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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Keith Thomas of New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church in Peoria.

PASTOR KEITH THOMAS: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Johnson, please lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Lisa Yuscius with Blueroomstream seeks leave to video stream the proceedings. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Due to the renovations at the Capitol the Senate will be meeting in the temporary Senate Chamber here in Springfields, Howlett Building. While the temporary Chamber does not have a gallery, members of the public can still view the Senate's proceedings. There is a public viewing area in the Hall of Flags, also located on the first floor of the Howlett Building. Session will also be available to view online at www.ilga.gov. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Thursday, March 14th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Madam President, I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary.

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Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 851 through 857, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. Senate Resolutions 858 and 859, offered by Senator Hunter and all Members. Senate Resolutions 861 through 863, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. And Senate Resolution 864, offered by Senator Holmes and all Members. They're all celebration of life resolutions, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 860, offered by Senator Doris Turner. It is congratulatory and Senate Resolution 865, offered by Senator Edly-Allen. It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Reading of Senate bills for the first time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3917, offered by Senator Feigenholtz, an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 3918, offered by Senator Simms, an Act concerning appropriations. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 1030445, Governor's salaried appointment, To be the Director of the Illinois Department of Insurance, Dana Allison Popish Severinghaus. Appointment Message

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1030446, Governor's unsalaried appointment, To be a Member of the Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education, Erika Rae Allen.

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Senator Anderson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR ANDERSON:

A point of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Your announcement.

SENATOR ANDERSON:

Thank you, Madam Chair. I would like to announce that tonight is our annual Sportsmen's Caucus at the Wyndham at - starting at 5:00. If everybody has an opportunity, please stop by. We would really appreciate it. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Sally Turner, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you, Madam President. A point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

State your announcement.

SENATOR SALLY TURNER:

Thank you. Today I rise for a point of personal privilege. Come on this side so they can see you, to welcome a member of my team to the Floor, and please meet Dana Smith. Dana is a part-time legislative aide for me in the district, and she focuses on our traveling office hours. So far, she's been in Piatt County, Dewitt and Macon Counties, and will be going to McLean and Tazewell Counties soon. Dana grew up in Maroa, Illinois, which is in our

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District, and she comes from a military family, and she currently resides in Clinton with her husband. And she worked at Dewitt County for just short of 30 years, but she's my fellow clerk, she was County Clerk, in Dewitt County for 12 years. Dana is a member of the Auxiliary Legion, a member of Dove, and a member of Triad, and she volunteers at our local food pantry and participates in numerous outreach programs in our community. Dewitt County Triad was developed to protect our seniors from scam frauds and to improve the quality of life. Please welcome Dana Smith to the Senate. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Welcome. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of the Committee on Assignments will meet in the Senate's front room immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. The Senate will come to order. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Cunningham, Chair of the Committee on Assignments reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - Senate Joint Resolution 50; refer to Appropriations - Public Safety and Infrastructure Committee - Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3586; refer to Behavioral and Mental Health Committee - Senate Resolution 796 and Senate Resolution 811; refer to Education Committee - Senate Joint Resolution 49, Floor Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 2824, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3553 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3768; refer to Energy and Public Utilities Committee - Senate Resolution 785, and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3173; refer to Environment and Conservation Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2960

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and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3342; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bills 2666, 2966, 3089, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2305, Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2729, Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2811 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3410; refer to -- Mental... refer to Health and Human Services Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2578 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2957; refer to Higher Education Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2862; refer to Insurance Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3130; refer to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bill 3288, Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2597, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3284, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3310, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3420, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3551, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3713, and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3804; refer to Labor Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3180; refer to Licensed Activities Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2702, Floor Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 2822, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3211 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3767; refer to Local Government Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2751, refer to Public Health Committee - Senate Resolutions 802 and 820 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3547; refer to Revenue Committee - Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2784, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2878, and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3806; refer to State Government Committee - Senate Resolution 799, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3501; refer to Transportation Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3175, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3389 and Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3775; refer to Special Committee on Criminal Law and Public Safety - Senate

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Resolution 809, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3353 and Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3552. Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolutions -- Senate Resolution 803, Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 2907, Senate Bills 377, 455, 456, 458, 459, 461, 534, 536, 594, 595, 647, 691, 693, 763, 807, 808, 838, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, and 914. Re-referred to the Committee on Assignments - Senate Bills 3000 through 3069. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8(b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2401 {sic} (2404), Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3115 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3462. Signed, Bill Cunningham, Chair.
PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator Aquino, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Madam President, for an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Your announcement.

SENATOR AQUINO:

The Senate Democrats will caucus in the President's Office at 3:15 for approximately half an hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

Senator McClure, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SEANTOR MCCLURE:

An announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HOLMES)

State your announcement.

SEANTOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. The Senate Republicans will caucus at 3 p.m. in Room 400 of the Capitol for approximately an hour.

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There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 21st day of March, 2024. The Senate stands adjourned.