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Speaker West: "The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Representative Grasse. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Representative Grasse."

Grasse: "Today's invocation is a little bit of a special one. It's inspired by the voice of Mister Rogers, who was a Presbyterian minister and a champion for children and their healthy development through his TV show, 'Mister Rogers' Neighborhood.' He was born on this day, March 20, and his legacy to care for our children and their healthy development continues to this day. So, in his spirit, let us gather and say good morning to our neighbors here in the General Assembly. As we gather here in this shared space, let us take a quiet moment to remember why we are here: to care for our communities, to listen with kindness, and to serve with integrity. May we see one another not as opponents, but as neighbors, each with a story, each with hopes, each trying to do what we believe is best. May we have the courage to listen to each other deeply, to speak truth with gentleness, and to act with fairness, especially for those who need us most. And let us never forget that real strength is found in kindness and real leadership is measured in love. It's a beautiful day to do this good work with each other. Let us begin and do this important work together. Amen."

Speaker West: "We will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Representative Cassidy."

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Cassidy - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker West: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Gabel is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."

Gabel: "Speaker, let the record show that Representatives Ammons, Hoffman, and Jones are excused today."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Leader Keicher is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle."

Keicher: "Mr. Speaker, what a pleasure to see you on the dais today. Let the record reflect that every Republican House Member is in the chamber today to conduct the people's business."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 115 Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."

Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Scherer, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 2521, House Bill 2651, House Bill 2801, House Bill 2950, House Bill 2970, House Bill 3026, House Bill 3170, House Bill 3250, House Bill 3377, House Bill 3500, House Bill 3743, House Bill 3805; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 2966. Representative Hirschauer, Chairperson from the Committee on Gun Violence

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Prevention reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1316. Representative Barbara Hernandez, Chairperson from the Committee on Immigration & Human Rights reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 1929 and House Bill 3582. Representative Evans, Chairperson from the Committee on Labor & Commerce reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1054, House Bill 1056, House Bill 2561, House Bill 2757, House Bill 3200, House Bill 3213, House Bill 3249, House Bill 3266, House Bill 3277, House Bill 3309, House Bill 3317, House Bill 3470, House Bill 3541, House Bill 3762, House Bill 3774; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 1058, House Bill 1247, House Bill 1278, House Bill 1778, House Bill 2632, House Bill 3396, and House Bill 3638. Representative Blair-Sherlock, Chairperson from the Committee on State Government Administration reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1341, House Bill 2519, House Bill 2692, House Bill 2693, House Bill 2747, House Bill 2771, House Bill 2949, House Bill 3095, House Bill 3773, House Bill 3790; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 2396, House Bill 2783, House Bill 2853, House Bill 3751. Representative Didech, Chairperson from the Committee on Gaming reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3729; and recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2947. Representative Stuart, Chairperson from the Committee on Higher Education reports the following committee

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action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 2806, House Bill 3011, House Bill 3385, House Bill 3511, House Bill 3522, House Bill 3528, House Bill 3689; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 3300, House Bill 3709. Representative Jawaharial Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on Prescription Drug Affordability reports the following committee action taken on March 19, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3454. Representative Kelly, Chairperson from the Committee on Police & Fire reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 2336, House Bill 2551, House Bill 2977, House Bill 3255, House Bill 3781; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 3140 and House Bill 3652. Representative Tarver, Chairperson from the Committee on Revenue & Finance reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1061, House Bill 1074, House Bill 1176, House Bill 1440, House Bill 1458, House Bill 1625, House Bill 1772, House Bill 1824, House Bill 1867, House Bill 1885, House Bill 2344, House Bill 2382, House Bill 2393, House Bill 2767, House Bill 2772, House Bill 2903, House Bill 3368, House Bill 3421, and House Bill 3550; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 1819, House Bill 1919, House Bill 2531, and House Bill 3068. Representative Stava-Murray, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Health reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1301, House Bill 1910, House Bill 2589, House Bill 3075, House Bill 3272, House Bill 3286, House Bill 3409, House Bill 3645; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 1600, House Bill

