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Speaker González: "The House will be in order. The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Rabbi Mendy Turen. Rabbi Turen is with Chabad Jewish Center of Springfield in Springfield, Illinois. Rabbi Turen is the guest of Leader McCombie. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Rabbi Turen: "Almighty God, master of the universe, I invoke your blessing today on this honorable body, the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois. May you, almighty God, grant that the Members of this honorable body have the wisdom and courage to embody the universal values of the seven commandments, which you issued to Noah and his family after the great flood. As related in the Book of Genesis, you issued the following seven laws: to worship you and you alone; never to curse your holy name; do not to murder, respect life; not to commit adultery; not to steal, lie, or cheat; do not be cruel to any creature; and that every country govern morally based on the recognition of you, O God, as our Lord and master. When we live in a world where the ugliness and evil and antisemitism once again lifts its ugly head, we must respond yet again by putting a focus on the education of our children. Their education must be infused with the realization that there is a higher power and authority. This type of education is the way to prevent crime and bigotry. Almighty God, I beseech you today to bless the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, its participants, and the entire State of Illinois in the merit of the spiritual

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giant of our time and our country, Melech Ha'Moshiach, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, whom I have the privilege to represent here in Springfield. The Rebbe labored with great love, dedication, and self-sacrifice to make all mankind aware of your sacred presence. May his inspiration be a blessing and shield for our government, state, and country. In recognition of the great support for the land of Israel, almighty God, bless the congressional representatives of the State of Illinois, along with their relatives and dear ones, with success and tranquility all their days. May we experience now the fulfillment of humanity's great future. As proclaimed by the prophet Isaiah: Nations will not lift a sword against nations, neither will they learn war anymore, with the coming of the ultimate redemption through your true Messiah. Amen."

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

Moylan - 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 González: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Guzzardi is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of aisle."

Guzzardi: "Speaker, let the record show that Representatives Ammons, Guerrero-Cuellar, and Jiménez are excused today."

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

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Keicher: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please let the record reflect that Representatives Spain, Sanalidro, and Jed Davis, and David Friess are excused for today."

Speaker González: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 111 Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Representative Stava-Murray, for what reason do you seek recognition? Representative Tarver, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Tarver: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Tarver: "Thank you. I appreciate everyone's attention. I just want to introduce to the body today my newly minted 12-year-old, C.J., who, as somebody mentioned the other day, is a straight-A student. She's on the cross-country track team, and she's on the debate team, which has given her mom the flux. No, this is... this is my heart. You all know I go back every Wednesday to spend time with her. I'm just glad to have her in Springfield today. Thank you all."

Speaker González: "Representative Schweizer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Schweizer: "Yes, I just want to give a couple of shoutouts real quick. So, I don't know if anybody's been paying attention, but there's a small basketball tournament that's been going on. So, as one of the colleagues on the other side of the aisle has reminded us on a weekly basis that Southern Illinois University made its first-ever appearance as a 16 seed in the

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tournament and attempted to become the second number 16 seed to ever beat a 1 seed, but, unfortunately, fell short. So, I really wanted to give a shoutout to head coach Scott Nagy and the players for their accomplishment on making their first-ever tournament. Also, the University of Illinois this year was number 6 seed. And they ended up beating Xavier in the first round, but fell short to Kentucky on Sunday after a valiant fight. So, I want to congratulate Brad Underwood and the players there as well. But the tournament's not just about the men's. There's also a women's tournament going on, and the Fighting Illini women's basketball team made the tournament and actually won their first-ever tournament game in 25... well, their first game in 25 years. So, I really want to give a shoutout to Shauna Green and the players there for their great accomplishment in the victory. And it's not just the four-year college and universities. There's also the NJCAA, the National Junior College Athletic Association. So, the Division II basketball championship has been held in Danville the last couple years. And this year, Parkland, which is a community college in Champaign, ended up making the final... the championship game, but fell one point short against Kirkwood. So, I really want to give a congratulations to John Bowler and the players there for their great accomplishment. And all the players throughout this tournament, you know, they're doing a great job. So, congratulations."

