

83RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Will our guests please be in order. WCIA-TV has asked permission to shoot. Hearing of no objection, permission is granted. Article IV, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois reads in part as follows: On the first day of the January Session of the General Assembly in odd numbered years, the Governor shall convene the Senate to elect from the membership a President of the Senate as presiding officer. The Senate will please be in order. The opening prayer will be delivered by the Senate Chaplain, Reverend John Smith, Superintendent of Maryville Academy in Des Plaines.

REVEREND JOHN SMITH:

(Prayer given by Reverend Smith)

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I, hereby appoint Mr. Edward Fernandes as temporary Secretary of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly. I, hereby appoint Mr. Tracey Sidles as temporary Sergeant-At-Arms of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly. Will the Secretary please read to the members the letter of certification from the State Board of Elections.

SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Honorable James R. Thompson, Governor.

Dear Governor Thompson - The individuals named on the attached sheet have been duly elected to serve as members of the Illinois State Senate and they have been certified by the State Board of Elections to serve in the 83rd General Assembly. Sincerely, Ronald D. Michaelson, Executive Director.

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Will the Secretary please call the roll of the members-elect to the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly.

SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

David Barkhausen, Waukegan; Leonard F. Becker, Cicero;

Arthur L. Berman, Chicago; Prescott E. Bloom, Peoria; Terry L. Bruce, Olney; Kenneth Von Buzbee, Makanda; Howard W. Carroll, Chicago; Charles Chew, Jr., Chicago; Max E. Coffey, Charleston; Earlene Collins, Oak Park; John D. D'Arco, Jr., Chicago; Clarence A. Darrow, Rock Island; John A. Davidson, Springfield; Glenn V. Dawson, Chicago; Timothy F. Degnan, Chicago; Vince Demuzio, Carlinville; Aldo A. DeAngelis, Olympia Fields; Robert J. Egan, Chicago; Forest D. Etheredge, Aurora; Beverly Fawell, Glen Ellyn; John E. Friedland, South Elgin; Adeline Jay Geo-Karis, Zion; John E. Groberg, St. Charles; Kenneth Hall, St. Louis; Joyce Holmberg, Rockford...

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...East St. Louis, Mr. Secretary...East St. Louis, Mr. Secretary..

SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

East St. Louis. I'm sorry, Kenny.

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Unless the Senator has something grandeur in mind.

SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

...Joyce Holmberg, Rockford; George Ray Hudson, Hinsdale; Gene Johns, Marion; Emil Jones, Jr., Chicago; Jeremiah E. Joyce, Chicago; Jerome J. Joyce, Reddick; Roger A. Keats, Willmette; Richard Kelly, Jr., Hazel Crest; Laura Kent, Quincy; Bob Kustra, Glen View; Thaddeus (Ted) Lechowicz, Chicago; LeRoy Walter Lemke, Chicago; Richard Luft, Pekin; Virginia B. Macdonald, Arlington Heights; William F. Mahar, Homewood; John W. Maitland, Jr., Bloomington; William A. Marovitz, Chicago; Edward A. Nedza, Chicago; Dawn Clark Netsch, Chicago; Richard H. Newhouse, Jr., Chicago; James "Pate" Philip, Elmhurst; Harlan Rigney, Freeport; Philip J. Rock, Oak Park; James H. Rupp, Decatur; George E. Sangmeister, Mokena; Frank D. Savickas, Chicago; Jack Schaffer, Cary; Calvin W. Schuneman, Prophetstown; Margaret Smith, Chicago; Roger A. Sommer, Morton; Sen...M.

Vadalabene, Edwardsville; Frank C. Watson, Greenville; Stanley B. Weaver, Urbana; Patrick D. Welch, Peru; Greg Zito, Melrose Park.

