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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The Senate will please come to order. Will the Members be at their desks? And will the guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Senator Ed Maloney.

SENATOR ED MALONEY:

(Prayer by Senator Ed Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Amen. Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Raoul.

SENATOR RAOUL:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Raoul)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Madam Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have a letter dated July 6, 2007.

Dear Secretary Shipley - Enclosed please find copies of Proclamation No. 2007-230 and 2007-231, filed in my office on July 6, 2007, by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, calling for a Special Session of the 95th General Assembly, to begin at 2 p.m. on July 7th, 2007, and 2 p.m. on July 8th, 2007, respectfully -- respectively. A -- a notice and accompanying Proclamations have been mailed today to each Member's Springfield office.

Sincerely, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 2007-231)

I have a letter dated July 7, 2007.

Dear Secretary Shipley - Enclosed please find a copy of Proclamation No. 2007-233, filed in my office on July 7, 2007, by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, to revoke, rescind and annul the calling of Special Session of the 95th General Assembly that was

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to begin at 2 p.m. on July 8th, 2007, and also a copy of Proclamation No. 2007-234, calling for a Special Session to begin at 4 p.m. on July 8th, 2007. A notice and accompanying Proclamations have been delivered today to each Member's Springfield office.

Sincerely, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 2007-233)

A second proclamation:

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 2007-234)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The Senate of the 95th General Assembly is assembled in its Fifth Special Session. Under the practice of this Body since the 88th General Assembly, the rules adopted by the 95th General Assembly and its officers and committees are in effect for the continuous period of the 95th General Assembly, including Special Session. There are three organizational resolutions that will be adopted today. These resolutions inform the House that the Senate is ready to conduct business, create a Senate Committee of five to wait upon the Governor and create a Senate Committee of three people who approve the Journals for the Senate for all the days of the Special Session. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 1, Fifth Special Session, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads SR No. 1)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Clayborne moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution 1. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are

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suspended. Senator Clayborne now moves for the adoption of Senate Resolution 1. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 2, Fifth Special Session, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads SR No. 2)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Clayborne moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution 2. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. And the rules are suspended. Senator Clayborne now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 2. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the -- resolution is adopted. Journal-Register seeks leave to photograph the proceedings. If leave is -- no objection, leave is granted. Leave is granted. WAND-TV wishes to videotape the proceedings. If there's no objection, leave is granted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 3, Fifth Special Session, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads SR No. 3)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Clayborne moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution 3. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the -- the rules are suspended. Senator Clayborne now moves for the adoption of Senate Resolution 3. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay.

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The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Fifth Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned until 12:25 on Tuesday, July 10th, 2007. The Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned.