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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Curt Fleck, Civil Servant Ministries, Springfield, Illinois. Pastor Fleck.

PASTOR CURT FLECK: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

WTAX requests permission to photo, leave is granted. WGEM requests permission to record audio/video, leave is granted. WGEM again, requests permission for Max Cotton, previous for Clint DeRosa. WCIA record -- requests permission to record video and audio. Blueroomstream requests permission to video stream. WAND TV request permission to record video and Capitol News Illinois requests permission to photo/record, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Friday, May 24th, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Thank you, Senator. Senator Hunter moves to postpone the

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reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. Seeing there being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1051, offered by Senator Doris Turner and all Members. It is a celebration of life resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1052, offered by Senator Edly-Allen. It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR LIGHTFORD)

Capitol News Illinois requests permission to photograph, leave is granted. Mr. President, in the Chair.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the Daily Line request permission to photograph the proceedings today, and Lee Enterprise request permission to take audio and photos of the proceedings. Seeing no objection, permission is granted. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going to turn to final action on page 6 of your printed Calendar is the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading. And on page 7, we begin with House Bill 1855, Senator Chesney? Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 1855, an Act concerning conservation. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Chesney, on your bill.

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SENATOR CHESNEY:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill came unanimously to us from the House and it seeks to add some clarifying language regarding the forestry program. There's a forestry tax that's assessed on the timber industry and some of those dollars that are supposed to go to conservation efforts. So, the Farm Bureau and the IEC have gotten together and have requested some more information regarding that particular program. I know of no known opposition. I asked for an Aye vote. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 1855 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. House Bill 1855, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Moving ahead to House Bill 3046, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 3046, an Act concerning safety. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. This legislation provides that recycled water can be reused for irrigation purposes. It also allows the IEPA to propose rules establishing programs for both direct potable and non-potable water reuse. I would ask for an Aye

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vote.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Any discussion? Senator McClure, for what purpose do you rise?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Will the sponsor yield?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Sponsor indicates that he'll yield. Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. So, I'm kind of confused because of all the amendments. So, there were a couple of amendments that were not adopted, other amendments were adopted. Are there any opponents currently to this -- this bill?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Senator, for that question. When it passed over from the House last year, IEPA had some concerns. We worked to address those concerns, what they believe with Amendment No. 3, we did not adopt Amendment No. 4 and 5. So, I don't believe there is -- there is -- there is no opposition.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Okay. So, do we have a cost estimate of this legislation?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

I -- we -- I don't think there's -- there's isn't a cost

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estimate because I don't think there is a need to have one. This simply allows repeals of prohibition in terms of being able to use water reuse for irrigation purposes. And it does in terms of establishing -- having the Department establish rules for water reuse for non-potable and -- and potable, you know, situations. That's what this does.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Okay. So -- so this recycling of sewage wastewater, like, what's -- what's the catalyst for this? Are there any communities that would like to do this? Um, or is this just something that, you know, someone noticed this in statute and decided that it was a better idea to not have this in statute.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

I think the concept of water reuse is becoming more, prominent. In fact, there's 20 -- we would be essentially doing what 23 other states do for non-potable water reuse and 16 other states do for potable water reuse in terms of allowing the Department to establish regulations and guidelines.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

And I appreciate that. But is any community within our State asking for this? Because my understanding is the EPA can already do this on their own. And if nobody's -- no one's asking for this, what's the point?

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PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

There are absolutely communities asking for this again, and it's not my understanding that that IEPA can just do this on their own. But -- but for us, one again, it repeals the prohibition for water use for irrigation purposes. And two, it's the legislature saying, look, we want you to move forward with this concept that 23 other states have done for non-potable, 16 for potable, because water reuse is something that we need to do. And yes, this is an initiative that has come from a constituent and has come from several communities that want to have this explored due to the -- the need of -- of water accessibility.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Senator. To the bill.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

To the bill, Senator.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you. So, my understanding is that IEPA has this rule, in place, not allowing this. They can remove the rule, if they choose to remove the rule. Legislation is not necessary for this. I mean, we talked about generically, communities are asking for this. I have yet to hear a single community asking for this. I think IEPA is in a better -- is in a better position to make a decision on this than those of us in the General Assembly right now. They know the resources, they know what can or can't be done, and they can look at what other states are doing. They're in the

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best position to do this. This is an unnecessary piece of legislation. And for that reason, I urge a No vote.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Any further discussion. Senator -- Senator Rezin, for a purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. A question for the sponsor.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Sponsor indicates he'll yield. Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. The IEPA proposed to the IEC the idea of potentially amending the bill to enact a comprehensive, long -- yearlong study that would equip the agency to better evaluate the need and provide the tools necessary to implement something similar to what is being proposed. But the proposal was not accepted. Why wasn't the IEPA's proposal who -- who now has the authority to write rules for amending the bill be accepted?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

I'm sorry. Senator. Can you repeat that, please?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

The IEPA participated in a comprehensive, long-term study that would equip their agency to better evaluate the need and provide the tools necessary to implement something similar to what's being proposed. However, the proposal was not accepted. Why wasn't the IEPA's proposal accepted?

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PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Senator. I'm not familiar with the -- the exact, you know, proposal you're referencing. All I can tell you is this legislation passed the House last April. IEPA reached out to me. I held the legislation at their request because of their concerns. We met in October, again, to go over language. They did not provide language. We met, again, in February, to discuss the issues that they had. Then the Illinois Environmental Council and my constituent provided language to them, which then they subsequently accepted. And here we are.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

To the bill, please.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

To the bill.

SENATOR REZIN:

And -- and I appreciate the sponsor's comments on this bill. I'm not sure if this is the right thing to do or not. But it does seem like it's a huge change from how we've handled the usage of water in the past, and it seems to me that it would be helpful, especially to the agency who's requesting, to use a study of a yearlong task force to use the information that was provided to them. You know, again, I'm not sure if this is a good idea or not. I'm we're always a little worried that when we hear, just let the agency write the rules and we'll see them in JCAR. As a JCAR member, in the past, we have had, challenges with overreach when

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the exact intent is not discussed on the legislative side for what is -- what the expectations for the program is. So, because of that, I have concerns about the bill and would ask for a No vote on our side. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Senator Villivalam, to close.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you -- thank you, Mr. President. Obviously, I appreciate the discussion. This is legislation that has been negotiated, we've certainly spoke with the IEPA several times, I imagine we're going to continue to speak with them. Twenty-three states have centralized non-potable water reuse regulations and guidelines. Sixteen states, have with -- have potable water reuse regulations and -- or guidelines. That's what we're doing here today. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

The question is, shall House Bill 3046 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 39 voting Aye, 15 voting No, none voting Present. House Bill 3046, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Let's move to the top of page 8, on the printed Calendar. House Bill 4179, Senator Bennett. Senator Bennett seeks leave of the Body to return House Bill 4179 to the Order of 2nd Reading. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Now, on 2nd Reading, House Bill 4179. Mr. Secretary, please.. On the Order of 2nd Reading -- have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Bennett.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bennett, on your amendment.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Ask to offer that up and discuss that on 3rd, please.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bennett moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 3 to House Bill 4179. All in favor say, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendments have been adopted. Have there been any further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

3rd Reading. Now on 3rd Reading, House Bill 4179. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 4179, an Act concerning local government. 3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bennett, on your bill.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. As amended, House Bill 4-1-7-9 amends the Emergency Services District Act to increase, for all counties, outside of Cook County and the collar counties the total aggregate taxing authority of emergency service districts and current rescue squad districts from .6 percent to .8 percent. Additionally, House Bill 4-1-7-9 allows for all counties outside of Cook County and the collar counties, current and future emergency service districts, to increase their corporate levy from

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.2 percent to .4 percent through referendum. Senate Amendment 3 moved all opposition or removed all opposition to neutral. And House Bill 4-1-7-9 passed out of the Senate Revenue Committee, unanimously. This bill is so very important for our rural parts of the State to continue to operate emergency ambulance services. I'd be happy to answer questions and I would appreciate an Aye vote this -- this today.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Senator, any discussion? Senator Rezin, for what purposes do you rise?

SENATOR REZIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question for the sponsor.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Sponsor indicates that he'll yield. Senator Rezin.

SENATOR REZIN:

Sure. Thank you. Senator Bennett, I'm a little confused by your bill. Is this, would this be viewed as a tax increase?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

That's also based upon a referendum piece of this where in southern Illinois we have a number of ambulance services that are no longer there, counties no longer have ambulances. There are some counties that have perhaps three ambulances at one time and now they're down to one. And so, we're providing a referendum aspect where people can move forward to make that decision at the local level.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Rezin.

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SENATOR REZIN:

Sure. Thank you, Mr. President. Last question, Senator Bennett, is this considered your last bill?

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

I -- I'm not sure. I'm hoping for one more today, but we'll -- we'll see.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Any further discussion? Seeing none. Senator Bennett, you wish to close?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I ask for an Aye vote, please.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you. Senator. The question is, shall House Bill 4179 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 53 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. House Bill 4179, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going to shift gears in just a moment and turn to the Order of Secretary's Desk Resolutions. Just want to make sure, Members and staff are prepared to -- to go to that Order of Business. We'll hold for a minute to allow people to catch up with our change of schedule. Just for the sense of the Body, we're going to begin on Senate Joint Resolutions in a moment. That would begin on the middle of page 13, if you want to look at your Calendar to be prepared. Ladies and Gentlemen

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of the Senate, we're on the Order of Secretary's Desk Resolutions. We're going to pick up Senate Joint Resolutions and House Resolution -- House Joint Resolutions, renaming roads. These all require the expenditure of State funds, so they will require roll call votes. Let's start in the middle of page 13, on Senate Joint Resolution 43. Senator Bryant, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 43, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bryant, on your resolution.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. It is right that we do this resolution today, during Memorial Day weekend. This is -- in honor of Lance Cpl. Drew Uhles. It renames Route 51 that runs through St. Johns as the Lou -- "Lance Cpl. Drew (M.) Uhles Memorial Highway". Marine Lance Corporal Drew M. Uhles of DuQuoin died from injuries received due to enemy action in Al Anbar -- Anbar Province, Iraq, on September 15th, 2004, and subsequently was awarded the Purple Heart. Lance Cpl. Uhles was assigned to 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, California. Lance Cpl. Uhles received numerous awards during his exemplary service to our nation, including the Combat Action Ribbon, the Rifle Marksmans Badge, the Presidential Unit Citation, the Good Conduct Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and the two Sea Service Deployment Ribbons. Thank you all for standing and for recognizing this awesome young man's life and recognizing that

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he did give the ultimate sacrifice for our country and for all, each and every one of us. And, Mr. President, I would also ask for a Moment of Silence.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question before us is - shall Senate Joint Resolution 43 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution 43, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senator Bryant's request we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Lance Cpl. Uhles. (Moment of silence observed) With leave of the Body, we'll jump ahead to Senate Joint Resolution 48. Senator Halpin, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 48, offered by Senator Halpin.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Halpin, on your resolution.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Joint Resolution 48 honors someone, well remembered in the district that I represent, and someone, without whom, I would not have the privilege to serve in the General Assembly. Congressman Lane Evans. Lane represented Western Illinois in Congress for 24 years. During that time, he fought for work, organized labor, and all working families. He fought for the dignity and comfort of our seniors in retirement. And above all else, the respect, honor, and care of our veterans. Lane himself served honorably in the United States Marine Corps.

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A Vietnam era veteran. He spent every day in Congress, later, working to expand health care for our veterans, even in the face of opposition within his own party, at times. And culminating in his success, in making exposure to Agent Orange a basis for service-connected disabilities. During tough times, in Washington, when there wasn't much work being done, Lane would -- would joke that the only thing they could agree on out there was naming post offices after dead Congressmen. His colleagues showed him something, though, by naming Rock Islands Post office after him while he -- while he lived. We don't have that luxury today, unfortunately, Lane passed away about ten years ago, this coming November. But IDOT, in the Quad Cities, recently completed the new I-74 bridge and the highway stretch that approaches it. And Lane was instrumental in -- in the conceptualization and getting that project started decades ago. And so, it's fitting with this resolution to name the stretch of I-74, from - I think it's 4th Avenue to I-280 as the "Representative Lane Evans Memorial Highway". And, so may his family, and friends, and supporters remember him and may future generations of the Quad Cities forever be reminded of a true public servant. Thank you so much. I would ask for your Aye vote.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question before the Body is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 48 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution 48, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Senate Joint

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Resolution 59, Senator Porfirio. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 59, offered by Senator Porfirio.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Porfirio, on your resolution.