Speaker González: "Representative La Ha, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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La Ha: "Today is National Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day, a time to recognize the strength and individuality of those living with CP. CP is the most common motor disability in childhood, shaping how a person moves, stands, and coordinates their muscles, and every journey with it is very unique. Today is about celebrating the incredible resilience of the CP community and addressing the gaps that make life harder than it should be. We owe it to those with CP to create a world where they can have the same access and opportunities we all have: to learn, to work, to travel, and play. As a parent with a child with CP, I see these struggles up close. Watching my daughter face challenges is heartbreaking, but every little victory fills me with pride and awe. Let's stand in solidarity with the CP community, not for today, but for every day. Together, we can ensure they're met with understanding, support, and respect, not barriers or judgment. Before I close, I have a special message from my very own CP warrior princess, who is watching right now. My beautiful, strong, smart, and sassy Ashlynn Grace, I'm so unbelievably proud of you. Every single day, I thank God that I get to be your mommy. My hope for you is simple: to be happy, to know how special you are, and to feel proud of all of the wonderful ways that you make this world a brighter place. Your family loves you. See you soon, baby girl. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Representative Huynh, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Huynh: "Privilege... point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Huynh: "Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen, today I rise to bring attention to the latest disturbing news to come out, the Trump Department of Defense assault on diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts across the six branches of the military. As the son of a Vietnam War veteran, Trump's executive order to remove the history of our nation's heroes angers me greatly. Last week, Trump, Elon Musk, and Pete Hegseth tried to erase African American history, Native American history, and Asian American history, history that honors some of the most decorated heroes of America's past, to comply with Trump's stupid and racist attacks on our values disguised as war on wokeness. Heroes such as the Harlem Hellfighters, a World War I unit composed of Black men who spent more time in the trenches of Europe than any other American regiment. Or the Navajo Code Talkers, who's Navajo language was critical to developing secret wartime codes during the Second World War that helped propel us to victory. And finally, and finally, the... the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, whose Japanese American service members made up the most decorated American unit of World War II, awarded more than 14,000 Purple Hearts while their American... Asian American counterparts were sent to internment camps across the country. These attempts to erase the public knowledge of these heroes' legacy are dumb, racist, and patently un-American. Un-American. What's also un-American is 80,000 job cuts at the Department of Veteran Affairs, classified information shared on Signal chat this last weekend. This Trump administration is an embarrassment to our country, an embarrassment to our country. Trump is an embarrassment to our country. To Trump, Elon Musk, Pete

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Hegseth, we will continue to fight to preserve our democracy. In the motto of the 442nd, we will risk everything to fight and win for the American people. We will go for broke. Thank you, everyone."

Speaker González: "Representative Buckner, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Buckner: "Point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Buckner: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to take a quick moment out to introduce and welcome my page for the day. He is a new face with a familiar name. Clayton Harris IV is 12 years old. He lives on the South Side of Chicago, and he attends Morgan Park Academy. He plays on the school basketball team, the school chess team, and took second place in the school spelling bee. He is a two-time triathlete and an avid car enthusiast. Clayton IV acknowledges that his father wants him to go to Howard University and pledge Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, but he is planning on going to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he can become a... a mechanical engineer and design the first carbon neutral solar powered perpetual motion vehicle that will shrink the planet and expand the universe. We're proud to have Clayton and his brother here today. And I also want to welcome his mother, Trena, to the Capitol. Welcome to the Capitol, Clayton."

Speaker González: "Representative Will Davis, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Davis, W.: "It's time for my point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Davis, W.: "Thank you very much. Ladies and gentlemen, I am so pleased and honored to have this young man standing next to me today. Ladies and gentlemen, let me introduce you to Anderson Jackson Stigol Harris: 10 years old, lives on the South Side of Chicago, and attends Morgan Park Academy just like brother. He is clearly following in the footsteps of his older brother. I just want you to know his dad wrote this. Anderson didn't write this. He plays on the school basketball team, the chess team, and is a two-time triathlete with a penchant for motorized vehicles. AJ's father wants him to attend Howard University School of Law after the University of Chicago and also pledge Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He's rethinking that a little bit, but I digress. Anderson is known to his class and the school as the Mayor of Morgan Park Academy, as he has never seen a day he didn't like and he has never met a stranger that he wasn't willing to engage. And because of this, AJ will one day negotiate world peace on the floor of the United Nations. So, ladies and gentlemen, while we are acknowledging C4, as I call him, and AJ, let us not also forget their mother, who's joining us in the gallery, Miss... Mrs. Trena Harris, as well the mother of these two fine young men, who will certainly become our next generation of leaders here in the State of Illinois. If they're not solving world peace or creating a more sustainable environment for us, they are doing everything that they are... that we ask our young Black men to do. So, ladies and gentlemen, please give them a round of applause."

Speaker González: "Representative La Ha, for what reason do you seek recognition? Please proceed."

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La Ha: "All right. Today, I would like to introduce my page for the day. This is Caroline Dysart. She is 10 years old, and she's a fourth grader at Forest Road in La Grange, Illinois. She's joined today by her parents that are up in the gallery, Duncan and Leanne. And she absolutely loves horseback riding. So, I just want to give her a big welcome."

Speaker González: "Representative Norma Hernandez, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Hernandez, N.: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Hernandez, N.: "I'd like to recognize our Speaker, Edgar González. This is being his first time behind the podium, Little Village born and raised. [Speaking in Spanish.] We are so proud of you. Congratulations."