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A quorum is present. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Governor, I'd like the record to show that Senator Coffey is in the Memorial Hospital with pneumonia. He will be sworn in today by a local Circuit Judge. Also, Senator Fawell is in the Good Sand Hospital in Downers Grove, Illinois. She did not have a heart attack and she will also be sworn in today.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Thank you, Senator. The absences will...will be noted and the Senate will express their best wishes to the absent members for their speedy recovery in their joining the Body. The following Senators are appointed to the committee to meet Appellate Court Justice McGloon and our guests from the Supreme Court, Justice Goldenhersh, Chief Justice Ryan, Justice Moran, Justice Simon, Justice Clark, Justice Underwood, Justice Ward, and escort them into the Chamber. Justice McGloon will be escorted to the Rostrum for the purpose of swearing in the members-elect. And, if the committee should happen to spot a former member of this Body who has now been promoted to the second floor, a fellow by the name of Donnewald, they are hereby authorized by the Chair to escort him in as our guest as well. I appoint Senator Bruce, Senator Carroll, Senator Newhouse, Senator Geo-Karis, Senator Bloom, and Senator Becker. Please escort the court. I extend the welcome of the Senate and its temporary President to the members of the Supreme Court who grace our Chamber today and I would ask that Justice Thomas A. McGloon come to the Rostrum for the purpose of swearing in the members-elect of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly. It gives the

Chair a great deal of personal pleasure to introduce to the Body and their guests an old friend of the Chairman's. And in these troubled times of our State it's good that we have a westsider from the City of Chicago standing on the Rostrum with the Chairman, a westsider from the City of Chicago to swear in the members. Justice McGlooin, welcome.

JUSTICE MC GLOON:

Everybody raise their right hand. I, (say your name), do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of State Senator to the best of my ability. Grab your swords and come out fighting and congratulations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Will the Senate and our guests be in order, please, and you may all sit. At this time I think it would be in order to recognize a special guest of the Senate, a former member of your Body, now the Treasurer of the State of Illinois, Senator Donnewald. Senator Donnewald. The next order of business is the election of the President of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly. Under the Rules of the Senate, thirty affirmative votes will be required to elect the President. Nominations are now open. The Chair recognizes Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

Mr. President, Governor, and distinguished guests, I have the honor of placing the name of Senator Philip Rock in nomination for the office of President of the Senate. This Chamber has been guided by Senator Rock's leadership for the last four years, years that have been difficult ones for the people of the State of Illinois, State Government, and the legislative process. And, while we have been tested by the events of the last four years, this General Assembly and this State Senate faces even more serious challenges to our abil-

ity to govern. If we are to meet this challenge and we must, if we are to be true to those that elected us here today, we should look to one who has had a career of effective and thoughtful leadership. As we begin a Session that will be marked by difficult and even painful decisions, we must look to compromise not confrontation. Philip Rock, by both his nature and his style, has sought to find that common ground in times of conflict. We, each vigorously and rightfully, represent a unique constituency, a unique geographic region of the State of Illinois, and yet together, we have a responsibility to represent all of the people of the State of Illinois. Within this Chamber there are few individuals in Illinois and in government today that better understand these competing needs than Philip Rock. He has worked with all of us to address the individual needs of the fifty-nine Senate districts, without forgetting that we are but one State. And, in a time of economic despair, our ability to compromise and make solutions will be the key to keeping the State of Illinois and our government operating. Each of us also have a responsibility to speak for those who because of poverty, ignorance, discrimination, infirmity and disability cannot speak for themselves. Senator Rock's personal and professional dedication to those in our society who are in need has helped us to heed the call of our...of those who must depend on government as...our protector. His compassion and understanding of the human condition will be even more critical in the coming months as the need grows and the economic pie shrinks. As I have come to understand him, Philip Rock will respect a colleague's position and if necessary agree to disagree without being disagreeable. He has conducted the proceeding of this Chamber in the professional manner that contributes to a respect for our proceedings and for our actions. Two days ago Neal Hartigan, in being sworn in at the Attorney General of the State of Illinois, challenged

each of us to work to solve our State's problems, that we cannot shrink from the duties that we all carry as citizens of a free nation and State, and he asked the question, if not now, when? And if not me, who? The problems of the Senate are now and the person who should lead us is Philip Rock. It is my honor to place his name in nomination.

