from their families and without any support to help them in their addiction. We also know that the services and expertise provided by places like the Wells Center take years and years to cultivate. Once these services are eliminated, replacing them is next to impossible. So sometimes I wonder whether anybody's listening. It's another day. It's another budget story.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Morrison, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MORRISON:

For the purpose of an introduction, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your introduction.

SENATOR MORRISON:

We're very fortunate to often have sports heroes and champions that come with their medals and their ribbons and they're introduced. This afternoon, I am very honored to have with me someone from my hometown who is also a hero. His name is Alex Spungen. Alex is a freshman at Northwestern. And on spring break -- excuse me, on Christmas break this last year, he was in Hawaii, on a beach, and he saw a father and a son who had been swept out into the current and weren't able to come back and they were struggling. Alex did not think twice about personally -- his own personal safety. He swam out, retrieved the eleven-year-old son, got him on shore, turned around, and went back out to get the dad, who at this time was unconscious. When we talk about our young people not having values, or not being brave, or not looking out for the other guy, we're not thinking about young men like Alex.

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I am so very proud to introduce him to you this afternoon. He is with his parents, Jeff and Joni, who came in this morning. They are the ones who instilled those values in him. So please help me in recognizing a young man that our community and our entire State should be proud of, Alex Spungen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield, Alex. Thank you for being here and thank you for what you've done. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members on the Committee on Assignments will come to the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Senator Trotter in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Senator Bush, you're seeking recognition?

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you, Leader Trotter. Personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your purpose.

SENATOR BUSH:

So -- so, in the month of March, there are many important things that happen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Please, Members, can you give Senator Bush you're attention?

SENATOR BUSH:

Yeah, please. Thank you so much. This is important. So in the month of March, many important things happen, one of which is my dear friend, Senator Linda Holmes, has a birthday today. I'm sure she's forty-twoish. And then, we have someone at the rear of the Chamber, our Sergeant-at-Arms, Joe Dominguez, who has a

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birthday on Sunday, March 19th. If Members would join me in wishing them a happy birthday and many more. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Happy birthday. A very special day. Enjoy 'em. Senator Jones, you seeking recognition?

SENATOR JONES:

Thank you, Mr. President. A purpose of announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

Make your announcement, sir.

SENATOR JONES:

We also have another birthday boy in the House today. It's a huge milestone. Not only are we in the 100th General Assembly, but today is Senator Terry Link's 100th birthday today. So please join me in wishing Terry a very, very happy birthday. We love you, Terry.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

May you enjoy your centennial birthday, sir. All right. I -- I -- I thought he was much older, but thank you. And, Senator Holmes, you seek recognition?

SENATOR HOLMES:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

State your point.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Well, we're going to continue with the party in March here, because we also have my dear friend, the beautiful Senator Melinda Bush, whose birthday is on Saturday, March 18th. So please wish her a happy birthday.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR TROTTER)

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Senator Bush, happy birthday. Happy to all of you guys. And...
Senator Clayborne back in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Bush, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BUSH:

Thank you very much. Point of personal privilege. My
seatmate and birthday bonus friend, Senator Linda Holmes, and I
both have an announcement. We'd like to...

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes, an announcement from Melinda and Linda.

SENATOR BUSH:

Yes, yeah, Mmmmmmlinda. So, we have another birthday in
March. There's someone in this Chamber who bakes for us, who
brings us goodies all the time, who I really believe -- I hold her
accountable for the weight that I have gained since I got here.
But, anyway, Lisa Groesch, her birthday is March 12th, apparently
many fabulous women have March birthdays. Happy birthday, Lisa.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Happy birthday, Lisa. Happy birthday, Melinda and Linda.
Happy birthday to you all. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments,
reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned:
Refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bills 2172 and 2173; refer
to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bill 2029; refer to Transportation
Committee - Senate Bill 508.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

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SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to announce that the Senate Republicans would like to caucus immediately upon adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

That is in order and you're welcome to caucus immediately upon adjournment. Senator Righter, my friend, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise on a point of personal privilege. Actually, I have a two-part point of personal privilege, if I might, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Dale, I'm willing to give you a three-part if you want.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

All right.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your -- please state your point.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

I can barely contain myself, Mr. President. Thank you. My first part is to introduce a young lady who is visiting here, all of us here, at the State Capitol. Her name is Katie Haifley. She is from my district in Mattoon. She is a sophomore at Maranatha Baptist Academy. And she is an extraordinarily talented musician, both guitar and piano. She decided to come here today and find out what it is we really do here. Also, I want to introduce, in the President's Gallery on the Republican side, her father, Pastor Dan Haifley, who is Pastor, coincidentally, at Maranatha Baptist Church. I wonder if the Senate Members could give them a warm

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welcome, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. Thank you for being here. Hope you enjoy yourselves. Okay, Dale, your -- your second part.