Speaker González: "Thank you. Representative Guzzardi, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Guzzardi: "If I can have the body's attention. I know that my colleague, Leader Lisa Hernandez, is going to speak more on this topic when she is next available to. But I wanted to take a brief moment to acknowledge the passing of my former colleague and our dear friend, Representative Cynthia Soto. Mr. Chair. Just a... a brief moment. When I first came to the General Assembly, Representative Soto was one of the people I was nervous to meet. I had... I got here by running against an incumbent legislator who was a friend of Representative Soto. So, I approached her with... with some trepidation, but I quickly learned that I was wrong to feel that way. As she

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did with all of us who knew her, Representative Soto immediately embraced me with her glowing, maternal warmth and kindness, that tenderness that she exuded in every interaction that she had with everyone. She represented an area immediately adjacent to my district, so we shared a lot of constituencies, represented a lot of the same neighborhoods. And I very quickly learned what an impressive person she was, what a respected person she was in our community, and what a kind and loving person that she was. When I was looking for a place to stay down here at my first session, she took me back to that back elevator behind the chamber that I didn't even know existed, took me up to the fifth floor because she knew a staffer in research and appropriations who was also looking for an apartment, and she wanted to make sure that I met him to try and find a place to stay. She was that kind of person who would go out of her way to look out for you. She served in this General Assembly for nine terms from 2000 to 2018. When I met her, she was chair of the Health Care Licenses Committee and shepherded a tremendous amount of important legislation through that committee. And she was the kind of person who you couldn't meet without immediately finding out the love in her heart for her family. She always talked about her family, her kids, her grandkids, and... and her love for her community and her mentorship of another generation of leaders behind her. Since she left this General Assembly, her seat has been represented by my dear friend and colleague, Delia Ramirez, who is now representing us in the United States Congress, and is currently held by Representative Lilian Jiménez, another

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tremendous leader from the community. Representative Soto was born in San Antonio, Texas. She came here to Chicago. She represented the 4th District for 18 years. She had a tremendous legacy of public service, of leadership in the community. She's survived by her husband, David; her daughters, Jennifer, Jacqueline, and Jessica; and her grandchildren, Carlos, Ava, Chloe, Carter, and Harper; as well as many dear friends, colleagues, and those of us who knew her and admired her work. I know Leader Hernandez, who's a dear friend of hers, will have more to say on the topic. I'm sure others in the room may as well. But as she passed last week, and it's been weighing heavy on many of our hearts, I didn't want us to adjourn without taking a moment to acknowledge the passing of Representative Cynthia Soto. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker González: "The body will observe a moment of silence. Thank you. Proceed to the Order of House Bills on Second Reading, page 2, House Bill 79, Representative Haas. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 79, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1108, Representative Meier. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1108, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1234, Representative Mayfield. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1234, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in... in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1245, Representative Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1245, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1331, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1331, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1352, Representative Moore. Out of the record. House Bill 1431, Representative West. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1431, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1461, Representative Hammond. Out of the record. House Bill 1461, Representative Hammond. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1461, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was

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adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1502, Representative Stephens. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1502, 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1505, Representative Rita. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1505, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1575, Representative Evans. Out of the record. Oh... oh. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1575, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1586, Representative González. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1586, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1619, Representative Andrade. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1619, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1648, Representative Stephens. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1648, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1711, Representative Didech. Out... out of the record. House Bill 1712, Representative Grasse. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1712, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1736, Representative Avelar. Representative Avelar. Avelar. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1736, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1754, Representative Swanson. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1754, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1758, Representative Smith. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1758, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speake González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1810, Representative Faver Dias. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1810, a Bill for an Act concerning incarcerated individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1832, Representative Costa Howard. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 1832, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1871, Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 1882, Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2339, Representative McCombie. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2339, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2340, Representative McCombie. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2340, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2351, Representative Hauter. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2351, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2359, Representative Weaver. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2359, 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2361, Representative Haas. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2361, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2362, Representative Weaver. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2362, 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2387, Representative Katz Muhl. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2387, a Bill for an Act concerning health. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2435, Representative Crawford. Out of the record. House Bill 2437, Representative Costa Howard. Out of the record. House Bill 2488, Representative Johnson. Out of the record. House Bill 2506, Representative Kifowit. Out of the record. House Bill 2546, Representative Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2546, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2568, Representative Blair-Sherlock. Representative Blair-Sherlock. Out of the record. House Bill 2574, Representative Scherer. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2574, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2627, Representative Mason. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2627, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments."

Speaker González: "Out of the record."