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3027, and House Bill 3408. Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, Chairperson from the Committee on Small Business, Tech Innovation reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3540 and House Bill 3655. Representative Cassidy, Chairperson from the Committee on Public... Restorative Justice & Public Safety reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1302, House Bill 3332, House Bill 3441, House Bill 3462, House Bill 3496, and House Bill 3662. Representative Mason, Chairperson from the Committee on Child Care Access & Early Childhood Education reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 1251, House Bill 3444, House Bill 3446, House Bill 3772; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 3268, House Bill 3327, House Bill 3439, and House Bill 3618. Representative Ortiz, Chairperson from the Committee on Counties & Townships reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 2458, House Bill 2784, House Bill 2893, House Bill 3843; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 1831 and House Bill 3842. Representative LaPointe, Chairperson from the Committee on Mental Health & Addiction reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3487, House Bill 3697; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 3440. Representative Yang Rohr, Chairperson from the Committee on Personnel & Pensions reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 2358, House Bill 2705, House Bill 3193, House Bill 3194, House

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Bill 3657, and House Bill 3659. Representative González, Chairperson from Committee on Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, & IT reports the following committee action taken on March 20, 2025: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 3646, House Bill 3851; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 3506."

Speaker West: "Leader Buckner, for what reason do you rise?"

Buckner: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Buckner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Colleagues, I rise today not in opposition, but in observation. I heard a bill presented yesterday in committee, HB2806. This bill offers scholarships to young women pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, and math at Illinois public universities. Fitting for Women's History Month. It's a good bill. It opens doors. It helps close gaps in fields where women have been historically underrepresented and underestimated. Let's also call this bill what it is: it's diversity, it's equity, and it's inclusion. And it was filed by the house GOP. It is, by its very definition, DEI. The same DEI that many in this chamber and many of our Republican colleagues have spent the last year criticizing, undermining, and trying to roll back. The same DEI that President Trump has attacked with executive orders, stripping away workplace protections, dismantling inclusion programs, and trying to take this country backwards, backwards to a time when opportunity was reserved just for a few. But here in this body, I was heartened to see that my Republican friends filed a bill... filed a bill that does exactly the opposite. This bill will use public dollars to help young women who have been historically shut out of

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STEM fields to get access to opportunity. That is not political theater, my friends. That is equity in action. With this new revelation of GOP support for DEI, I looked through some bills last night to see if I could find more. And I realized quickly that HB2806 isn't the only GOP DEI bill. HB2541 recognizes an underserved disability community and addresses a gap in disability inclusion. HB1729 supports career path equity by expanding access to technical training, scholarships, and removing financial barriers for diverse or disadvantaged youth. SB23... 238 expands economic inclusion by addressing veterans to... by... I'm sorry, adding veterans to Illinois' minority business enterprise law. Let's be honest, you do believe in DEI. You believe in excellence and equity. You believe in lifting up people who have been historically left behind, and I'm glad that we agree on that. Now, for me, this bill, 2806, isn't just about policy, it's personal. I don't have any daughters, but I did grow up with four sisters, and two of them earned college scholarships in science fields. I saw firsthand what happens when opportunity meets talent and when systems help people rise instead of holding them back. And I'm proud to say that I went to Morgan Park High School on the South Side of Chicago, where Leader Evans was my classmate, the alma mater of Dr. Mae Jemison, the first Black woman to travel into outer space, a rocket scientist from my neighborhood, from my school, and from the streets that I walked. She graduated from high school at 16 years old. And in 1973, she had to leave home to attend Stanford University because that's where her opportunity was. But imagine if programs like the one imagined in HB2806 existed

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back then. Maybe she could have stayed here, maybe she could have gone to the University of Illinois, maybe the path to the stars could have started with state-funded support for her brilliance right here at home. This is why this matters, in theory and in practice. So, yes, I support this Republican DEI bill, and I'm hopeful that this moment means we're ready to work together. Not just for women in STEM, but for veterans in the workplace and for Black, Latino, and Asian Illinoisans trying to enter industries and institutions that have historically shut them out. Because real equity is not selective. It doesn't stop when it's politically convenient. It lives in principle. And if we're serious about building a stronger Illinois for everyone, that should be our starting point, not our exception. Now that we're on the same team, I look forward to hearing more of my Republican colleagues push back against their national party and the Trump DEI attack. I'm glad to know that, henceforth, they will be standing with us to push back against the clumsy, chaotic, and callous actions of the Trump administration on DEI. It's proof that when it comes to opportunity and fairness, we can find common ground, even in uncommon times. Let's work together. Let's make diversity real again. Let's make equity work again. And let's make inclusion great again. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Leader McCombie, for what reason do you rise?"