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Thank you, Senator. The Chair recognizes Senator Savickas.
SENATOR SAVICKAS:

Mr. Governor, Mr. President, our distinguished guests and members of the General Assembly, it is my pleasure to second the nomination of Senator Philip J. Rock as President of the Senate. We have been fortunate in the last two General Assemblies to have Phil Rock as our presiding officer. He has contributed much to improving the legislative process and the quality of legislation considered and enacted by this Chamber. As many of us are well aware and our new colleagues will come to appreciate, Phil Rock is unique in his respect for and promotion of the legislative branch of government. Likewise, it is with a mutual respect that each of us, regardless of party or geography, can turn to Phil Rock for effective and compassionate leadership. Phil Rock has and will continue to strongly defend the wishes of this Body to the administration. And while he is strong in defense of his own positions as well as those of the entire membership, Phil Rock has been eminently fair in his approach of the most controversial and difficult issues. In a time of skepticism towards government, the people of Illinois are fortunate to have a man of great integrity and honesty dedicated to public service. Although Phil Rock shares with me an urban constituency, he has helped all of us to better understand the needs of the entire State. Largely through his efforts, my colleagues from Cook County have come to better understand the issues facing the agricultural, the coal mining, the

rural communities of our State; and I think to the benefit of the urban constituencies, Senator Rock has helped our downstate colleagues to better understand the pressing needs of the second largest city in the nation. Although Phil Rock is an avout partisan and leader of the State Democratic Party, he will be the first to put partisanship aside to forge the necessary bipartisan solutions to our State's difficult problems. He has, in fact, been criticized from time to time for his willingness to compromise with our Republican colleagues and our Republican Governor. It is important to remember that while Phil Rock's strong belief that the principles and goals of the Democratic Party can best lead our State and nation, he does not forget that...each of us best serves the people of Illinois by resolving conflict and forming concensus for the good of all of the people. After a highly charged campaign season, it is more necessary today than in the coming months that we form a unified front to address the extremely pressing needs of our State. To borrow a phrase from Governor Thompson, Phil Rock is a tough leader for a tough times; and more importantly, he is a compassionate and understanding leader for a time when human needs cry out for attention. So, I join with my colleagues from downstate Illinois in seconding the nomination of Phil Rock as President of the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Johns, do you seek recognition?

SENATOR JOHNS:

I do. Mr. President, Mr....Mr. Governor, Honorable Sir, when I first started in 1970 with Philip J. Rock, he told me, "Gene, we're going to bring this State together," and he's worked towards that means. I wish to second the nomination of Philip Rock for President of the Senate of the...83rd General Assembly, because a few of us know that he once studied to be a priest. It shows in his manner and his actions. I

also know that he has a fist big enough to be a prize fighter and he once was great in the Golden Gloves. This gives him both, mental and physical fiber for the job at hand. Phil has brought to the Senate fair play under fire. I've watched it when I wished he would have been a little more partisan, but he has been the rock of steadfastness. The fair play that I spoke about has never been lacking. Phil Rock is a man's man. He has won many awards as a legislator and this shows in the...in the path that he has chosen. He has a bright future ahead, one above the power that we bestow upon him today; and I'm glad, very glad and very honored, to be a part of his leadership team, and I, therefore, second the nomination of Philip J. Rock for President of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Thank you, Senator Johns. The Chair recognizes Senator Weaver for the purpose of placing a name in nomination.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Governor, distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, and members of the Senate. It is a real privilege for me to stand and place in nomination for President of the Senate a colleague well trained to lead the Senate as President in the 83rd General Assembly. His leadership training began many years ago, not in training for the priesthood but in training for the United States Marine Corps. His leadership of the Minority in the 82nd General Assembly has been second to none in the years of my experience in the General Assembly. I would like to place in nomination the Republican leader of DuPage County, the Republican leader of the Minority, Senator James "Pate" Philip, a colleague well qualified to lead the Senate. Thank you, Governor.

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Thank you, Senator Weaver. The Chair recognizes Senator Grothberg.