SENATOR PORFIRIO:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. Senate Joint Resolution 59 resolves that we designate the portion of I-80 of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the State of Illinois, from mile marker 26 to mile marker 51, as the United - "U.S. Marine Corps Highway Semper Fidelis". This is in, honor of the Marine Corps 250th Anniversary. The phrase Semper Fidelis, is Latin, for always faithful and the motto of the United States Marine Corps, and exemplifies the promise that Marines are always faithful to those on their left and right. And on this -- on this Memorial Day and in honor of their 250th Anniversary, this is a great way to recognize the service and sacrifice, of the United States Marine Corps, in the history of the defense of our nation.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 59 pass. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. Senate Joint Resolution 59, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Let's jump forward to House Joint Resolution 28, Senator Bryant. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 28, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bryant, on your resolution.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise, to once again, memorialize today, a life that was lost in the line of duty, for a Wayne County deputy. Deputy Sean Riley, was killed when he was responding to an assist motorist at about 5 a.m. Literally -- literally just down the road from my daughter and four grandchildren, and son-in-law live. So, he stopped to assist this motorist. And at the at that time, he was shot in the head and was left for dead, on the side of the road. The perpetrator of that then escaped over to Missouri. Stole a car there, shot another person there, then was ultimately, apprehended in Illinois just a short time later. Deputy Sean Riley was a three-year veteran of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, where he served as both a corrections officer and a patrol deputy. He leaves behind, at his passing his wife, Leslie, his children, Logan Brown, Deegan, Riley and Mia Joe Riley, and very young man. Of course, this caused the community to reel from his death. And, this resolution and the renaming of this road will do a very small part to help bring that community back together and to honor Deputy Riley for his service to our community and to law enforcement. I ask for an Aye vote. And again, with your indulgence, sir, I ask also for a Moment of Silence.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question before the Body is, shall House Joint Resolution 28 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have

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all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present and House Joint Resolution 28, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. The request of the sponsor we'll now observe a Moment of Silence in honor of Deputy Riley. (Moment of silence observed) Continuing on the same order. House Joint Resolution 36, Senator Bryant. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 36, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Bryant, on the resolution.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you again, Mr. President. I once again, rise to honor a young man who gave his life in the service of our community. In this case, this young man was a fireman. And Kody, his name is Kody Vanfossan. Kody was a guy who gave his heart and soul and willingness to serve others. Countless friends, both in and out of the service have mentioned this. He was a third generation firefighter. Made the ultimate sacrifice while responding to a six alarm fire with the Christopher Fire Department on May 5th, 2019. At the time of his passing, Kody was survived by his son, Erik Mitchell Vanfossan; his parents; his brother; and his sister. And, again, I would say to you, this is our small way of saying to the family, thank you for the sacrifice that your family has given. And we thank all of those who are in the fire service who put their lives on the line every day, ask for an Aye vote. And again, with your indulgence, a Moment of Silence.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

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The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 36 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No, none voting Present. House Joint Resolution 36, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Now, at the sponsor's request, we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Firefighter Vanfossan. (Moment of silence observed) House Joint Resolution 37, Senator Plummer, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 37, offered by Senator Plummer.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Plummer, on your resolution.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution honors Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas (Brian) Kleiboeker of the Odin, Illinois area. Lance Corporal Kleiboeker gave his life in the service of the country, in Iraq -- and -- him and his family touch a lot of folks, in -- in the entire area where he grew up, in Odin and Iuka and the surrounding communities. In research on this resolution, I spent a lot of time, and the -- the amount of communication that's still taking place with folks that served with -- with Lance Cpl. Kleiboeker and his family and the impact that he had on those he served with, those he went to school with, those he spent time within the community. Is -- is remarkable. You know, it's -- it's Memorial Day weekend, and I think it's a fitting tribute to honor Lance Cpl. Kleiboeker, a young man who gave his life at the age of 19. So, the rest of us could continue to live and enjoy the

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prosperity and the freedoms that this nation grants us. I appreciate the opportunity to do this, Mr. President. I ask also, with your indulgence, for a Moment of Silence for Lance Cpl. Kleiboeker. And I thank the Body for -- for this opportunity. He truly was a great young man. And the entire region, just struggled with his loss because he was so impactful in the area. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 37 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No. House Joint Resolution 37, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. Now, with the sponsors request, we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Lance Cpl. Kleiboeker. (Moment of silence observed) Continuing on the same Order, we have House Joint Resolution 39. Senator Rose, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 39, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Rose, on your resolution.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Body. I was at Lieutenant Southworth's funeral in Oakland, Illinois. I was their State Representative at the time. He left a wife and four children behind, serving our country. As a police officer, having graduated from Eastern University, and was in -- where he was a member of the ROTC battalion there. Police from all over the State of

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Illinois sent squads and units in tribute to Lieutenant Southworth. The Oakland High School gymnasium was packed. The whole thing. Town of a thousand, doubled, tripled in size. All -- all in the gym. It was a cold -- cold morning. The sun was shining. And after the funeral portion ended, everybody walks, a thousand people walked down the street following the Chicago Police Department's Bag and Drum Corps, who had come down to Oakland, Illinois to honor Lieutenant Southworth. Followed half mile, whatever it is to the -- to the actual burial site. These men and women -- these men and women, they're simply extraordinary. There's nothing more we can say, there's nothing more we can do. All we can hope is that our tributes that we do today, in some small way, bring peace to their loved ones and their family that are still here. So, with that, I'd ask the indulgence of the Body to name a portion of Illinois Route 133 through the City of Oakland as the "Lieutenant Jared W. Southworth Memorial Highway". Thank you. And I'd also ask for a Moment of Silence in his honor.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 39, be adopted. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No. House Joint Resolution 39, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. At the sponsors request, we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Lieutenant Southworth. (Moment of silence observed) Let's turn to House Joint Resolution 50. Senator Rose, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