SENATOR RIGHTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I am very bothered by the fact that earlier there was a birthday announcement about March 12th birthdays and there's another Member who was excluded from the group. He's not a fabulous lady, but he is fabulous in his own right, and that is Senator Michael Connelly. I wonder if everyone -- Mr. President, this is an opportunity for a little bipartisanship. If you would rise and be willing to engage in a Happy Birthday song to all the Members who have March 12th birthdays, it would be truly inspiring. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McConnelly {sic}, happy birthday to you. Senator Rose, for what purpose -- is it your birthday, too, Senator Rose?

SENATOR ROSE:

No, no. Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

It's -- please state your point.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, sir. Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm honored today to have with me from Clinton High School and Clinton Junior High School, Grace Arnold, who is a freshman; Cole Young, who's in eighth grade; Garrett Swartz, who's a freshman. They are joined today by their grandparents, Diane Peck and Clarene Arnold. Garrett wants to work at the Clinton Exelon plant and what a great story that is, 'cause that's the same Clinton Exelon plant that

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you all helped keep here in Illinois, just last year. Grace wants to be an agriculture teacher and is in the FFA club. And Cole wants to be a physical therapist. So if we could welcome them to Springfield, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. Hope you enjoy yourselves. Thanks for coming. Senator Sam McCann, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you so much, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point, Sam.

SENATOR McCANN:

Thank you, sir. I would like to introduce a guest of mine here today. He is a constituent from the west side of Springfield, Jacob Liebman - or Liebman - Jacob Liebman. Is a recent graduate of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. And it -- he has most recently applied to be a part of our intern program here in the General Assembly. And we're looking forward to working with Jacob. And Jacob and I have been getting to know each other for the last few minutes. And I really respect his work ethic, his world view, and I know he will be a great asset wherever he ends up. So join me in welcoming Jacob to the Senate today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield, Jacob. Glad you're here. Hope you enjoy your day, Jacob. Senator Lightford, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

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Thank you, Mr. President. On a point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR LIGHTFORD:

Today is a day that we've celebrated my assistant, India Hammon's birthday. We're in the 3rd Floor conference room. There's still some goodies there, if you care to join us. But please join me in welcoming {sic} India a very happy birthday. She's a wonderful assistant. I just really love her. She does a wonderful job. Happy birthday, India.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Happy birthday to you, India. We're -- we're proceeding to Resolutions on page 20. Senate Resolution 18. Senator McGuire. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 18, offered by Senator McGuire.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McGuire.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'm honored to present this resolution with our colleague, Senator Weaver, to honor constituents of ours and all the other men and women who are working to raise awareness of omphalocele, a disorder that characterizes {sic} the birth of over a thousand children every year in the United States. I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Senator Holmes.

SENATOR HOLMES:

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Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

...resolutions right now. Senator McGuire, to close.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

I ask for a Yes vote on the resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The question is, shall Senate Resolution 18 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We want to skip down to Senate Resolution 168. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 168, offered by Senator McGuire.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator McGuire, to explain.

SENATOR MCGUIRE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution came to me from a constituent who is the leader of IMEA, Illinois Music Educators Association. The resolution designates March as "Music In the {sic} (Our) Schools Month" in our State of Illinois. I ask for a Yes vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any discussion? Seeing -- seeing -- seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 168 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Holmes, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HOLMES:

Point of personal privilege, now, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

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Please state your point.

SENATOR HOLMES:

Yes, I would like everybody to wish a warm Springfield welcome, especially because they had a little difficulty with their bus breaking down to get here, and it is Annunciation (of the) Blessed Virgin Mary from Aurora. They're up here in the gallery. Please give them a Springfield welcome.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Welcome to Springfield. Glad you're here. Hope you enjoy your day. Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Joint Resolution 41.

Offered by Senator Harmon.

(Secretary reads HJR No. 41)

Adopted by the House, March 16th, 2017. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

On the Order of Resolutions, House Joint Resolution 41. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 41, offered by Senator Harmon.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Harmon moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration and adoption of House Resolution -- House

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Joint Resolution 41. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Harmon moves for the adoption of House Joint Resolution 41. All in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Resolution Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Is there any questions? If not, the question is, shall the resolution {sic} on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. And the resolutions are adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, pursuant to House Joint Resolution 41, the Senate stands adjourned to the hour of 12 noon on the 28th day of March 2017, or until the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.