SENATOR GROTEBERG:

Thank you, Governor Thompson. Fellow Senators, I rise to second the nomination of James "Pate" Philip of DuPage County for President of this distinguished Body in the trying days ahead. Previous speakers have alluded to the fact that we must get together, and that people of Illinois expect compromise and cooperation. That is when the people really put our feet to the test, because if you take each of the parties that are making that appeal, you will find that there are individual needs in the State of Illinois and that it is not all that harmonious serving the people of Illinois. They expect, as Justice McGlooin just said, "Pull out your swords and come out fighting." I think that was a very wise remark, Justice McGlooin, because that is what the people expect, and there will be some fights on this Floor in the days ahead and we all know that, but it will all work out for the best, because in the spirit of harmony, first you must have differences. And when we have those differences, I think of no one else that can lead this organization in the manner, conciliatory manner, the direct manner when needed of Senator James "Pate" Philip, a man for his time, a man for each and every one of us. If you'll catch him once in awhile, you will find that he is humble. If you...if you get him alone sometimes, you will find out where he stands on issues. That is the type of person that each and every one of us, particularly on this side of the aisle, have declared is the type of person that we would like to see you on the other side enjoy for just a few years, just a few years till we get a little more evenly balanced. We, in the Minority, Ladies and Gentlemen, know now what it's like to be in a Minority again, and I think it would only be fitting and proper for the people of Illinois to have someone that's been there lately to lead the Senate of Illinois, and I, therefore, am proud to second the nomination of James "Pate" Philip.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Thank you, Senator. Justice McGlooin observes that the more things change, the more they remain the same in the Illinois Senate. The Chair recognizes Senator DeAngelis.

SENATOR DE ANGELIS:

Thank you, Governor and Mrs. Thompson, fellow Senators, friends, and family members. I rise to second the nomination of Senator James "Pate" Philip for the Presidency of the Senate. No one has committed as much of his life to public service as Senator Philip. No one works harder or longer than Senator Philip. And, no one makes himself as available as Senator Philip to the members of this Body. Senator Savickas said, "Tough times deserve a tough leader." I can think of no tougher leader than Senator Philip, as Senator Grothberg alluded, for the fact that he is an ex-Marine. So, therefore, I don't think anyone is more deserving of the honor and the need to be President of this Senate, as Senator James Philip, whose name I am pleased to second for that nomination.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Thank you, Senator. Are there any other nominations? If not, the Chair recognizes Senator Nedza.

SENATOR NEDZA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I now move that the nominations for the office of Senate President be closed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Is there a second? It has been moved and seconded that the nominations be closed. All those in favor, say Aye. All opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The nominations are closed. The Secretary will call the roll of the Senators. Each Senator should answer the roll call by stating the name of the nominated candidate for whom he is voting or vote Present. Call the roll.

SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Barkhausen - Barkhausen votes Philip, Becker - Becker votes Philip, Berman - Berman votes Rock, Bloom - Bloom votes Philip, Bruce - Bruce vote...votes Rock, Buzbee - Buzbee votes Rock, Carroll - Carroll votes Rock, Chew - Chew votes Rock, Coffey, Collins - Collins votes Rock, D'Arco - D'Arco votes Rock, Darrow - Darrow votes Rock, Davidson - Davidson votes Philip, Dawson - Dawson votes Rock, DeAngelis - DeAngelis votes Philip, Degnan - Degnan votes Rock, Demuzio - Demuzio votes Rock, Egan - Egan votes Rock, Etheredge - Etheredge votes Philip, Fawell, Friedland - ...Friedland votes Philip, Geo-Karis - Geo-Karis votes Philip, Grotberg - Grotberg votes Philip, Hall - Hall votes Rock, Holmberg - Holmberg...votes Rock, Hudson - Hudson votes Philip, Johns - Johns votes Rock, Jones - Jones votes Rock, Jeremiah Joyce - Jeremiah Joyce votes Rock, Jerome Joyce - Jerome Joyce votes Rock, Keats - Keats votes Philip, Kelly - Kelly votes Rock, Kent - Kent votes Philip, Kustra - Kustra votes Philip, Lechowicz - Lechowicz votes Rock, Lemke - Lemke votes Rock, Luft - Luft votes Rock, Macdonald - Macdonald votes Philip, Mahar - Mahar votes Philip, Maitland - Maitland votes Philip, Marovitz - Marovitz votes Rock, Nedza - Nedza votes Rock, Netsch - ...Netsch votes Rock, Newhouse - Newhouse votes Rock, Philip - Philip votes Rock, Rigney - Rigney votes Philip, Rupp - Rupp votes Philip, Rock - Rock votes Philip, Sangmeister - Sangmeister votes Rock, Savickas - Savickas votes Rock, Schaffer - Schaffer votes Philip, Schuneman - Schuneman votes Philip, Smith - Smith votes Rock, Sommer - Sommer votes Philip, Vadalabene - Vadalabene votes Rock, Watson - Watson votes Philip, Weaver - Weaver votes Philip, Welch - Welch votes Rock, Zito - Zito votes Rock.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (GOVERNOR JAMES THOMPSON)