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House Joint Resolution 50, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Rose, on the resolution.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Body. I did not represent this area of the State at the time when Specialist Charles Lamb was killed. However, he was out of the Paris battalion that I'm now lucky enough to represent and -- and the -- the Paris National Guard Battalion, is, mustered in 1861, it has gone every time it was called. If I'm not mistaken, has left someone behind every time it was called. This case, Specialist Charles Lamb, was killed in action in defense of our country, leaving behind his parents and his wife, Erin. Seems to be they had just recently been married. He was a Casey-Westfield High School graduate. Worked as a mechanic at Goodwin's Body Shop in Martinsville when he was called up to serve our country. It was on September 5th of 2004, as part of that Paris Battalion, he was killed in action, by a mortar attack in a base southwest of Baghdad. He loved fishing, four-wheeler riding, motorbike riding, working around the garage and most of all spending time with his family and friends. His -- his high school agriculture teacher where he was involved in FFA, said, quote "I think one of the reasons he signed up for the service was to help other people out, make a better life, and to see the country." said Mark Harris. Again, I -- I ask, I pray that this action here today, all these actions here today, can serve in some small way, some small tribute to bring peace to these family and friends who have lost their loved one. And -- and show just how enormously grateful all of us are for these brave men and women sacrifice. So, to that I would ask that we please go ahead and

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name a portion of US Route 40 as it runs through Casey, Illinois as the "Army Specialist Charles Lamb Memorial Highway". And I'd also ask for a Moment of Silence, Mr. President, thank you.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 50 be adopted? All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No. And House Joint Resolution 50, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. The request of the sponsor we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Specialist Lamb. (Moment of silence observed) At the bottom of page 13 near the end of the Order is House Joint Resolution 60, Senator Lewis. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 60, offered by Senator Lewis.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Senator Lewis, on your resolution.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you, Mr. President. On this Memorial Day, I also rise, to honor United States Army Staff Sergeant Robert J. Miller of Wheaton, who was born October 14th, 1983, graduated from Wheaton North High School. He enlisted in the US Army as a Special Forces candidate, graduated from Special Forces Qualification Course, and earned the Green Beret. Staff Sergeant Miller was deployed with the 3rd SFG Airborne in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. During his deployment, he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal with Valor, for his courage in the face of the enemy and was

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promoted to the rank of staff sergeant. His other words -- other awards and decorations include the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, two Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbons, the NATO Medal, the Parachutist Badge, the Ranger Tab, and the Special Forces Tab. He has been inducted as a Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois and awarded the Order of Lincoln, the State's highest honor, by the Governor in 2012. His extraordinary valor saved the lives of seven members of his own team and 15 Afghanistan National Army soldiers. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his heroism and selflessness at the cost of his own life. United States Army Staff Sergeant Robert J. Miller was killed in action in Afghanistan on January 25th, 2008. It is with the honor of this Body that I ask that a Route, a section of Route 38, Roosevelt Road, be named in his honor. And again, I ask for an Aye vote and a Moment of Silence, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall House Joint Resolution 60 be adopted. All those in favor vote, Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Please take the record. On that question, there are 55 voting Aye, none voting No. House Joint Resolution 60, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared adopted. And at the sponsor's request, we'll observe a Moment of Silence for Staff Sergeant Miller. (Moment of silence observed) Thank you, I'd invite the Members to take their seats. This is the Memorial Day weekend, and while the Chamber is in a particularly somber and reflective moment, it might be an appropriate time for us to recognize a Memorial Day in our

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traditional fashion. We'll stand up for a moment. We typically invite our veterans serving in the Senate to share some remarks or remembrance. We'll stand by for just a moment to make sure everyone's ready to proceed. On this Memorial Day weekend, as we do the people's business, let's take a moment to observe the Memorial Day celebration and the cause for its remembrance. I'd invite Members of the Senate wishing to speak to share some remarks. Senator Porfirio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PORFIRIO:

Thank -- thank you, Mr. President. I rise to -- to today, in honor of Memorial Day weekend and appreciate the opportunity to -- to speak... You know we really enter into -- the most sacred of days on our Calendar, Right? We've -- we've 4th of July, we -- we celebrate our independence and Veterans Day. We recognize our veterans. But, you know, Memorial Day is the day where we, we hold sacred and honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, for -- for this country. And, If you'll indulge me, like a moment, some -- some -- some remnant {sic} remination or... You know, I think of friends, classmates, colleagues, I've served with, who paid the ultimate sacrifice. One-- one was Captain Matt Freeman. He -- he was my -- my detailer when I was a pleb at the at the Naval Academy. And he had -- he had -- he was from California, this bleached blond hair. And, after, detailers are kind of like drill instructors, but then as that relationship evolved, we realized he was kind of like this, a little bit of a laid-back beach bum. And I think his he came from a lineage of fighter pilots. He had jet fuel in his veins. His dad was a, I think, a consultant for Top Gun. You know, Tom Cruise continues to be one of the best recruiters the Navy ever had. And so, Matt -- Matt's dream is to be a -- to be a Navy

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fighter pilot and, you know, he -- he kind of looked the role. And, I remember when -- when service selection rolls around, he -- he gets a -- he gets the assignment of aviation of pilot but in the United States Marine Corps. And we're all kind of looking at each other like Freeman's going into the Marine Corps, like, okay. And, but just an outstanding American. In 2009, he marries his childhood sweetheart, Theresa. And, three weeks later, he volunteers for ground action when he -- when he knows that his fellow Marines need more support in Afghanistan. He's a C-130 Hercules pilot. He volunteered for an individual augmented position with the fourth Marines embedded training team and deployed in Afghanistan. He was conducting operations with first Battalion, third Brigade, 201st Corps and the Afghan National Army. Engaged in Operation Brest Thunder in one of the most dangerous regions within the 201st Corps area of operations. When his team came under heavy enemy fire, he led his men to a building where they could locate a better firing position and was the first to reach the roof, killing a Taliban insurgent attempting to shoot a rocket propelled grenade at -- at his team. While continuing to engage insurgents, Captain Freeman was mortally wounded in the ensuing exchange of fire. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star with combat V posthumously for his actions. A graduate of the 2000 Class of the United States Naval Academy, he's now laid to rest at the United States Naval Academy Cemetery. I think of Lieutenant Brendan Looney. Brendan was on the lacrosse team that made the -- the national championship when we were seniors against Syracuse. It was a big deal. And, as -- as my -- as my seatmate knows, sometimes the curriculum at the service academies can be pretty intense. And I think Brendan and I think we're, we're

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going to pull, you know, our last semester, we're going to take the history of piracy. Well, it wasn't as easy a class as we thought, right? So, we're -- we're preparing for a final exam, and, you know, me -- me and Brendan are going to, you know, cram for this exam, and we go to -- we go to, we end up going to Ram's Head Tavern. We don't really study for the exam. I don't think, the next day, we get -- we get our we get our blue books. This is, you know, before ChatGPT. I'm sure my essay started with such brilliance as, 'Throughout history, there have been pirates.' After the exam is over, you know, Bren and I are kind of looking at each other. How do you think it went? And he, you know, we end up passing. It all worked out. But, Brendan also, three days after his wedding, he met his teammates on deployment in Iraq. And was eventually killed on his 59th mission while conducting combat operations in the Zabul province of -- of -- of Afghanistan on a later deployment. And while I try to bring in the context of -- of -- of my friends, it's because I think oftentimes, we -- we -- we lionize and -- and the -- our service Members. And -- and want to make them into, like, comic book superheroes, to make us maybe feel better, maybe more comfortable and -- and we kind of dilute their humanity. Right. And -- and I would say their - they transcend that. They're -- they're real heroes. They're the definition of real heroes. And they're people who are who -- who are willing to sacrifice their life for this country, knowing they may have to sacrifice their life for this country, certainly not wanting to sacrifice their life for this country, shattering lives back home, grieving mothers and fathers, widows and widowers, orphans, really the best of us who had talent and dreams, to -- to make this world a better place and we've lost that. So again, on

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this Memorial Day, I think it's important to remember that real service and sacrifice that this country was built on, the foundation of the greatest country in the history of the world, built on -- on these brave Americans who have been willing to raise their right hand for us. And, you know, so, as we enter into the Memorial Day weekend, please remember that service and sacrifice. Please honor it, and remember those who gave their life, and those who they left behind. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Well, next, recognize the newest Member of the Military Veterans Caucus, Senator Walker.

SENATOR WALKER:

Thank you. I -- I wasn't fully prepared to bring up names of people. I will -- I'll tell you that what Memorial Day means to me. It -- it is exactly as the Senator has said, it's about humanity. The -- I served with a whole series of volunteers in Vietnam, and I was an enlisted man, and I didn't trust officers much. The -- but just to describe the people that I was with, there were college graduates from Yale, in my unit, on the ground, in the mud, in the jungle. There were people that had been sent by Circuit County Justices to get out of a sentence. There was a leader of a bicycle gang that was in some kind of trouble, he never would describe. And there were people that were really just young kids lost out of high school. Every one of us worked hard and fought for our country and believed in it, believed in fighting for our country and making ourselves, at least, maybe a better human being. The thing that I recall and not -- not all of us -- not all of us made it back. The thing that I like to remember on Memorial Day when I talk about it is that every one of these people

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was a member of a family. Every one of these people was the son, or in -- in many cases, the daughter of someone who has held that loss in their heart for 50 years, still to this day. The people that sacrificed for this country include their families, it includes their sons and daughters, their parents. There'-- there's no replacing that. The only thing we can do to make it worth mild -- make it worthwhile on a human basis. Is maybe recall or project the character that people can hold and build, in service to their country, and make it a - something that we can aspire to. And God bless them all.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Senator McConchie.

SENATOR MCCONCHIE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I want to just say how much I appreciate the opportunity that we take each year in order to remember Memorial Day. Take a moment to stop and pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. So, the rest of us can enjoy the freedoms that we enjoy each and every day. I always try each year to recognize a fallen soldier from the district that I have the privilege to represent. And this year, I would like to give honor and recognition to a fallen veteran and his family from the 26th district, Major Paul Syverson III. Paul Syverson grew up in Lake Zurich, Illinois. He was a member of his high school's 1987 State football championship team at Hersey High School in Arlington Heights, and he then went on to be commissioned at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington -- Lexington City, Virginia, before -- before deploying to Afghanistan. Major Syverson served in the Army's fifth Special Forces Group in the opening days of the Afghanistan War, and then he later transferred

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to the war in Iraq, where he was killed by mortar fire on June 16th of 2004. To remember him, the Members of the VFW post in Wakanda, Illinois, recently voted to rename their post after this fallen soldier in order to help his memory live on. It is soldiers that, like him, is exactly the reason why Memorial Day exists. And on this Memorial Day, my prayers go to his family, as well as all the other families who have experienced such great loss. One of the things that I would encourage everyone to do is, if you've not done so yet, is to stop at the Wall of Remembrance that is on the first floor of this Capitol building, right now, in the South wing and take a moment to leave a note to honor some of the veterans that were taken away from us while defending our freedoms. I think it's the least we can do. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Senator Plummer.

SENATOR PLUMMER:

Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. You know, on -- on Memorial Day weekend, I -- I sometimes get -- get irritated when I hear people say, 'Happy Memorial Day'. Because it's, it's -- it's not a happy day to a lot of families in this country. It's -- it's a somber moment, and I think it's a it should be a day of -- of reflection for -- for many of the reasons already discussed and for the resolutions that we passed earlier today. But, you know, at the end of the day, I think, we all know people who have been touched. We all know folks who have served. There's a lot of different stories. I was fortunate to be able to serve, I consider it, you know, one of the greatest opportunities I've ever had. But, you know, did very little in context to what others in my family and many other people have done. I think -- I think we --

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we sometimes lose track of -- of why we're really here in this Body. There's, there's a much bigger world out there, and there's much larger responsibilities out there and many unnamed people, many forgotten people, from all of our districts, have stepped up to -- to serve us in much bigger ways than sometimes we even do as legislators. And -- and they shouldn't be forgotten as -- as Calvin Coolidge once said, "The Nation which Forgets its Defenders will (be itself) {sic} also be Forgotten". And I think we must remember not just on Memorial Day, but every day, to remember those who -- who defend this nation and all the great things it's done for us, but all the great things it's done for the entire world. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Senator Wilcox.

SENATOR WILCOX:

Thank you, Mr. President. I think Senator Plummer touched on exactly why Memorial Day is so important to our veterans. There's a saying that our comrades are never truly forgotten unless their name is forgotten to be spoken. And so, as we name Memorial Highways, or have different events for Memorial Day, it's that aspect that we are remembering so that our fellow members are not forgotten. I'll talk about a couple of events that happened in our district that, that highlight this. The Veterans Network Committee out of Cary for many years now establishes a field of the Fallen and there is a Flag with a name for every Illinois resident who has fallen in service to the Country since the beginning of the Gulf War. That's in Cary. In Woodstock, around the Woodstock Square, all of the businesses host military uniforms back from World War II, Korea, Vietnam in their windows. If you find yourself

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out that way, it is quite a display through May and the Memorial Day weekend. But that's why we as veterans spend that time, not just Memorial Day, but throughout the year on behalf of the families and behalf of our -- our fallen veterans, that they never be forgotten by repeating their names. So, thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. Our final speaker, Senator Hastings.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. And it's, it's fitting, Senator Wilcox, to talk about speaking soldiers' names. We have six Members of the General Assembly, at least in the Senate, that are former veterans and it's amazing the camaraderie that we have between one another. And it crosses both are all the services, with Senator Walker coming to the Chamber, I realized that, you know, he had a very interesting job as a MAC, on the MACV team. About 30 or 40 years later, Senator, I served on an equivalent of that. And we kind of had a -- a lot of different, interesting stories with one another, which I really appreciate. We talk about, speaking the names of those that have fallen. I always mention certain names on Memorial Day because they mean a lot to me. Laura Walker was the first female graduate from West Point in our class to -- to get killed in action in Afghanistan. Colonel Tom Felts, we -- I served with him throughout Iraq. We had to recover his vehicle after it was hit by an IED. There's a long list of names, unfortunately, that I would love to say on the Floor, but it would probably take, a lot of time to go through those. But I want to thank our, our veterans here in this Chamber. I want to thank you to the staff members that we have that are veterans as well.

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Because I know today, we will all gather. We will all gather to commemorate Memorial Day. We're reminded of the sacrifices that are made by our brave men and women who've served our country with unwavering dedication, and this past month, I've had the privilege of attending Olivet Nazarene's ROTC Commissioning Ceremony, where I witnessed the beginning of military careers filled with optimism, energy, and commitment. These young individuals, barely in their early 20s, are starting their military careers and they embody the essence of service to our nation. So, among them were families from diverse social and economic backgrounds. Each were united in their pride for their loved ones embarking on this noble journey. Some hailed from affluent backgrounds, while others persevered through hardships to ensure their children had brighter futures. One such family stuck out to me. They had humble beginnings. They poured all of their efforts into their daughter, who chose a path of military service as a means to learn, serve, and uplift not only herself, but her family's future generations. And that's one of the special things about the military, is because it does uplift families future generations. Memorial Day is a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by our fallen heroes, whether on the battlefield or something that I've experienced recently, with the aftermath of conflict, it's the silent battles that reside in your head that sometimes take the lives of others. Or in lives dedicated to noble service. Those that didn't that weren't killed in action. Their selflessness extends beyond their own lives, and they served for the betterment of future generations. While reflecting on their valor and sacrifice, I can't help but draw on the parallels to the duties that we have here in the Illinois General Assembly. Just as soldiers engage in vigorous battles, we too, in this Chamber and

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outside of this Chamber engage in political battles. Sometimes there are petty war words, whether that be through ginned up newspapers, text messages, mail pieces, commercials, if you will. They use campaigns. Campaigns use tactics that are similar to the military, whether you think so or not. And yes, there's winners and yes, there's losers. And yes, there are families that are affected and the aftermath of decisions, made by those bring turmoil and chaos. And excuse me, as I get emotional, that very rarely happens on the Floor here, obviously. Those who fall victim, the strength, and their resolve, and their commitment make them want to fight harder for their people to find justice, to ensure the betterment of the next generation. This is how serious our duty is here. Because as we honor those and the memory of those who have sacrificed, let us remember that our actions here echo throughout time. They shape the future generations for those to come. And let us draw inspiration from our brave veteran's courage and resolve and let our service in this Chamber stand as a beacon of hope for progress for the next generation. So, I want to focus on these last two points. So, as we honor those who served on Memorial Day, and this applies to both sides of the aisle, not just one. Let us pay homage to the fallen by reaffirming our commitment to service, to unity, and the enduring values that define our State and our nation. And may we never, ever forget the sacrifices made. And the most important point, may we always strive to honor their legacy through our actions -- through our actions. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HARMON:

Thank you, Senator. On behalf of the Illinois State Senate, I wish to thank all those Members of the Senate who served in the

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military and shared their wisdom today. And I would invite all of us to rise, as able, to observe a Moment of Silence for all of those who gave the last full measure of devotion. (Moment of silence observed) Senator Koehler, in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

We are going to continue with resolutions. We're going to go to the top of page 12. We're going to start with Senate Resolution 532, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 532, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your resolution. Out of the record. Going to go to Senate Resolution 702, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 702, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your resolution.

SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution designates the month of September 2024 as River Clean Up Month. Calls for chambers of commerce and various organizations, schools and colleges to organize and coordinate river cleanup.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 702 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 716, Senator Tracy. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 716, offered by Senator Tracy.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Tracy, on your resolution.

SENATOR TRACY:

Thank you, Mr. President. My resolution urges the FDA to approve a certain type of feline treatment, cat treatment that addresses infectious peritonitis. It's a viral disease of cats, and it's caused by certain strains of a virus called feline coronavirus. I have a very dear friend who urged me to do this. She had a young kitten that suffered from this illness and her vet -- her veterinarian was not able to use this drug to save this animal, but she herself could do so once she was able to secure the -- the medicine. And fortunately, the kitten lived and still lives today. So, it's an important recognition. So far, the actual medicine is not FDA approved, but hopefully this will bring awareness and we can save other cats who suffer from this illness. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 7, I'm sorry, 716 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. It's going to go to - back at the top of the page. We're going to go to Senate -- Senate Resolution 532, Senator Morrison. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 532, offered by Senator Morrison.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Morrison, on your resolution.

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SENATOR MORRISON:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution urges election authorities to conduct outreach and trainings for qualified high school students to become deputy registrars in accordance with the Election Code. I appreciate the support of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 532 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Mr. Secretary, please read resolution -- Senate Resolution 737, Senator Faraci. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate...

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 737, offered by Senator Faraci.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Faraci.

SENATOR FARACI:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 737 recognizes February 18th as 2024 World Cholangiocarcinoma Day. I'd like to support that and ask for the Body to indulge me in their patience.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Could you repeat that, please? Seeing no discussion. Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 737 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 770, Senator Ventura. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution -- Senate Resolution 770, offered by Senator Ventura.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Ventura.

