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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The Special Session of the 95th General Assembly will please come to order. The Senate will come to order. The Thirteenth Special Session of the 95th 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 Senator Clayborne. Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you.

(Prayer by Senator James Clayborne)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Clayborne)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Madam Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have a letter dated August 10th, 2007.

Dear Secretary Shipley - Enclosed please find copies of Proclamations 2007-264 and 2007-265, filed in my office on August 10th, 2007, by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, calling for a Special Session of the 95th General Assembly, to begin at 9 a.m. on August 11th, 2007, and 5 p.m. on August 12th, 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. 2007-264)

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The Senate of the 95th General Assembly is assembled in its Thirteenth 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 any Special Session. Senator Brady.

SENATOR BRADY:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's good to see you in the Chair. I simply wanted to compliment you on preserving those downstate values. I think you have started the General Assembly as more on time than any other Member in the Chair. And obviously your leadership has -- has proven to have a robust engagement of all the Members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Brady. Appreciate your comments. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Thirteenth Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned until Monday, August the 13th, at 2:13. The Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned.