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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Buckner in the chair.

Prayer by Assistant Doorkeeper of the House Wayne Padget.

Representative Kelly led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

105 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Ammons, Andrade, Guerrero-Cuellar, Ladisch Douglass, Meyers-Martin and Yednock were excused from attendance.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Lilly replaced Representative Gordon-Booth in the Committee on Rules on March 12, 2024.

Representative Morgan replaced Representative Manley in the Committee on Rules on March 12, 2024.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Gabel, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on March 12, 2024, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Adoption & Child Welfare: HOUSE BILLS 4290, 5036, 5097 and 5175; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4407, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4524, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5041 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5638.

Agriculture & Conservation: Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4237 and Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4782.

Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education: HOUSE BILLS 3497 and 4006.

Appropriations-General Services: HOUSE BILLS 4029, 4471 and 5198.

Appropriations-Health & Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 3496, 4707, 4824, 5415 and 5458.

Appropriations-Higher Education: HOUSE BILLS 4731 and 5665.

Appropriations-Public Safety: HOUSE BILLS 4123, 5204, 5636 and 5650.

Child Care Accessibility & Early Childhood Education: Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4491, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5024 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5451.

Cities & Villages: HOUSE BILL 5529.

Consumer Protection: HOUSE BILL 1242; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4629.

Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, & IT: HOUSE BILLS 3385, 3626, 4705, 4836 and 5639.

Economic Opportunity & Equity: HOUSE BILL 4636; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4566 and Committee Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 4595.

Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools: HOUSE BILL 5455; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4622, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4903 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4955.

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies: HOUSE BILLS 4319, 5250, 5400 and 5501; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4175, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4417, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5406 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5434.

Energy & Environment: HOUSE BILLS 1463, 3673, 4037, 4205, 4702, 5315, 5348 and 5421; Floor Amendments Numbered 1 and 2 to HOUSE BILL 4804 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5315.

Ethics & Elections: HOUSE BILLS 2943, 4368, 4892, 4944, 5195 and 5223; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4668.

Executive: HOUSE BILLS 3325, 3625, 4571, 4593, 4880, 5228, 5322, 5504, 5531 and 5608; Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1672, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4402, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4494, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4715, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4802, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5038, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5153, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5179, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5181 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5601.

Financial Institutions and Licensing: HOUSE BILLS 5167, 5503 and 5587; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5231 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5538.

Gaming: HOUSE BILLS 5092 and 5499; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5307 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5367.

Health Care Availability & Accessibility: Committee Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 4472 and Committee Amendments Numbered 1 and 2 to HOUSE BILL 5142.

Health Care Licenses: HOUSE BILLS 1572, 2912, 3437 and 5505; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5135.

Higher Education: HOUSE BILLS 5268, 5399 and 5568; HOUSE RESOLUTION 596; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4253 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5292.

Housing: HOUSE BILLS 4206, 4703 and 5584.

Human Services: HOUSE BILLS 4261, 5252, 5410, 5506 and 5553; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4338, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4364, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4867, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5354, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5373 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5395.

Immigration & Human Rights: HOUSE RESOLUTION 628; House Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5371.

Insurance: HOUSE BILLS 4830, 5258, 5317 and 5518; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4180, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4367, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4504, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5103, Committee Amendments Numbered 1 and 2 to HOUSE BILL 5383 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5493.

Judiciary - Civil: HOUSE BILLS 3320, 4093, 4869, 4973, 5023, 5056, 5164, 5165, 5291, 5321, 5454, 5502, 5507, 5523, 5589, 5591, 5594 and 5649; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4163, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4351, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4505, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4762, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4875, Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4884 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4916.

Judiciary - Criminal: HOUSE BILLS 1134, 3791, 3901, 4011, 4604, 4726, 4828, 5070, 5285, 5346, 5465, 5466, 5470, 5487, 5534, 5579, 5593, 5595 and 5651; Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1881, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4589, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5178 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5368.

Labor & Commerce: HOUSE BILLS 4783, 4825, 5079, 5098, 5551 and 5570; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5009, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5147 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5294.

Personnel & Pensions: HOUSE BILLS 4784 and 5448; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4873.

Police & Fire: HOUSE BILL 5133; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5377.

Public Health: HOUSE BILL 4615; HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 552 and 613; Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1879 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5151.

Public Utilities: HOUSE BILLS 4518 and 5760; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5544.

Restorative Justice: HOUSE BILLS 4829, 4845 and 5527; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4409.

Revenue & Finance: HOUSE BILLS 2594, 3683, 3797, 4204, 4405, 4600, 4790, 4974, 5136, 5193, 5194, 5412, 5423, 5471, 5516, 5577, 5578 and 5637; HOUSE RESOLUTION 24; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 1287, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4636 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4736.

Small Business, Tech Innovation, and Entrepreneurship: HOUSE BILL 5621.

State Government Administration: HOUSE BILLS 1435, 3419, 4207, 4439, 4719, 5014, 5257, 5349, 5479 and 5576; SENATE BILL 856; HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 616 and 639; Committee Amendment No. 2 to HOUSE BILL 4418, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4815 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4908; Committee Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 381.

Transportation: Regulations, Roads & Bridges: HOUSE BILLS 5138, 5277 and 5422; HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 438 and 538.

Transportation: Vehicles & Safety: HOUSE BILL 4592; Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4169, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4170, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4371, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4493, Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5288 and Committee Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 5491.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES REASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

HOUSE BILL 3507 was recalled from the Committee on Consumer Protection and reassigned to the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE BILL 4597 was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations-General Services and reassigned to the Committee on Appropriations-Higher Education.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the Floor Amendment be reported "recommends be adopted":

Floor Amendment No. 3 to HOUSE BILL 4112.

Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE BILL 4282.

Floor Amendment No. 1 to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 50.

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and placed on the order of Second Reading -- Short Debate: HOUSE BILL 569.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure(s) is as follows:

5, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Gabel(D), Chairperson

Y Lilly(D)(replacing Gordon-Booth)

Y Spain(R)

Y Hammond(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Morgan(D)(replacing Manley)

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 645

Offered by Representative Sanalidro:

Honors the memory of Henry Cullen "Tony" Bryant Jr.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 648

Offered by Representative Scherer:

Congratulates the YMCA of Springfield (Springfield Y) on its 150th anniversary. Thanks the organization for its dedication to serving the City of Springfield. Wishes its staff and volunteers continued success in the years to come.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION 651

Offered by Representative Ford:

Congratulates Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, Inc. on 49 years of advocating for economic inclusion and working to close the racial wealth gap through homeownership, and wishes them many more successful years.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 62

Offered by Representative McCombie:

Mourns the death of Daniel L. "Dan" Goodwin.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 645, 648 and 651 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Gabel moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

At the hour of 1:13 o'clock p.m., Representative Gabel moved that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

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HOUSE ROLL CALL
QUORUM ROLL CALL

March 12, 2024

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

105 PRESENT

E Ammons	P Friess	P La Ha	P Schmidt
E Andrade	P Fritts	E Ladisch Douglass	P Schweizer
P Avelar	P Gabel	P LaPointe	P Severin
P Benton	P Gill	P Lilly	A Slaughter
P Blair-Sherlock	P Gong-Gershowitz	A Mah	P Smith
P Buckner	A Gonzalez	P Manley	P Sosnowski
P Bunting	P Gordon-Booth	P Mason	P Spain
P Burke	P Grant	P Mayfield	P Stava-Murray
P Cabello	E Guerrero-Cuellar	P McCombie	P Stephens
P Canty	P Guzzardi	P McLaughlin	P Stuart
P Cassidy	P Haas	P Meier	P Swanson
P Caulkins	P Halbrook	E Meyers-Martin	P Syed
P Chung	P Hammond	P Miller	P Tarver
P Coffey	P Hanson	P Moeller	P Tipsword
P Costa Howard	P Harper	P Morgan	P Ugaste
P Crespo	P Hauter	P Morris	P Vella
P Croke	P Hernandez, Barbara	A Moylan	P Walker
P Davidsmeyer	P Hernandez, Lisa	P Mussman	P Walsh
P Davis, Jed	P Hernandez, Norma	P Ness	P Weaver
P Davis, Will	P Hirschauer	P Nichols	P Weber
P Delgado	P Hoffman	P Niemerg	P West
P DeLuca	P Huynh	P Olickal	P Wilhour
P Didech	P Jacobs	P Ortiz	P Williams, Ann
A Du Buclet	A Jiménez	P Ozinga	P Williams, Jawaharial
P Elik	P Johnson	P Rashid	P Windhorst
P Evans	P Jones	P Reick	P Yang Rohr
P Faver Dias	P Katz Muhl	P Rita	E Yednock
A Flowers	P Keicher	P Rosenthal	P Mr. Speaker
P Ford	P Kelly	P Sanalidro	
P Frese	P Kifowit	P Scherer	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

76TH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Perfunctory Session

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

At the hour of 1:26 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 646

Offered by Representative Benton:

WHEREAS, Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) is an organization dedicated to helping girls of all backgrounds and abilities discover their full potential, find lifelong friends, develop leadership skills and new talents, and make the world a better place through a wide variety of enriching experiences, including field trips, skill-building sports clinics, community service projects, cultural exchanges, and environmental stewardships; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA was founded by Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low in Savannah, Georgia on March 16, 1912, when the first Girl Scout troop was established and consisted of 18 girls who all shared a sense of curiosity and a belief that they could do anything; at a time in United States history when women could not yet vote and were expected to adhere to strict social norms, such an organization encouraging girls to embrace their unique strengths and create their own opportunities was game-changing and quickly spread across the country and around the globe; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA troops are led by troop leaders, a registered Girl Scout adult volunteer who meets regularly with their troop to help members achieve the purposes of the organization, building girls of courage, confidence, and character, and these troops are further led with the assistance of other volunteers, mentors, and alumnae; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA consists of six membership ranks across various age levels, and these include Daisies for Kindergartners and first graders, Brownies for second and third graders, Juniors for fourth and fifth graders, Cadettes for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders, Seniors for ninth and tenth graders, and Ambassadors for eleventh and twelfth graders; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA members contribute to their local communities through programs and service projects, and countless alumnae have become capable leaders in their respective communities and career fields, such as the arts, education, science and technology, and state and federal governments; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA continues to promote experiences in the great outdoors while evolving to meet members' needs in this advanced technological age; to do so, the organization has expanded programming to include more STEM subjects, including robotics and space science badges, launched Digital Cookie, through which Girl Scout Cookies were made available for sale online starting in 2014, and partnered with Google for Made with Code, a program encouraging girls to get an early start in computer science; and

WHEREAS, In Illinois, GSUSA is represented by tens of thousands of girls across the State and led by five regional councils, the Girls Scouts of Central Illinois, the Girls Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois, the Girls Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana, the Girls Scouts of Northern Illinois, and the Girls Scouts of Southern Illinois; and

WHEREAS, GSUSA will celebrate its 112th birthday on March 12, 2024; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the members and leaders of the Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage the citizens of Illinois to join in appreciation and celebration of the GSUSA for the organization's work on behalf of girls across the State and the country.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 647

Offered by Representative Benton:

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize Joliet Junior College on the occasion of the successful launch of its 12x12x12 dual credit program; and

WHEREAS, Dual credit programs provide students with the opportunity to earn both high school and college credit for the same course that they are taking in high school, saving students over 80% of the cost of taking college courses and improving their chances of succeeding in obtaining a college degree; and

WHEREAS, As the nation's first community college, Joliet Junior College has long stood at the forefront of higher education since its establishment in 1901, expanding from serving just six students to more than 30,000 students today; and

WHEREAS, Joliet Junior College has established itself as a statewide leader in dual credit enrollment through its 12x12x12 dual credit initiative, which was launched in fall 2023; its dual credit program, referenced as 12x12x12 for students earning 12 college credits for \$12 per credit hour by 12th grade, is open to the 23 separate high school districts that fall within the community college's district; and

WHEREAS, Under Joliet Junior College's 12x12x12 dual credit program, a dual credit course of 3 credit hours costs students only \$36, while taking the same course at the community college after graduating high school would normally cost at least \$453, saving students over \$400 per college class; and

WHEREAS, To further break down barriers to education based on socioeconomic status, Joliet Junior College's Board of Trustees unanimously supported a policy that waives dual credit fees for high school students who are enrolled in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP); and

WHEREAS, Joliet Junior College's execution of its 12x12x12 dual credit program has proven positive thus far with a reported 23.9% increase in applicants for fall 2023, representing 1,052 new dual credit students at the community college from the previous fall semester, including a 70% increase in African American student participation, or 210 new students, and a 38% increase in Hispanic student participation, or 277 new students; and

WHEREAS, Through Joliet Junior College's 12x12x12 dual credit program, college administration has expressed hopes to impact thousands of lives by building a strong pathway to education after high school and crafting a collaborative message and vision for the influence education has on the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, In fall 2024, Joliet Junior College will be offering dual credit opportunities to high school students as early as freshman year; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize Joliet Junior College on the successful implementation of its 12x12x12 dual credit program, and we commend the community college for continuing to inspire learning, transform lives, and strengthen communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage community colleges to pursue and implement similar dual credit programs of their own; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to President Dr. Clyne Namuo of Joliet Junior College as an expression of our esteem and respect.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 649

Offered by Representative Blair-Sherlock:

WHEREAS, Across the United States, National Crochet Month is celebrated every year; and

WHEREAS, It is unclear how crocheting traveled to the Americas, but the first documented instances of such knitting come from the Guiana Indians tribe and settlements; and

WHEREAS, As far as appreciation of crochet is concerned, the Crochet Guild of America (C.G.O.A.) was formed in the United States in 1995, and March has been recognized as National Crochet Month since 2005; and

WHEREAS, Some people crochet just for fun, and some make it their source of income; crocheting is a healthy activity that relieves stress and anxiety; and

WHEREAS, Although many people believe crocheting is a women's hobby, a number of men crochet, including Snoop Dogg, Ryan Reynolds, Rosey Grier, Christopher Walken, Donald Glover, and Gold Medalist Tom Daley; and

WHEREAS, Representative Diane Blair-Sherlock's district office has established a co-ed knitting and crochet group called Unraveled that meets three times a month to crochet scarves, hats, and mittens for those in need; together, the group has donated over 600 handmade items to Dupage Pads, the Outreach House, the Illinois Community for Displaced Immigrants, the Islamic Circle of North America, and the Dupage Health Coalition; the evening Unraveled event became so popular that a daytime Unraveled group was added for those who preferred to come during the daylight hours; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare March of 2024 as Crochet Month in the State of Illinois; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we recognize the Unraveled crochet group for their contributions to their community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 650

Offered by Representative McCombie:

WHEREAS, Governor JB Pritzker's proposed FY25 budget includes a disheartening cut of close to \$45 million to the Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (SUPR) in appropriation authority compared to FY24; and

WHEREAS, The proposed reduction includes a decrease of \$15 million in general revenue funds (GRF), including a \$3 million cut to addiction treatment for Medicaid eligible individuals, a \$3 million cut to grants for addiction treatment to the Department of Child and Family Services (DCFS), and a \$9 million cut to addiction treatment service grants; and

WHEREAS, The proposed reduction in FY25 federal funds appropriations for substance abuse disorder treatment totals almost \$33 million, including a reduction of \$22 million for addiction treatment service grants and a \$15 million reduction for addiction treatment, prevention, and related services grants; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Human Services (DHS) has indicated that these reductions are due to excess appropriations authority and that the request fully funds the FY25 estimated liability, a liability that is the same as the FY24 estimated expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Our State is facing unprecedented numbers regarding overdoses, overdose deaths, and those living with addiction; and

WHEREAS, Since 2013, the Illinois Department of Public Health (DPH) has reported a 3,341% increase in synthetic opioid overdose deaths; and

WHEREAS, Synthetic opioids, such as fentanyl, are hundreds to thousands of times more toxic than heroin, and heroin and street drugs are often mixed with fentanyl; and

WHEREAS, In 2022, there were 2.7 times more opioid deaths than car crash deaths and 2.5 times more opioid deaths than homicides; and

WHEREAS, Opioid use disorder is a public health crisis in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's FY25 budget proposal states that the trend in the opioid epidemic "has evolved to an overdose crisis as the illicit drug market continues to change and the residual impacts from COVID-19 linger"; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's FY25 budget proposal states that "At the end of 2019, prior to the pandemic, there were 16,811 opioid related overdoses in Illinois, with 2,219, or 13.2 percent, being fatal"; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's FY25 budget proposal states that "During calendar year 2022, there were 18,547 opioid-related overdoses. That same year, Illinois recorded 3,908 overall overdose deaths with 3,261 associated with any opioid, a staggering 83.4 percent"; and

WHEREAS, The Governor's FY25 budget proposal also states that the "Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (DHS/SUPR) is firmly committed to addressing this issue through prevention, intervention, and treatment"; and

WHEREAS, The above statistics shared by the Governor clearly demonstrate that Illinois is not doing enough to address the opioid epidemic that the residents in the State are facing; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative for the Governor to direct DHS to expand the size and scope of SUPR to mitigate the damage caused by this epidemic; and

WHEREAS, Protecting residents of the State from the opioid crisis and protecting other substance abuse related services should be prioritized over providing any additional funding for migrants or undocumented immigrants coming to Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Unfortunately, the Governor's FY25 proposed budget for SUPR establishes the same level of inadequate treatment provided in FY24, despite what appears to be an upward trend in opioid overdoses and deaths; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Governor JB Pritzker and the Department of Human Services (DHS) to restore the proposed cuts to substance abuse and treatment; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Pritzker and the DHS Secretary Dulce Quintaro.

At the hour of 1:26 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.