Results of the roll call are as follows: Senator Philip, 24; Senator Rock, 33. Senator Rock having received the necessary votes is hereby declared elected as President of

the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly. While Senator Rock is making his way to the Rostrum to be sworn in, the Chair will take a moment of personal privilege to observe that on February 16th, 1977, at 5:44 a.m., on the hundredth and eighty-sixth ballot, this Chair was able to declare the election of the Senate President. I am pleased that we did it in one ballot this time. The Chair will also observe that we have just witnessed a piece of history today. This is the first time since the adoption of our new Constitution that one man has had the honor of being elected to three successive terms as the President of the Senate of Illinois. The Chair will also observe that never in his years of presiding over this Body on its convening day has he heard more truthful statements made in the nomination and seconding of both candidates for President of the Senate and that is an auspicious beginning for this Body in the 83rd General Assembly, and I will conclude by saying that I think the Senate has chosen wisely, and I think you have chosen a man who will without doubt serve all the interests of all the people of the State of Illinois, serve them well, serve them courageously, serve them proudly in the difficult days that lie ahead. Mr. President, congratulations.

CHIEF JUSTICE MC GLOON:

Okay. Raise your right hand.

(Chief Justice McGloon issues the oath of office
of President of the Senate to Philip J. Rock)

Congratulations.

PRESIDENT:

Father Smith, Reverend Clergy, Governor and Mrs. Thompson, Justice Mc Gloon, my former ward committeeman, members of the court, Senator Donnewald, members and colleagues in the Senate, their families, their friends, their relatives, their supporters, I am truly again honored by the confidence you have shown in my ability to preside over this

most distinguished Body. I am truly grateful for your support, but even more, I am humbled by the enormity of the task that lies before each and every one of us. We were each elected last November with a sense of mission for creating for the eleven million people of this State a healthier, safer and better educated Illinois. To those who have placed their confidence in each of you, I will again do my best to help you be true to their wishes and to realize their hopes for the future of Illinois. The agenda for the 83rd General Assembly will be, by necessity, one of the most painful and difficult encountered by elected officials. While the budget decisions facing this assembly will be difficult ones, they will be no less difficult, I suggest, than the decisions being faced in daily life by the people we serve. We must be cautious, I further suggest, in the coming months not to put the budget question ahead of the human question. For in the final analysis, we will each of us be judged by our treatment of those who must rely on the government. A compassionate man, one who well understood the power and the potential of a legislative Body, Hubert Humphrey, once said that the moral test of government is how it treats those who are in the dawn of life, the children; those who are in the twilight of life, the aged, and those who are in the shadows of life, the sick, the needy and the handicapped. Our test will come individually and collectively in the coming months as we seek honestly and forthrightly to find solutions. With your continued support, assistance and prayers we will live up to the faith and responsibility entrusted to us and we will pass that test of government. I pledge to you all my best effort. I would like the Body to recognize formally the First Lady of Illinois, Jayne Thompson. Mrs. Thompson. And, I would like the Body to recognize the speaker of my house, Sheila Rock. Governor, it's always a delight to have you here; it is equally delightful when we can properly escort you back to

your office. I would like the following Senators to key up in the Well and escort the Governor and Mrs. Thompson from the Chamber, as they so properly deserve. Senators Chew, Hall, and Savickas. Senators Maitland, Keats, and Kent. Please. Governor, thank you, very much. The Chair would again ask Senators Newhouse, Bruce and Carroll to come forward and Senators Geo-Karis, Bloom, and Becker to escort the distinguished members of the Supreme Court from our Chamber. We thank the members of the court for their attendance. The Chair is pleased to announce the...and designate the Assistant Majority Leaders for the 83rd General Assembly. They are, Senator Frank Savickas, Senator Terry Bruce, Senator Kenneth Hall, Senator Vince Demuzio, and Senator Gene Johns will be the Caucus Chairman. Congratulations to you all. The next order of business is one that I hope to a long time preside over and that is the election of a Minority Leader. Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Senate. I would request unanimous consent on behalf of the Republican members of the Senate to declare Senator Philip Minority Leader of the Senate of the 83rd General Assembly.

