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PRESIDENT JONES:

Regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Reverend James Meeks, Senator Meeks, Pastor of Salem Baptist Church.

THE REVEREND SENATOR JAMES MEEKS:

(Prayer by the Reverend Senator James Meeks)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance, by Senator Link.

SENATOR LINK:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Link)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Reading and Approval of the Journal. Senator Woolard.

SENATOR WOOLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the reading and the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, January 8, in the year of 2003, be postponed, pending arrival of the printed Journal.

PRESIDENT JONES:

So moved. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution No. 6, offered by Senator Silverstein. It is a death resolution.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Silverstein will move for the immediate consideration...

SECRETARY HAWKER:

And Senate Resolution No. 7, offered by Senator Bomke. It is also a death resolution.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Introduction of Bills.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 1, offered by Senator Emil Jones, John Sullivan, Woolard, Demuzio and others.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 2, offered by Senators Ronen, Meeks, Martinez, Link and others.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 3, offered by Senators Halvorson, Crotty and J. Sullivan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 4, offered by Senators Obama, Welch, Collins, Hunter and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 5, offered by Senators Hendon, Hunter and Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 6, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 7, offered by Senator Woolard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 8, offered by Senators Obama, Emil Jones and Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 9, offered by Senators Obama and Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 10, offered by Senator Walsh.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 11, offered by Senators Walsh, Viverito and Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 12, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 13, offered by Senators Demuzio and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 14, offered by Senator John Sullivan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 15, offered by Senators Obama, Martinez and Collins.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 16, offered by Senators Lightford, John Sullivan and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 17, offered by Senators Garrett, Ronen, Link and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 17, offered by Senators Garrett, Ronen, Link and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 18, offered by Senators Clayborne, Welch and Trotter.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 19, offered by Senators Emil Jones, del Valle, Maloney, Martinez, Collins and Harmon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 20, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 21, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 22, offered by Senators -- Senator Woolard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 23, offered by Senator del Valle.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 24, offered by Senator del Valle.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 25, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 26, offered by Senator del Valle.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 27, offered by Senator John O. Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 28, offered by Senator John O. Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 29, offered by Senator John O. Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 30, offered by Senator Obama.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 31, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 32, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 33, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 34, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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Senate Bill 35, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

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Senate Bill 36, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 37, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 38, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 39, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 40, offered by Senators Walsh and Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 41, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 42, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 43, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 44, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 45, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 46, offered by Senators John Sullivan, Walsh,  
Welch, Demuzio and Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 47, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 48, offered by Senator Silverstein.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 49, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 50, offered by Senators Cullerton and Cronin.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 51, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

Senate Bill 52, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDENT JONES:

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Senator -- Senator Demuzio, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

I had a couple of announcements if the Members would -- if I get the attention of -- of the Members for a moment. There's a couple announcements.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

The -- the Comptroller's -- Comptroller's Office has indicated that they're asking the newly elected and newly appointed legislators to review their payroll and personnel files today between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in Room 122B of the State Capitol. Apparently there's a final review and a signature's required to complete your payroll file. So, that's today in Room 122B of the State Capitol. And of course, the Office of the Secretary of State has, I think, given everyone a letter indicating that you can pick up your license plates today in Room 118 of the Statehouse from 8:30 to 2:30 p.m. And also, Mr. President, it's come to my attention that our newly elected Member, Senator John Sullivan, is -- is having a birthday today. I don't know where he's -- where he's sitting, however. Happy birthday to -- to John. Well, Mr. President, I don't know where Sullivan's cake is. You'll have to go over and ask Senator Sullivan. Maybe he's got it in his office. If there's only two or three pieces, we may have a heck of a time trying to divide it up, but happy birthday.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Sieben, what -- what point do you rise?

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you very much. I'd like to rise to invite the Members of the Senate now to join and participate in the future in the Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus. For many years, Representative Brunsvold in the House and myself, and before me, Bob Madigan here in the Senate, have cochaired the Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus. It's a bipartisan group organization which

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promotes the interests of hunters and fishermen and sportsmen and trappers in the State of Illinois. A onetime membership fee of twenty-five dollars. And we have an annual auction in March to raise money that we donate to the Conservation Foundation. So those of you who are inclined who are not currently members - many of you are - I would invite you to see me, if you have an interest. We'll be looking for some new members of the Executive Committee of the Sportsmen's Caucus. So I'd appreciate those of you who are now new Members of the Senate, if you'd like to become members of the Sportsmen's Caucus, please see me and we would be glad to accept your contribution of twenty-five dollars to become a member. Thank you.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution No. 7, offered by Senator Bomke and all Members.

And Senator -- Senate Resolution No. 8, offered by Senator Emil Jones and all Members.

They are both death resolutions.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Burzynski, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. For purposes of announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

State your point.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. At the conclusion of our business today, upon adjournment, there will be a Republican Caucus upon adjournment today. Thank you.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Consent Calendar. The last resolution read in needed to be sent to the Consent Calendar. We're holding for a moment for the printing of the Consent Calendar. Senator Demuzio, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. Also another announcement for the Members of the Majority Caucus. We will be meeting immediately upon adjournment in Room 400 for the purpose of selecting our



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offices and, I assume, our seating arrangement on the -- on the Floor, as well. So, immediately upon adjournment. Now, you got that, Lou? Immediately upon adjournment, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Madam Secretary, have there been any objections?

SECRETARY HAWKER:

There have been no objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Is there any -- any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor, say Yea. All opposed, No. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. The resolutions are adopted. Resolutions. Senator Demuzio. Wait, Senator.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1, offered by Senator Demuzio.

(Secretary reads SJR No. 1)

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Demuzio moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration of Senate Joint Resolution No. 1. All those in favor, say Aye. All those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended for immediate consideration and adoption of resolution. Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Well, thank you, Mr. President. This is, indeed, the adjournment resolution that we just passed {sic}. It asks that we return on February the 4th at the hour 2003 {sic}. If you'll look at your Senate schedule, you will see that there are perfunctory days that also have been scheduled by the Senate. Those are days that you are not required to be here. And I think when you get into your respective meetings and talk to staff about when you are expected and when you're not expected, February 4th is when we all come back in person on the Floor of the Senate. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT JONES:

Senator Demuzio moves to adopt Senate Joint Resolution No. 1. All those in favor, say Aye. All those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The resolution is -- is adopted. Is there any

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further business to be -- come before the Senate? If not, then pursuant to the adjournment resolution, Senator Demuzio moves the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of 12, Tuesday, February the 4th.