Clerk Bolin: "No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Out of the record. House Bill 2631, Representative Swanson. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2631, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2634, Representative Rita. Representative Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 2658, Representative Ann Williams. Out of the record. House Bill 2676, Representative Stuart. Out of the record. House Bill 2685, Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2685, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2724, Representative Didech. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2724, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2726, Representative Moeller. Out of the record. House Bill 2755, Representative du Buclet. Mr. Clerk, please the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2755, a Bill for an Act concerning government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2774, Representative Barbara Hernandez. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2774, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2826, Representative Chung. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2826, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2877, Representative Grasse. Representative Grasse. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2877, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2933, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2933, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2961, Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2961, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2968, Representative Costa Howard. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2968, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3087, Representative Moylan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3087, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1

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was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3091, Representative Ness. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3091, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3094, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3094, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3096, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3096, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3097, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3097, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3109, Representative Barbara Hernandez. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3109, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3137, Representative Ness. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3137, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3148, Representative Fritts. Out of the record. House Bill 3163, Representative Andrade. Representative Andrade. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3163, a Bill for an Act concerning human rights. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3164, Representative Buckner. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3164, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3175, Representative Kelly. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3175, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3176, Representative Vella. Out of the record. House Bill 3177, Representative Olickal. Out of the record. House Bill 3178, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3178, a Bill for an Act concerning business. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3185, Representative Will Davis. Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3185, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3190, Representative Rita. Out of the record. House Bill 3214, Representative Moeller. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3214, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3281, Representative Hanson. Out of the record. House Bill 3312, Representative Canty. Out of the record. House Bill 3323, Representative Mayfield. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3323, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3328, Representative Manley. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3328, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3339, Representative Jones. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3339, 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3343, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3343, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3345, Representative Mah. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3345, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3356, Representative Ammons. Out of the record. House Bill 3359, Representative Gong-Gershowitz. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3359, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3360, Representative Chung. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3360, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3370, Representative Mason. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3370, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3388, Representative Swanson. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3388, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No.. no motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3391, Representative Sanalitro. Out of the record. House Bill 3405, Representative Severin. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3405, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3428, Representative Haas. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3428, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3431, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3431, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3433, Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3433, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3435, Representative Manley. Out of the record. House Bill 3438, Representative Andrade. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3438, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3445, Representative Katz Muhl. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3445, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3467, Representative Avelar. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3467, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3477, Representative Avelar. Out of the record. House Bill 3489, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3489, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3490, Representative Mussman. Representative Mussman. Out of the record. House Bill 3510, Representative Vella. Out of the record. House

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Bill 3564, Representative Syed. Out of the record. House Bill 3566, Representative Avelar. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3566, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3609, Representative Ann Williams. Out of the record. House Bill 3616, Representative Guzzardi. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3616, a Bill for an Act concerning Housing. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3639, Representative Hirschauer. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3639, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3650, Representative Lilly. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3650, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3654, Representative Evans. Out of the record. House Bill 3671, Representative Costa Howard. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3671, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3681, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3681, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3683, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3683, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3684, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3684, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3701, Representative Harper. Out of the record. House Bill 3718, Representative Katz Muhl. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3718, a Bill for an Act concerning mental health. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #2 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3769, Representative Morgan. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3769, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3810, Representative Will Davis. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3810, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3849, Representative Grasse. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3849, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2973, Representative Buckner. Out of the record. House Bill 2978, Representative Faver Dias. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 2978, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3039, Representative Yang Rohr. Representative Yang Rohr. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3039, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3046, Representative Chung. Out of the record. House Bill 3050, Representative Mussman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3050, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3067, Representative Harper. Representative Harper. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3067, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3238, Representative Fritts. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 3238, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2952, Representative Lisa Hernandez. Out of the record. Representative Keicher, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Keicher: "Mr. Speaker, a point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Keicher: "So, you know, I... I've been down here since 2018, and we've always had some rules in the House that we've kind of abided by. We're friends on both sides of the aisle when we're out talking on the floor, talking about bills that are important to the people of Illinois. But the volume and the feigned anger that we heard that disrupted decorum today is unlike much that we have seen in years. I completely understand. As a... as a minority party in the State of Illinois where the executive branch is controlled by the other... the

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party, both chambers are controlled by the other party, the Supreme Court is controlled by the other party, I get your frustration. I empathize with your frustration. But what we saw today is unfair to people of the State of Illinois who are frustrated at the indifference to making their lives better. Had Illinois grown at the average rate of the six states around us from 2010 to 2020, we would have an additional 722,000 people working in 451,000 additional jobs. But the consequences haven't allowed that to happen. The irony of control is available for all to see. We hear policies discussed and yelled about on clean energy. Well, this is clean here, not elsewhere. The mining that takes place..."