SENATOR VENTURA:

Thank you, Mr. President. May there be much jubilation as Amity Day is a day of friendship, collegiality, civility, respect and kindness, and above all, bringing people together. This resolution declares June 9th, 2024, as Race Amity Day in the Senate (State) of Illinois. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 770 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We'll go to Senate Resolution 775, Senator Villivalam, are you ready on your resolution? Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 775, offered by Senator Villivalam.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 775 states we shall recognize the cultural and historical significance of the Lunar New Year to Asian American communities. I would ask for everyone's support. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 775 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The Ayes have , and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 785, Senator Joyce. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 785, offered by Senator Joyce.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 75 resolves to urge each member of the Illinois Congressional Delegation to support the continued funding of the Affordable Connectivity Program so that low-income Illinois households can continue to receive the support they need to participate in the digital marketplace.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 785 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Mr. Secretary, Senate Resolution 796. Senator Halpin, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 796, offered by Senator Halpin.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Halpin.

SENATOR HALPIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. So, Senate Resolution 796 asks that the State of Illinois recognize Invisible Disabilities Week here in the State from October 20th through October 26th, 2024. Some of you may remember that several weeks ago, a young woman

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named, Megan Bowlyou, joined me on the House Floor as part of the Sunflower Project to bring awareness to invisible disabilities, those disabilities that may not be apparent or obvious when looking at an individual. Things like autism, and other conditions. So, it's an opportunity for us all to be aware of the people around us and recognize when another person may need assistance. Recognizing it in the week of October, of late October, but throughout the year shows that we care about others as human beings and want to assist them in any way we can. I would ask for your support.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 796 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 799, Senator Bennett. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 799, offered by Senator Bennett.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bennett.

SENATOR BENNETT:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Resolution 7-9-9, is basically - we ask to declare July 16th, 2024 as Atomic Veterans Day in the State of Illinois. And along with that, basically from 1946 to 1962, the United States conducted approximately 200 atmospheric nuclear tests, more than all other nuclear states combined at that time. Also, approximately 400,000 -- 400,000 servicemen in the United States Army, Navy, and Marines were present during these atmospheric tests, whether as witnesses to the tests themselves or as post-test cleanup crews. The Manhattan

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Project was the code name for the American-led effort to develop this functional atmospheric atomic weapon during World War II. It's important to remember and honor the achievements and sacrifices of the men and women of this nation who during their time of service experienced exposure to nuclear radiation while on active duty and served so valiantly in the cause of freedom. I ask for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The question is, shall Senate Resolution 799 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, No. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 802, Senator Bryant. Senator Bryant, on your resolution. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 802, offered by Senator Bryant.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Bryant.

SENATOR BRYANT:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution declares April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the State of Illinois. And I would appreciate an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 802 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 809, Senator Joyce. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 809, offered by Senator Joyce.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 809 resolves that we declare June 2nd through June 8th as Law Enforcement Civilian Personnel Appreciation Week. The civilian personnel are the people who staff our law enforcement positions but do not hold police powers. These positions helps officers focus on responding to calls where their police powers are needed.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 809 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate resolution 820, Senator Fine. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 820, offered by Senator Fine.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Fine.

SENATOR FINE:

Thank you, Mr. President. This resolution declares September 7th Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Day, one of 5000 live male births are affected by Duchenne's. The symptoms include progressive loss of strength and functions of the limbs and body, and later in life, the heart and lungs. Newborn screening in early diagnosis can improve health outcomes for those who are affected.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 820 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed,

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Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Skip down to the bottom of the page. Senate Resolution 868, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 868, offered by Senator Villivalam.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Villivalam.

SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 868 resolves that we encourage the utilization of small, diverse, and veteran-owned firms, as M/WBE and DBE programs have demonstrated success in promoting economic opportunity, equity and access and transportation contracts. This is a resolution to - signal to the - that State of Illinois is committed to these programs, despite some of the national conversations that are taking place to eliminate them. We want to ensure - the State of Illinois wants to ensure our commitment and illustrate the importance of this -- these programs to minority owned and women owned and veteran owned firms. I would ask for support from the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 868 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Turning the page to the top of page 13 is Senate Resolution 830 -- 883, Senator Villivalam. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 883, offered by Senator Villivalam.

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Senator Villivalam.

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SENATOR VILLIVALAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 883 declares June 7th, 2024 as Global Gandhi Youth Mission Day in the State of Illinois. On June 7th, 1893, Gandhi was evicted from a train after refusing to give up his first class seat because the compartment was reserved for white individuals only. Gandhi was a proponent for the principles of Ahimsa as he led and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. As Gandhi was a leader in India's movement to earn independence from the United Kingdom through the means of using nonviolence. In declaring June 7th, 2024 as Global Gandhi Youth Mission Day in the State of Illinois. I think, again, it -- it signals our commitment to nonviolence and respect for all living things and avoidance of violence towards other(s). I would ask for the Body's support.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 883 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senate Resolution 897, Senator -- Senate Resolution 898, Senator Cunningham. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 898, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 898 recognizes June 14th as Grandparent Alienation Awareness Day to encourage parents to support and foster positive relationships between children and extended family members when possible.

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PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Resolution 898 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the Senate Resolution is declared passed. Senate Resolution 936. Senate Resolution 957, Senator Johnson. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 957, offered by Senator Johnson.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 957 declares July 2024 as Parks and Recreation Month. Parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the State of Illinois. Parks and recreations are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of our community and region. Parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally and physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all Illinoisans. Parks and recreation programs increase our community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, and the attraction and retention of businesses and crime reduction. I ask for your support. Thank you.

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Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate

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Resolution 957 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Go to Senate Resolution 1018, Senator Rose. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1018, offered by Senator Rose.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Body. Recently, OSHA, filed rules to change the way that volunteer fire departments have to train, equipment they have to purchase. Needless to say, this could be devastating to many local fire departments and volunteer organizations. I've heard from numerous fire districts throughout my district, that are very concerned about this. I appreciate, for some reason their names aren't up on the board, but I appreciate Senator Halpin and let's see, Joyce, and Faraci from their side are joining me in this resolution, basically asking or urging OSHA to slow down, take this -- take this slow. Let's get this right, because the fear here is that sometimes a federal regulatory Body could issue these regulations and literally close a lot of our fire protection districts, and that would just be absolutely devastating for rural Illinois. So, I'd ask for its favorable adoption. Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Body.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 1018 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We're going to go to Senate Resolution -- Senate Joint Resolution 61, Senator

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Cunningham, Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 61, offered by Senator Cunningham.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Joint Resolution 61 recognizes June 27th, 2024 as Post-traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 61 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. I'm going to jump down to the bottom of the page. House Joint Resolution 58, Senator Joyce. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Joint Resolution 58, offered by Senator Joyce.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Joyce.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Thank you, Mr. President. House Resolution - Joint Resolution 58 declares June 15th as History Day in the State of Illinois. It recognizes all those volunteers at historical societies in Illinois that do all the work that they do to preserve and spread our history.