PRESIDENT:

You have heard the request for unanimous consent. Is leave granted? Leave is granted. Senator Pate...James "Pate" Philip is the Minority Leader of the 83rd General Assembly. Congratulations, Pate. Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Senator Rock. I want to congratulate you on being elected President of the Senate, and I want to extend my hand of friendship and cooperation. I know we had a lot of differences and I'm as partisan as anybody on this Floor, and you will hear from the the minority on occasion, but I offer you my hand and say, let's work together, let's solve

some of these problems in Illinois. We are really a Minority now on this side, as you know we're down to... I hate to say it, 26. Hopefully, we will make some gains in the next two years, but we're going to be a strong minority and we offer you our hand of friendship and cooperation and we'll get this job done. You know, one of the difficult things that I have to do is pick people for leadership. I think it's probably the most difficult thing I have to do. We have so many qualified people and there are so few positions for leadership. I would like to make those announcements. The three Assistant Minority Leaders will be Senator Weaver, Senator Grothberg, Senator DeAngelis. The Chairman of our Caucus will be Senator Davidson; the Secretary of our Caucus will be Senator Geo-Karis.

PRESIDENT:

Ladies and Gentlemen, congratulations. Resolutions, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 1 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 1)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

This is our resolution which elects the two officers of our Body. Rather than going through a procedure where we vote for one and then name the other, we thought it might be more advisable to go on one resolution this time, and I would ask the Secretary, with leave of the Body, to call the roll of the members so that we might vote on the offices.

PRESIDENT:

Alright. The question is the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 1. Mr. Secretary, call the roll.

SECRETARY:

Barkhausen, Becker, Berman, Bloom, Bruce, Buzbee,

Carroll, Chew, Coffey, Collins, D'Arco, Darrow, Davidson, Dawson, DeAngelis, Degnan, Demuzio, Egan, Etheredge, Fawell, Friedland, Geo-Karis, Grotberg, Hall, Holmberg, Hudson, Johns, Jones, Jeremiah Joyce, Jerome Joyce, Keats, Kelly, Kent, Kustra, Lechowicz, Lenke, Luft, Macdonald, Mahar, Maitland, Marovitz, Nedza, Netsch, Newhouse, Philip, Rigney, Rupp, Sangmeister, Savickas, Schaffer, Schuneman, Smith, Sommer, Vadalabene, Watson, Weaver, Welch, Zito, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT:

On the question of the adoption of the resolution...Senate Resolution No. 1, there are 55 Ayes; no Nays. The resolution is adopted and our congratulations to Mr. Wright and Mr. Fernandes. All right. Resolutions.

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 2 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 2)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

I think the Secretary of the Senate explains it. It is our resolution which adopts our prior rules as our rules of the 83rd General Assembly as temporary rules, until such time as the Rules Committee can draft any needed changes to those rules. I would move the adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Bruce has moved the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 2. All in favor, signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. The Chair would recognize and welcome the Comptroller of the State of Illinois, the Honorable Roland Burris. With leave of the Body, Comptroller Burris has a...hopefully, a cheery note about the state of the State.

COMPTROLLER BURRIS:

(Remarks by Comptroller Burris)

PRESIDENT:

Further Resolutions, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 3 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 3)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman...Mr. President. This will...this is a resolution which will allow us to organize the committee structure. The Committee on Committees, is identical as it was in the 82nd General Assembly, a 6-4 split with leadership and the caucus chairmen on the...on the committee.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce has moved the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 3. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Further resolutions, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 4 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 4)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

The Secretary said it all. I would move its adoption.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Bruce has moved the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 4. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Further resolutions, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 5 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 5)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

This is a resolution which requires the record keeping, transcripts and Journals of our proceedings. I would move its adoption.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce has moved the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 5. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Further resolutions?

SECRETARY:

Senate Resolution No. 6 offered by Senator Bruce.

(Secretary reads SR 6)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

Thank you. This is our standard committee; it does not expend any money and we would like to have it adopted today.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce has moved the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 6. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Further resolutions?

SECRETARY:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1.

(Secretary reads SJR 1)

PRESIDENT:

Senator Bruce.

SENATOR BRUCE:

This is our adjournment resolution which will require us to adjourn today and come back on the 19th at noon. Pursuant

to the rules that we adopted, I would move for the suspension of those rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT:

All right. Senator Bruce has moved the suspension of the rules for the immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution No. 1. Any discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Bruce now moves the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 which calls for us, at the close of business today, to return to Springfield next Wednesday, at the hour of noon. All in favor signify by saying Aye. All opposed. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Introduction of bills.

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES):

Senate Bill No....

PRESIDENT:

...excuse me, Mr. Secretary. Senator Hall, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR HALL:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT:

State your point, Sir.

SENATOR HALL:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate and our guests, we are honored today to have here in our midst a former Dean of the Senate who retired a few years ago after serving thirty-four years in this august Body. History is being made today, as he is here to being present...to see his wife sworn in as a member of the Senate, after serving one term in the House; and she ran and was elected to the Senate seat that he formerly held. I speak of no other than the Honorable Fred Smith and his lovely wife, Senator Margaret Smith.

PRESIDENT:

Senator Smith, welcome back. Wait just a minute, Mr. Secretary. The Chair is pleased to recognize the presence of the Attorney General of the State of Illinois, the Honorable Neil F. Hartigan. Welcome, Neil. Come on up.

ATTORNEY GENERAL HARTIGAN:

(Remarks by Attorney General Hartigan)

PRESIDENT:

With leave of the Body, I would like to also acknowledge the presence and ask him to speak, a man who needs no introduction certainly to this Chamber, the United States Senator from Illinois, the Honorable Alan Dixon.

UNITED STATES SENATOR DIXON:

(Remarks by U. S. Senator Alan Dixon)

PRESIDENT:

Introduction of bills, Mr. Secretary.

REEL #2

ACTING SECRETARY: (MR. FERNANDES)

Senate Bill No. 1 sponsored by Senator Rock.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 2 offered by Senator Buzbee.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 3 offered by Senator Jerome Joyce.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 4 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 5 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 6 by Senator Maitland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 7, the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 8 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 9 by Senator...by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 10 by Senators Mahar, Vadalabene,
Sangmeister and Keats.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 11 by Senator Grotberg.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 12 by Senator Mahar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 13 by Senator Geo-Karis.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 14 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 15 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 16 by the same sponsor.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 17 by Senators...Jeremiah Joyce and Degnan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill No. 18 by the same sponsors.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 19 by the same sponsors.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 20 by Senators J. E. Joyce and Degnan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 21 by Senator Jeremiah Joyce.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 22 by Senator Jeremiah Joyce and Degnan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 23 by Senator Jeremiah Joyce.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 24 by Senator Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st reading of the bills.

PRESIDENT:

Any further business to come before the Senate? Any announcements? Senator Philip.

SENATOR PHILIP:

Thank you, Mr. President. I...I'd like to make an announcement that I would ask my fellow Republicans to come to my office right after this meeting for the purpose of selecting seats and office space. Mechanically, we have to get that...that ball rolling. Also, as you know, I'd like to introduce somebody. As you know Senator Keats has been single longer than anybody in the Senate. He was very wise in not bringing down his wife before they got married. So, I believe it's the first time that Pam Keats has been down here in the Senate and I'd like to have her arise and be recognized by the Senate. Congratulations.

PRESIDENT:

Welcome, Mrs. Keats. Any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Savickas moves that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to the adjournment resolution until Wednesday, January 19th at the hour of twelve o'clock noon. Ladies and Gentlemen, congratulations to you all. The Senate now stands adjourned.