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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

The regular season {sic} (Session) of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will all Members be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Rabbi Arthur Stern, Temple Israel Springfield, Illinois.

RABBI ARTHUR STERN: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Due to renovations in the Capitol. The Senate will be meeting in the temporary Senate Chambers here in Springfield's Howlett Building, where a 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. Lisa Yuscus, Blueroomstream.com, seeks leave to photograph or video the proceedings. Is there any objection? Seeing none, objections -- Seeing no objections, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of January 11th, 2023.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Madam President. I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has

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additions or corrections to offer.

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Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to approve the general -- Journal just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Senator Glowiak Hilton. Mr. Secretary -- Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of Thursday, April 18th, Friday, April 19th, and Wednesday, April 24th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Madam President. I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcripts.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to -- moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, just -- pending arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolutions 939 through 944, offered by Senator Anderson and all Members. Senate Resolution 945, offered by Senator Koehler and all Members. Senate Resolution 946, offered by Senator Castro and all Members. Senate Resolution 947, offered by Senator Villanueva and all Members. Senate Resolutions 949 through 955, offered by Senator McClure and all Members. They are all celebration of life resolutions, Madam President.

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Mr. Secretary, Introduction... Mr. Secretary, Resolutions
Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 948, offered by Senator Villanueva. It is
congratulatory. Senate Resolution 938, offered by Senator Aquino.
Senate Resolution 956, offered by Senator Rezin and Senate Joint
Resolution 59, offered by Senator Porfirio. They are all
substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3934, offered by Senator Aquino, an Act
concerning safety. Senate Bill 3935, offered by Senator
Villanueva, an Act concerning regulation. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President
- I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of
Representatives has passed a bill of the following title and the
passage of which I am instructed ask the concurrence of the Senate,
to wit: House Bill 4916 passed the House April 18th, 2024. John W.
Hollman, Clerk of the House. A Message from the House by Mr.
Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President - I'm directed to inform the Senate
that the House of Representatives has passed a bill of the
following title, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask
the concurrence of the Senate, to wit: House Bill 5086 passed the
House, April 19th, 2024. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House.

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Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 1030476, Governor's salaried appointment, To be the Associate Secretary, Illinois Department of Human Services, Clodoaldo Rodrigo Carrillo; Appointment Message 1030477, Governor's salaried appointment, To be Assistant Secretary, Illinois Department of Human Services, Kristin Chernawsky; Appointment Message 1030478, Governor's unsalaried appointment, To be a Member of the Illinois Committee for Agricultural Education, William E. Hook.

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Mr. Secretary, House Bills 1st Reading.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4075, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 4295, offered by Senator Hunter, an Act concerning government. House Bill 4321, offered by Senator Joyce, an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 4447, offered by Senator Murphy, an Act concerning business. House Bill 4467, offered by Senator Castro, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4570, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 4907, offered by President Harmon, an Act concerning health. House Bill 4911, offered by Senator Cervantes, an Act concerning business. House Bill 4972, offered by Senator Rose, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5000, offered by Senator Syverson, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5086, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5247, offered by Senator Glowiak Hilton, an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5269, offered by

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Senator Morrison, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5418, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning education. House Bill 5433, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning conservation. House Bill 5491, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5495, offered by Senator Feigenholtz, an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5653, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act concerning State government. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary, have there been any motions filed?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No, I do not, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Koehler, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Madam President, for a point of introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point, sir.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Well, today is a very special day for me. I get to be shadowed by my two granddaughters. Georgia who is ? Why don't you stand up, Georgia, if you can? Georgia, who is a senior at Richwoods High School, and Amelia, who is a freshman at Richwoods High School. Amelia is going to be going into ROTC, has an interest, eventually in law enforcement. Georgia, is a figure skater. She's, gold level now? Gold level with the US figure skating organization. She unfortunately was in a ski accident. I shouldn't say this, but her boyfriend ran into her, and -- and she tore her ACL. He's still a boyfriend, still a boyfriend, tore her ACL, and she's on her way

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to the University of Illinois in Champaign. Senator Faraci is going to keep an eye on her, so, but please help me in welcoming them to the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Welcome to the Senate, ladies. Senator Johnson, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Point of announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your announcement.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Illinois Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, they are here, Day of the -- Day at the Capitol from April 30th until tomorrow, May 1st. And so, let's welcome them and also tonight they are having a reception at the BOS Center from 8:00 until 11:00 pm. So, please stop by and welcome them to Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you very much, Senator Johnson. Senator Aquino, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Madam President, for an introduction.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your introduction, Sir.

SENATOR AQUINO:

Today, we welcome the candidates for Illinois Youth of the Year from Boys and Girls Clubs. Boy and Girls Clubs provide a safe and positive environment for young people to learn, grow, and become productive adults. Across Illinois there are 159 Clubs

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serving more than 59,000 youth from ages 5 to 18 focused on out of school programs. I am proud to have three of those clubs in -- in the 2nd District, tied for the most in the State alongside our Presiding Senator, Leader Hunter and I see firsthand the incredible services they provide to my young neighbors and commitment they have to our community and City. The Youth of the Year program is the Boys and Girls Club's premier recognition platform, designed to promote and recognize service to Club and community, academic performance, and contributions to family. I want to congratulate, congratulations on your tremendous success and welcome to the Illinois Senate. They should be in the Hall of Flags and just want to give...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Both Boys and Girls Club is a good thing. Welcome to the Senate. Senator Turner, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR TURNER:

I have an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your announcement, Madam.