Speaker González: "Thank you, Leader Keicher."

Keicher: "to get EV..."

Speaker González: "Thank you, Leader Keicher. We got to move on. Representative Swanson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Swanson: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Swanson: "Today is National Medal of Honor Day. The Medal of Honor is a solemn reminder of the extraordinary courage and sacrifice shown by those who have earned our nation's highest distinction. Their unwavering commitment to duty and valor serves as an inspiration to us all. Today, we honor their legacy and commitment to protecting our freedoms. I would like to recognize an Illinois resident who is a recipient of the Medal of Honor, Master Sergeant James... Allen James Lynch. He received the Medal of Honor on the 4th of May from President Nixon, 4 May 1970, and this is what his... this is

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what it says about Sergeant Lynch at that time. 'For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Sgt. Lynch (then Sp4c.) distinguished himself while serving as a radio telephone operator with Company D. While serving in the forward element on an operation... on the operation near the village of My An, his unit became heavily engaged with numerically superior enemy force. Quickly and accurately assessing the situation, Sgt. Lynch provided his commander with information which subsequently provided essential to the unit's successful actions. Observing three wounded comrades lying exposed in enemy fire, Sgt. Lynch dashed across 50 meters of open ground through a withering hail of enemy fire to administer aid. Reconnoitering a nearby trench for a covered position protect the wounded from intense hostile fire, he killed two enemy soldiers at point-blank range. With the trench cleared, he unhesitatingly returned to the fire-swept area three times to carry the wounded men to safety. When his company was forced to withdraw by the superior firepower of the enemy, Sgt. Lynch remained to aid his comrades at the risk of his life rather than abandon them. Alone, he defended his isolated position for two hours against the advancing enemy. Using only his rifle and a grenade, he stopped them just short of his trench, killing five. Again, disregarding his safety in the face of withering hostile fire, he crossed 70 meters of exposed terrain five times to carry his wounded comrades to a more secure area. Once he had assured their comfort and safety, Sgt. Lynch located the counterattacking friendly company to assist in directing the

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attack and evacuating the three casualties. His gallantry at the risk of his life is in the highest traditions of the military service. Sgt. Lynch has reflected great credit on himself, the 12th Cavalry, and the U.S. Army.' So, today I'd like to pay special honor to Allen James Lynch for his military service and his special recognition as a Medal of Honor recipient. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Leader Keicher is recognized for one minute to finish his point."

Keicher: "Mr. Speaker, I think you offered everyone in the room a perfect opportunity to show and demonstrate through action the frustration that I was giving voice to. This chamber is bigger than any of us. The work that the people expect this House to do is more important than any of us. We continue to see debate on matters that we have no impact on while we have unemployed Illinoisans wanting us to do something to make their life better. We need to get to work. The fact that I was cut off is beyond the pale. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Leader McCombie, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

McCombie: "Immediate caucus in Room 118."

Speaker González: "Leader Mah, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Democrats would request a caucus in Room 118 10 minutes after adjournment."

Speaker González: "Room 114, leader?"

Mah: "Yes. Room 114."

Speaker González: "The Democrats will caucus in Room 114 immediately, and the Republicans will caucus in Room 118

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immediately. The House stands in recess to the call of the Chair. Mr. Clerk, Rules Report."

Clerk Hollman: "Rules Report. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on March 25, 2025: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2547, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2714, and House... and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 3782."

Speaker González: "Representative Halbrook, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Halbrook: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Halbrook: "Thank you. Ladies and gentlemen of the House, before we went to recess, I had a page here from the district. I still want to kind of acknowledge his presence. His name is Karson Spangler. He's an 18-year-old, and he's a senior at Arthur Christian School in Arthur. He plans to attend a university yet this fall. He hasn't picked that out, but he wants to major in political science and then ultimately get to law school. But he has a huge interest in public service, and he was really happy to be here today to witness this event. And so, with that, ladies and gentlemen, if we can give... give Karson and the Arthur Christian School group a warm Springfield welcome. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Representative Windhorst, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Windhorst: "Thank you. Mr. Speaker, we were joined earlier today by the Heart Queens, which were the queens from a pageant founded in 2019 by Alex Austin and Tara Wallace. They have raised over \$105,000 for scholarships and donations to the American Heart Association. It is known as a crown with a cause. And those winners were, or are, Miss Illinois Heart, Dawn Parks, who is 22 years old, from Chicago; Miss Illinois Heart Teen, Alayna Jarvis, 19 years old, from Herrin; Miss Illinois Heart Junior Teen, Brooke Sheffer, 15 years old, from Anna; Miss Illinois Heart Pre-Teen, who is Ella Wilson, 12-year-old from Eldorado; Miss Illinois Heart Princess, who is Zarina Lechner, an 8-year-old from Jasper, Indiana; and Miss Illinois Heart Junior Princess, Charleigh Hawkins, 6 years old, from Vandalia. If we could give them a round of applause and welcome them to Springfield. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Leader Evans, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Evans: "Point... point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Evans: "I just want to recognize my wonderful page for today, Miss Robin Lorimor. Now, you asked me about Robin. She's a fifth grader from Springfield. Robin loves math, PE, volleyball, gymnastics, ice skating. On the volleyball team with the Salvation Army, and she wants to be a physical therapist when she grows up. So, all of us, we're in good hands when our backs start hurting because Robin is going to take good care of us. So, and her father is up here, you may have seen him, my good friend, Barton. Stand up, dad. He works