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. In response to Leader Buckner. So thankful for you supporting HB2806, but I'm sorry that you've been misled in what the bill does, because as I stated in committee yesterday, that the bill is going to be redrafted

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with an amendment. But that being said, I'm glad to hear that you support the MAGA movement in making things great again. And I'm glad to hear that you want to support Republican bills because we're standing right now at about only 11% of bills being called on the Republican side of the aisle. And although we only have 40 Members, that's a third, a third of this General Assembly. So, when we're talking about equity and in fairness, having only 11% of our bills called is not equitable or fair for the people of Illinois. So, I'm glad that you would all like to do that. We certainly have earned our bills to be called. We got here all the same way that you did. Our bills that you mentioned, the three of them here on our side of the aisle, is not to give away. It is to promote qualified... it's to earn our way. We don't want anything for free on our side of the aisle. We can do this all the way until May 31, every day, all day. Our side, we are ready. We can play these games. You can talk about Trump. You can talk about whatever you want. We're in. I think we have better things to do here. We can also turn it up, and I know you guys can too. I don't think... I don't think it's what we want to do. I don't think it's what the people of Illinois deserve. But if we want to start changing the rules on decorum and start calling out names by Rep. by Rep. and by community by community, we're ready. Let's go."

Speaker West: "Representative Costa Howard, for what reason do you rise?"

Costa Howard: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker West: "State your point."

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Costa Howard: "Thank you. Well, I have a page for the day. His name is Charlie Munn (sic-Johnson). He's a fifth grader in my district, and he loves history. And today, he said it's like being at Disney World because he has the opportunity to be a part of what we are supposed to do each and every day. He has recently qualified for the National and International History Bee, but he's also here today to talk about the environment. He is a big environmental advocate in our district. And so, today I want to welcome him to Springfield. I want us to put on our best Springfield face and remind kids that we care about them and we want them to see how government and democracy work on a daily basis. Thank you."

Speaker West: "Welcome to your Capitol. Leader Davidsmeyer, for what reason do you rise?"

Davidsmeyer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker West: "State your point, sir."

Davidsmeyer: "I would like to welcome a school group of sixth, seventh, and eighth graders from Greenfield, who are right behind me. If they could stand up for me. They are accompanied by Kristen Vetter and Tiffany White as their teachers. And we've got Alia Hilderbrand, who's a sixth grader. We've got Robby Edwards, who's a sixth grader. We've got Savannah Cole, a seventh grader; Blake Barbel in eighth grade; and Akayla Smith in eighth grade. If we can give them a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker West: "Welcome to your Capitol. Representative Swanson, for what reason do you rise?"

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

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Speaker West: "State your point, sir."

Swanson: "Thank you. I've heard another State Representative talk about her college team being the first appearance in the NCAA tournament. Well, as a graduate of Western Illinois University, I'm very proud of our Western Illinois University women's basketball team 'cause they're going to have their first appearance in the NIT. They play tonight at 6 p.m. on their home court. And as a reminder, the NIT is the older of the tournaments. Thank you."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Representative Mason, for what reason do you rise?"

Mason: "Thank you so much. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Mason: "Thank you. I just want to echo Chair Swanson's greetings, comments, congratulations, congratulations.. it is deadline week... to the WIU women's basketball team. I am a proud momma of a Leatherneck, and I know my son is cheering them on, and I am cheering them on. And go Leathernecks. Thanks."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Representative Niemerg, for what reason do you rise?"

Niemerg: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Niemerg: "Folks, with us in the gallery, I'd like to welcome the Georgas family down here to Springfield. It's their first time here in Springfield. We have Greg. We have Nicole. We have Lisa. We have Gwyneth. We have Kathleen. Kate, so brave, thank you. And we have Nicholas, Nick. Thank you for coming. I hope you're enjoying Springfield. Thank you for your courage and your bravery. God bless."

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Speaker West: "Welcome to your Capitol. Leader Gordon-Booth, for what reason do you rise? Representative Swanson, for what reason do you rise?"

Swanson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a women... woman of the history for the month. Okay? Thank you. I want to recognize Mary Ann Ball. She was born July 19, 1817. When Mary Ann was just 16, she moved to Oberlin, Ohio and enrolled at Oberlin College. One of the few institutions of higher education open to women at that time in the United States, but did not graduate. She worked as a nurse and assisted doctors at Cincinnati during the cholera epidemic. In 1847, Mary Ann married Robert Bickerdyke, a sign painter and musician who was a widower with three children, and they had two boys of their own. The couple moved to Galesburg, Illinois. Growing up on a farm, Mary Ann had the opportunity to learn about herbs and how to use them to make medicine, and she began using her botanical medicines to cure... to care for the sick in order to earn a living. Her study of botanical medicine, which stressed the benefits of clean water, inhaling steam, wet compressors, herbal teas, healthy soups, and nature's water, and fruits and vegetables, and above all cleanliness, is credited with saving more lives than inept physicians. At the outbreak of the Civil War, members of the Brick Congregational Church in Galesburg, Illinois listened as a visiting pastor, the Reverend Doctor Edward Beecher, read a letter from a volunteer doctor stationed with the Union Army in Cairo, Illinois. The doctor, a Galesburg neighbor... native, complained about the deplorable conditions of the camp and hospitals. The congregation responded with pledges of money

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and supplies to be used for their boys. A trustworthy, efficient volunteer who would be acceptable to the military was needed to deliver the supplies. Mary Ann, a 44-year-old widow with two young children, volunteered. Seeing the horrific conditions, Bickerdyke stormed through camp like a whirlwind, cleaning and sanitizing tents, setting up field kitchens and introducing army laundries. When she found a sick and wounded soldier bedded on filthy straw and fetid tent, she had fresh straw spread and provided clean water and air. She had barrels cut in half so the men could bathe and dress into clean clothes sent by the congregation. After transforming the camp at Cairo, Bickerdyke felt compelled to remain, realizing the work had just begun. She became hospital matron when a general hospital was organized there in November 1861 and spent the remainder of the war traveling with various Union armies. Her patients, the enlisted soldiers, referred to her as Mother Bickerdyke because of her caring nature. When a surgeon questioned her authority to take some action, she replied, 'On the authority of Lord God Almighty. Have you anything that outranks that?' For the next four years, Mother Bickerdyke continued her untiring efforts, following the armies of the western theater, led by General Logan, Sherman, and Grant. She established more than 300 field hospitals to assist sick and wounded soldiers and set up cooking and laundry operations at all hospitals. From battle to battle, mother fought continuously for the personal welfare of her boys. She was given a pass for free transportation and followed Grant's army down the Mississippi River, setting up hospitals as they were needed and later accompanying the

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forces on their march through Georgia to the sea. During the battle, she would risk her own life by searching for wounded soldiers. Most times, it was after darkness. During the war, she became the chief of nursing under the command of General Grant and served at the Battle of Vicksburg. Bickerdyke continued to help Northern veterans. She provided legal assistance to veterans seeking pensions from the federal government and helped secure pensions for more than 300 Civil War nurses. On March 21, Mother Bickerdyke felt that her work for the Army was done, and she resigned. During holidays in 1899, she went to visit relatives, and on Thanksgiving Day, there was a huge family reunion. She went home around Christmastime, but had caught a cold she couldn't shake. The following year, in early November, Mary Ann had a stroke. She passed away peacefully on November 8, 1901 in Kansas. Her remains were transported back to Galesburg, Illinois, where she was buried next to her husband. I had the honor a few years ago to recognize and being a part of the dedication ceremony for the Mother Bickerdyke statue that stands in front of our courthouse in Knox County, Illinois. Thank you, Mother Bickerdyke."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Leader Gordon-Booth, for what reason do you rise?"

Gordon-Booth: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A moment of personal privilege, please."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Gordon-Booth: "I have some phenomenal constituents in the gallery. We are joined today by the president of the Peoria Chamber of Commerce. Her name is Jessica Linder Gallo. She, again, is

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the president-CEO of the Peoria Chamber of Commerce. She is also joined by someone who I have known most of his life. His name is Alex Sierra. He is the vice president of the Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce. Going all the way back to his years in high school, I used to call him the mayor of Manual High School because he has been a leader all of his life. I wanted to also recognize Vaibhav Shah, who was director of external affairs. All hailing from Central Illinois, my hometown, their hometown, the City of Peoria. So, thank you for being here today in your Capitol. Please give them a warm General Assembly round of applause."