SENATOR TURNER:

So, for the past two days, the Boys and Girls Club, CEOs, and Board Members, and other stakeholders have been in Springfield meeting and culminating in the announcement of the Boys -- Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year. So, there were ten individuals that were being considered, and they were from, Scout -- Scott Air Force Base Boys and Girls Club, the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Elgin, Dundee County {sic} Township, Bloomington-Normal, Chicago, Livingston County, Rockford, Union League Boys and Girls Clubs, and the Boys

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and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois, which is in Springfield. And I am really happy, excited, and very proud to announce that the youth that was named Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year is Pharez Carter. And drumroll, he's from Springfield.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Well, congratulations, young people. Very proud of you.

SENATOR TURNER:

Pharez was planning to join us, on the Floor, and he was very excited about that. But due to all of their activities, they weren't going to be able to make it to the Capitol until 2:00, but I do want to share a little bit about Pharez because he is a phenomenal young man. He is a 15-years-old Springfield native and student athlete attending Southeast High School with a very impressive 3.7 GPA. He joined the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois After School Program in the second grade and has continued participating in numerous programs and athletic activities since then. He, is a very caring, productive, responsible citizen who volunteers and mentors' other local youth, exemplifying himself as a social support leader in the Springfield community. He was recently honored as the 2023 Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois Youth of the Year, earning him a spot to compete for the Youth of the Year Statewide award. He, after school, Pharez plans to attend UCLA to acquire a Bachelor of Science degree focusing on sports and health sciences, in hopes of continuing the Boys and Girls Club of Central Illinois champion legacy. For Pharez, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois has sparked a bright light within him that nothing will dim. So, please join me in congratulating Pharez Carter on being named the 2024 Boys and Girls Club of Illinois Youth of the Year.

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Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 957, offered by Senator Johnson. It is substantive.

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The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. The Members of Committee on Assignments will meet in the Senate front room immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Cunningham, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture Committee - House Bills 4590 and 5522; refer to Appropriations Committee - House Bills 56 and 4196; refer to Appropriations Education - House Bill 5480; refer to Appropriations Health and Human Services Committee - Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3522 and House Bills 4677 and 5417; refer to Behavioral and Mental Health Committee - House Bills 5094 and 5269; refer to Education Committee - House Bills 340, 3446, 4219, 4895, 4903, 5250, 5276, and 5394; refer to Energy and Public Utilities Committee - House Bills 4471, 4804, 5459, 5546; refer to Environment and Conservation Committee - House Bills 1837 and 5488; refer to Executive Committee - House Bills 303, 3141, 3886, 3908, 4209, 4500, 4621, 4715, 4772, 4783, 5189, 5229, 5294, 5304, 5367, and 5408; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - House Bill 4891; refer to Health and Human Services Committee - Senate Resolution 898 and House Bills 4059, 4346, 4427, 4758, 5095, 5429,

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and 5596; refer to Higher Education Committee - House Bills 4738 and 5655; refer to Insurance Committee - Committee Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 1479, Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2442, Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 4789, House Bills 2385, 2472, 4055, 4180, 5142, 5258, 5317, 5357, 5395, 5493, 5559, and 5643; refer to Judiciary Committee - House Bills 3763, 3773, 4206, 4276, 4467, 4629, 4727, 4762, 4863, 4875, 4925, 4926, 4961, 5023, 5224, 5247, and 5296; refer to Labor Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3649 and House Bill 4954; refer to License Activities Committee - House Bills 4357, 4412, 4874, 5047, 5085, 5344; refer to Local Government Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 5190 and House Bill 5166; refer to Public Health Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3751 and House Bill 5405; refer to Revenue Committee - House Bill 612, 4179 and 4720; refer to State Government Committee - House Bill 4959; refer to Transportation Committee - House Bill 4712, 4848, 5138 and 5349; refer to Veterans Affairs Committee - House Bill 5653; refer to Special Committee on Criminal Law and Public Safety - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 2323, House Bill 4295, 4942, 5285 and 5431. Going back to Transportation Committee, it should have been House Bill 4722, not 4712; re-refer from the Judiciary Committee to the Committee on Assignments - House Bill 778. Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Bills 809, 1105, 1217, Senate Resolution 931, Senate Joint Resolution 57, House Bill 4582. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8 (b-1), the following amendments will remain in the Committee on Assignments - Committee Amendment 1 to House Bill 4442, Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 8--386, Committee Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 3240. Signed, Senator Bill Cunningham, Chair.

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Leader Aquino, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR AQUINO:

Thank you, Madam President, for an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your announcement, Sir.

SENATOR AQUINO:

The Senate Democrats will caucus in the Senate President's Office at 1:15 for approximately half an hour.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Harriss, what purpose do you rise? Senator Turner, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR S. TURNER:

I'm sorry, Madam President. The Republicans will caucus in Room 400.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you very much. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on May 1st, 2024. The Senate stands adjourned.