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here at the Capitol. So, round of applause to Robin, our future physical therapist."

Speaker González: "Representative Miller, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Miller: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Miller: "Thank you very much. Earlier, like my colleague, Brad Halbrook, we had another page for the day from... from Arthur Christian School. His name was James Lee. You know, I feel like that he's more than just a chapter because he's a senior in high school this year, and he's ready to write the whole book as he launches into the future. He's a great kid. I've known... I actually coached his two older brothers, and he's from a fine family, and I'm sure the future is going to be bright for him. He was joined here with his government class today from Arthur Christian also. They were sitting up there in the gallery, but they had other things they had to get home for. But, you know, it's kind of interesting because we had kind of a premeeting, and they had a lot of questions that were of inquiry. And... and I know one thing that they asked me, if... if we had any witness of the Trump derangement syndrome. And much to my surprise, they got to see it firsthand on full display a little bit earlier today. Thank you."

Speaker González: "Representative Canty, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Canty: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Canty: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Congrats up there. Today, I rise to discuss House Resolution 170, which declares March 25, 2025 as Equal Pay Day in Illinois. In 1996, the National Committee on Pay Equity created Equal Pay Day to raise awareness of the gender wage gap. Twenty-nine years later, while it has shrunk, we are still facing that gap. Census data reveals that even now, women earn on average 83 cents for every dollar earned by a man. We also know that the gap worsens as we break down the data. Moms' Equal Pay Day won't arrive until May 6; LGBTQIA+, June 17; Black women, July 10; Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders, August 28; Latinas, October 8; disabled women, October 23; and Native women, November 18. We have done amazing work through this Legislature to help close these gaps, making it illegal to ask about an applicant's prior salary history, requiring employers to include pay scales on their public job postings. But there is so much more work to be done to make sure that women can enter the workforce, stay in the workforce, and be paid fairly for that work. As we confront a White House that is eagerly dismantling equal pay protections, declaring the importance of our work to erase these inequities and the valuable work women do every day in support of our economy is more important than ever. I encourage all Members to sign on to this resolution as it makes its way through the chamber. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker González: "Representative Crawford, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Crawford: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Crawford: "Good afternoon, everybody. Before the break, I had my wife and kids here, and I do want to acknowledge them. They've gone back to Chicago at this point. But I had 7-year-old Michael, I call him Mikey or Bud, and 7-year-old McKinney, who are both in the first grade. Michael found it very exciting to be down here because it takes him away from his usual vocation of doing gymnastics off of my stairs at... at the house. And McKinney is a budding politician having, unfortunately, lost her first election by the slimmest of margins, and that was for class secretary of the first grade. I'll give you a quote: 'Why did you vote for your opponent?' Quote, 'Because she's my friend.' And so, we can learn a lot from the innocence of the child here in this chamber. My wife, Joy, was also here. So, can we give them an, essentially, a great Springfield welcome?"

Speaker González: "Representative Chung, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

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

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Chung: "Great to see you up there too, by the way. I just wanted to... I guess we have lots of children here on the floor with us here this week. My own children are right behind me. Look, there they are. Sophie over here is 12 and in seventh grade. And Mia is right over there and is fourth grade and 10 years old. And they... they don't like being on camera like their mom. Anyway, I'm just thrilled to have them here, even though maybe they might not be, but it's always a joy and pleasure to have them down here. So, let's all give them a round of applause and embarrass the heck out of them."

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Speaker González: "Representative Haas, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Haas: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Haas: "Today, in celebration of Equal Pay Day, I stand to counter my colleague. Let's talk about the truth and the obvious. Today, on March 25, we stand to celebrate equal pay for earned work. Women on our side of the aisle did not expect handouts. Women on our side the aisle do not believe in the idea that everyone should have equal treatment regardless of effort or achievement. We... what we want is a level playing field, and we're not afraid to help build that field. We believe in earning equal pay on merit, not because we showed up, but because we earned it. Women don't just work hard. We balance careers while raising families, contributing to our households, volunteering in our communities, and shaping the next generation. Today, across Illinois, we recognize what we already know, and that is that women are leaders, innovators, and problem solvers. We take on extra shifts, extra responsibilities and still show up every day with grit and grace. We will keep working, keep pushing, and keep proving that we deserve equal pay. Why? Not because we're women, but because we have earned it."