Speaker West: "Welcome to your Capitol. Proceeding to the Order of House Bills on Second Reading, we have House Bill 57, Representative Meier. Representative Meier. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 57, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments have been approved for consideration. And no motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 1082, Representative Johnson. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1082, a Bill for an Act concerning local... local government. This bill was read a second time previously. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative Johnson, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker West: "Representative Johnson to explain the amendment."

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Johnson: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment changes the effective date to January of '27 as opposed to January of '26."

Speaker West: "Representative Johnson moves adoption of Floor Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 1083, Representative Didech. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1083, a Bill for an Act concerning property. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #3, offered by Representative Didech, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker West: "Representative Didech to explain the amendment."

Didech: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment just fixes drafting errors. It's no substantive change to the bill. I ask for its adoption."

Speaker West: "Representative Didech moves adoption of Floor Amendment #3. All those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr... Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 1225, Representative Slaughter. Representative Slaughter. House Bill 1225. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1225, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill.

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Amendments 1 and 2 were adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 1711, Representative Didech. Out of the record. House Bill 1882, Representative Kifowit. Rep... Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2394, Representative Benton. Representative Benton. House Bill 2394, Representative Benton. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2394, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 2547, Representative Kifowit. Clerk... or, out of the record. House Bill 2667, Leader Spain. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2667, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 2714, Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2726, Representative Moeller. Representative Moeller. Out of the record. House Bill 2777, Representative Kifowit. Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2836, Representative Kifowit. Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2983, Representative Vella. Mr. Clerk, read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2983, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker West: "Third Reading. House Bill 3098, Representative Olickal. Representative Olickal. Out of the record. Representative Gill, for what reason do you rise?"

Gill: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Gill: "Did I... sorry. As we continue to recognize Women's History Month, today I want to take a moment to recognize and thank Women in Trades. Many of you have... may have had the opportunity a couple weeks ago to meet some of these amazing women. I was so impressed speaking to them and hearing their stories. I've also had the pleasure of touring the Women in Trades' apprenticeship facility in Chicago. It was so inspiring to see and hear from women apprentices. Sometimes women, especially in trades, can face unique barriers. The unions do a great job recruiting women, but we need more. From being the birthplace of the Coalition of Labor Union Women, to being the home of many of our country's leading women leaders at the turn of the century, our state has an incredible labor heritage and a proud tradition of being on the cutting edge... edge of labor rights. To our state's hardworking women who continue to be trailblazers in the trades, thank you for all that you do, and thank you for inspiring the next generation. I want to especially thank my beautiful sister-in-law, Ann Rodriguez, who is Local 399. She works incredibly hard, and she is a rockstar in my mind. Thank you very much."

Speaker West: "Thank you. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting this afternoon, these are all recessed committees: Revenue &

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Finance will meet in Room D-1 at 2 o'clock. Judiciary - Civil will meet in Room 114. Education Policy will meet in Room 122. Judiciary - Criminal will meet in C-1. Insurance will meet in Room 413. Meeting at 4 o'clock is the Executive Committee in Room 122, State Government Administration in C-1, Health Care Licenses in Room 118, Human Services in Room 115, Energy & Environment in Room 114."

Speaker West: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 200, offered by Speaker Welch. House Resolution 201, offered by Representative Spain. House Resolution 202, offered by Representative Costa Howard. House Resolution 203, offered by Representative Tarver. And House Resolution 204, offered by Representative Stuart."

Speaker West: "Leader Gabel moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. Representative Canty, for what reason do you rise?"

Canty: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker West: "State your point."

Canty: "I just want to take a moment to congratulate my brother from another mother, Maurice West, the Representative from Rockford, for his first time in the Chair. Well done, sir."

Speaker West: "I am officially blushing. Thank you. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the clerk, Leader Gabel moves that the House stand adjourned to the call of the chair. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay.' In the

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opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."