Speaker González: "Representative Schweizer, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Schweizer: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Schweizer: "Thank you. Before I actually start, I wanted to say something real quick. And this isn't to chastise anybody, but

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earlier, when Representative Swanson was reading the citation on a Medal of Honor awardee, there was a lot of people still talking and sitting down in their chairs. The appropriate thing to do is to stop what you're doing and listen to the citation. If you're busy on the phone or something, you can step outside, but that's the appropriate thing to do, and just stand up if you're able to. So, again, that's not to chastise anybody. That's just letting you know. You might not be aware of what the appropriate thing to do. So, during Women's History Month, it is my distinct honor to recognize an extraordinary, accomplished woman who made history right here in Illinois, Illinois Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman. Illinois Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman of Danville made history on October 26, 2013 with the swearing-in ceremony in Vermilion County Courthouse, becoming only the second female chief justice of the Illinois Supreme Court in our state's history. Chief Justice Garman was not only the longest-serving female in our state's history in... in the judge in this state, but also the first chief justice who has served in virtually every judicial capacity in Illinois. She was the longest-serving tenured judge in Illinois, serving over 48 and a half years total, retiring in July of 2022. Chief Justice Garman grew up wanting to become a lawyer, a goal that was strongly encouraged by her late parents. She was one of eight women in her law school class. Some law school professors, however, admonished her for taking up a seat in the class that could've gone to a man, but that didn't deter her. She graduated from University of Iowa Law School in 1968 with distinction and set out to become a lawyer, which was no

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easy task. Many firms and even the Vermilion County State's Attorney's Office declined to interview her, noting that clients do not want a woman lawyer. However, she persevered, becoming the first presiding judge in Vermilion County in 1987. She did not stop there, however. In 1995, Chief Justice Garman was assigned to the Appellate Court, making her the first woman to serve on the 4th District bench. And in 2001, she became the second woman to sit on the Illinois Supreme Court. During her career on the Illinois Supreme Court, she actively participated in hundreds of opinions as well as the court's administration, including establishment of Special Court Committee on Child Custody to ensure that children's best interest are the primary focus for child custody cases. To commemorate her efforts and remarkable career of service to her community and to the people of Illinois, my friend, former Representative Chad Hays, sponsored and led Illinois House passage of Illinois House Resolution 627 in the 98th General Assembly. Throughout her efforts, Chief Justice Garman has left a mark on Illinois that... and the justice system, pioneering through many first-to-become in both her career and Illinois history. She has paved the way for many aspiring young women who wish to enter the legal field. So, I wish to thank her for everything she's done for not only the community of Vermilion County and Danville but also Illinois. Thank you very much."

Speaker González: "Representative Elik, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Elik: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

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Elik: "Thank you. I rise today in honor of Women's History Month to honor a woman from Alton who is instrumental in the success of libraries throughout the Alton community. The Alton Library Association began in 1852 and was supported through private funding. Through poor management and fiscal decisions, this library association fell into debt and was looking to close its doors. A group of concerned ladies, spearheaded by Jennie Hayner, band together to purchase the association in 1866 at auction. Together, they rallied the community to raise funds to pay off the library's \$165 debt and purchase \$300 of new books for the community. The city hall let these ladies run this library from a small corner room, and led by these women, the library's prosperous history began. This library offered free literature to Altonians, and their goal was to enhance their city's social life through culture and intellect. Jennie Hayner's group sponsored dramas, concerts, fairs, dinners, and more. Horace Greeley, George Alfred Townsend, and Ralph Waldo Emerson were some of the lecturers who attended who bore national recognition. By 1988, the ladies' library group had grown so much, and the small room at city hall was no longer sufficient. That same year, Jennie Hayner passed away, leaving the Alton Library Association without a major director. Jennie Hayner's husband saw her vision and purchased a lot and built a library to bear the name of his wife, an Alton library legend, the Hayner Memorial Library. Hayner's legacy lived on through the years. In the early 1900s, Andrew Carnegie came to Alton with a proposal to build a Carnegie library, but it was declined because the new Carnegie library would charge a tax on the

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citizens, and Jennie Hayner's vision for the Hayner Memorial Library was to offer a free library for all Altonians. Alton's citizens enjoyed the only free library in the country during this time, wholly under the management of the ladies of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association. Over the years, the library grew rapidly and costs to maintain the library escalated. In the 1950s, the city council unanimously voted to acquire the Hayner Memorial Library as a public library. In the 1970s, the voters chose to create the Hayner Public Library District ran by its own governing board. Today, the district includes the original Hayner Memorial Library, now known as the Genealogy & Local History Library, as well as the Downtown Library and the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to Jennie Hayner and all the ladies of the Hayner Library District who joined together to bring books to Altonians for generations."

Speaker González: "Proceed to the Order House Bills on Second Reading. House Bill 226, Representative Hoffman... or Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 226, a Bill for an Act concerning business. This... Second Reading of this House Bill. No... Committee Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1189, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1189, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

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Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1226, Leader Hoffman.  
Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1226, a Bill for an Act concerning  
transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No  
Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are  
filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1615, Leader Hoffman.  
Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1615, a Bill for an Act concerning  
government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee  
Amendments. Floor Amendment #1, offered by Representative  
Hoffman, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker González: "Leader Hoffman to explain the amendment."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, ladies and gentlemen of the  
House. This Floor Amendment simply addresses an issue that  
was brought up in... in committee by the Republican  
spokesperson. It indicates that the flag needs to be promptly  
displayed, and it just clears up any... any problem that may  
exist."

Speaker González: "Leader Hoffman moves for the adoption of Floor  
Amendment #1. All those in favor say 'aye'; and all 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1616, Leader Hoffman.  
Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1616, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 1782, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 1782, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2433, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2433, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2676, Leader Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2676, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2586, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2586, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2785, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2785, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2786, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2786, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Hoffman, has been approved for consideration."

Speaker González: "Leader Hoffman to explain the amendment."

Hoffman: "Yes. Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker, ladies and gentlemen of the House. This is an agreement that has been reached on this bill. It provides that the... the amount will be raised to \$40,000, not up to \$75,000. I know of no opposition. This removes all opposition."

Speaker González: "Leader Hoffman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; all 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 González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2787, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2787, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2894, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2894, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 2967, Leader Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 2967, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of this House Bill. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3063, Leader Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3063, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3282, Leader Hoffman. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3282, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3510, Representative Vella. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3510, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments were adopted. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3654, Leader Evans. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3654, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. House Bill 3678, Leader Stuart. Mr. Clerk, please read the bill."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 3678, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. Second Reading of this House Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No motions are filed."

Speaker González: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting immediately: Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education will meet in Room 118. Insurance will meet in C-1. Agriculture & Conservation will meet in... in Room 115. Transportation: Regulations, Roads & Bridges will meet in 114. Immediately after those, the Consumer Protection Committee will meet in Room 115, Health Care Availability & Accessibility in C-1, Energy & Environment in Room 114, Judiciary - Criminal in D-1, Financial Institutions in Room 122B."

Speaker González: "Representative Halbrook, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Halbrook: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. One more point of personal privilege, please."

Speaker González: "Please proceed."

Halbrook: "Ladies and gentlemen of the House, if I could have your attention just momentarily. We are so honored to have a former State Representative here in the gallery, up to my right shoulder. Up in the gallery is former State Representative Jeanne Ives, former gubernatorial candidate.

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Let's please give her a warm Springfield welcome as she comes back to visit us today. Thank you."

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

Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 208, offered by Representative Stephens. House Resolution 209, offered by Representative Ford. And House Resolution 210, offered by Representative Haas."

Speaker González: "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. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the clerk, Leader Gabel moves that the House stand adjourned until Wednesday, March 26, at the hour of 11:30 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay.' In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And House stands adjourned."

Clerk Bolin: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Second Reading of House Bills to be read a second time and held on the Order of Second Reading. House Bill 401, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 402, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 403, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 404, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 405, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 406, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 407, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 408, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 409, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 410, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 411, a Bill for an

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Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 553, a Bill for an Act concerning  
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concerning human rights. House Bill 629, a Bill for an Act  
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concerning liquor. House Bill 634, a Bill for an Act  
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concerning liquor. House Bill 641, a Bill for an Act  
concerning liquor. House Bill 642, a Bill for an Act  
concerning liquor. House Bill 645, a Bill for an Act  
concerning local government. House Bill 646, a Bill for an  
Act concerning local government. House Bill 647, a Bill for

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Bill 692, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House  
Bill 693, a Bill for an Act concerning military service. House  
Bill 694, a Bill for an Act concerning military service. House  
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696, a Bill for an Act concerning notices. House Bill 697, a  
Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House  
Bill 698, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee  
benefits. House Bill 699, a Bill for an Act concerning public  
employee benefits. House Bill 700, a Bill for an Act  
concerning public employee benefits. Second Reading of these  
House Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading.  
There being no further business, the House Perfunctory  
Session will stand adjourned."