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Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall House Joint Resolution 58 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator

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Cunningham, in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

With leave of the Body, we're going to move back on the Calendar to near the top of page 12, where Senator Koehler brings Senate Resolution 632. Senator Koehler. Mr. -- Mr. Secretary, read the resolution. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we're going to do something that might be unprecedented here, we're going to adopt an amendment to a resolution. Mr. Secretary, are there any Floor amendments approved for consideration.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Floor Amendment No. 3, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler, on your amendment.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I wish to adopt the amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Is there any discussion? All those in favor say, Aye. All those Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Mr. Secretary, any further amendments approved for consideration.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 632, offered by Senator Koehler.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Koehler, on your resolution.

SENATOR KOEHLER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. And it's an

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honor to be breaking precedent here in terms of the resolution, but this is an exciting resolution. It's created by the students, really, at the Pontiac Township High School. And Senator Bennett is the chief co-sponsor on this. This is a group of students that have -- have worked year in and year out under the, you know, auspices of their -- of their teacher. And they have created what is called the 30 (by) 30 Task Force. And so, this amended resolution creates the Coordination Council under the IDNR, the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The Council - and encouraged to meet the minimum of two times a year to bring together relevant staff, agencies, students at Pontiac Township High School, and NGOs to develop a strategy implement -- to implement the 30 (by) 30 Task Force recommendations, 30 (by) 30 Task Force has met for the past couple years. They have talked about conservation practices. The amendment was because they had the wrong Department initially put into the resolution. And so now it's all corrected. I asked for an Aye vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Is there any discussion? Senator Bennett, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BENNETT:

Mr. President, if I may, I'd like to add to the comments from the Senator that's speaking about this resolution from a... Senator, I really appreciate your leadership on this, this has been a work and a great effort over a period of time. We've worked with the students in the Pontiac High School and the teachers there, and I appreciate the zoom meetings, the conversations, the questions, and the support that both of us have given them. And again, thank you for your leadership. It's been a great learning

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experience for the kids, and I think there's more that they're going to learn along the way. So, thank you for your leadership and I support you 100 percent on this vote Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Thank you, Senator. The question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 632 pass. All those in favor will say.. I'm sorry, Senate Resolution 632 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Koehler back in the Chair.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

With leave of the Body, we're going to go back to page 12 on resolutions. Senate Resolution 825, Senator Simmons. Senator Simmons. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 825, offered by Senator Simmons.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 825 would, essentially, encourage a forward-thinking vision for Du Sable Lake Shore Drive which I'm honored to represent as a Senator from 7th District. This resolution came out of the grassroots advocacy of multiple community organizations across Chicago that are advocating for safer streets, safer roadways that would accommodate all road users. So, not just motorists, but people who are on foot, the disabled, and of course, as a public transit user, just having dedicated lanes for -- for express busses. I live right off of Du Sable Lake Shore Drive and I'm honored to carry this resolution. I want to thank Better Streets Chicago for leading on

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this resolution and helping to encourage Members of the General Assembly to be forward thinking and advocating for recreational uses around Du Sable Lake Shore Drive and making that -- that beautiful, iconic American roadway safer, and even more beautiful for the next 100 years and beyond. I want to thank Senator Villivalam, Senator Feigenholtz, and Senator Peters for joining me and calling for this resolution. And I encourage all of my colleagues here to, whenever you're in Chicago to -- to take a drive down Lakeshore Drive. It's one of my favorite things to do for work and for recreation. And, I also, want to just say that, you know, thank -- thank you to Daniel Burnham, and his infinite wisdom, as a civic planner, and helping us to even have Du Sable Lakeshore Drive as a -- a roadway that abuts, you know, forever open and clear lakefront for Lake Michigan. That's -- that's a privilege I don't take for granted a lot of American cities don't have what we have in terms of the immediate access to the lakefront that can't be developed, and can't be acquired, and -- and can't be destroyed. So honored to carry this resolution. And thank you so much for the consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 825 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. We'll go to page 13 on resolutions. Senate Resolution 936, Senator Hastings. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 936, offered by Senator Hastings.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Hastings.

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SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This resolution urges Congress to support the mental health of first responders and create and pass legislation to remove existing barriers to mental health treatment for individuals who respond to emergencies for the benefit of all and provides Members with important statistics regarding mental health of first responders. Mr. President, this month is Mental Health Awareness Month and recently, in this Chamber, we passed out a piece of legislation that discussed \$0 dollar copays for first responders. That bill passed I believe it was unanimously in the House of Representatives and it heads to the Governor's desk. But Illinois is an example by that piece of legislation to provide \$0 dollar co-pays for mental health treatments for first responders. I think this should be a national initiative. One of the great things about Senate Resolutions is that we're able to send messages to various forms of government to urge them to act on behalf of constituents across our State and to - across our country. This bill is a great, great bill that we passed. This resolution sets the framework for our Congress to do something about it, as well. And I urge its passage. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Resolution 936 pass? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Moving on down further on the page, we have Senate Joint Resolution 64, Senator Simmons. Senator Simmons, on Senate Joint Resolution 64. Mr. Secretary, please read the resolution.

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Senate Joint Resolution 64, offered by Senator Simmons.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Senator Simmons.

SENATOR SIMMONS:

I thank you very much, Mr. President. Thank you so much for the recognition. Senate Joint Resolution 64 is a resolution that would honor John Lewis as a Commemorative Day in Illinois. I'm sure everybody in this Chamber is familiar with who John Lewis was. You know, just a profoundly influential civil rights leader who not only advocated and protested and marched so that we would have civil rights in this country, literally helping to push the federal government, push President Johnson to sign the Civil Rights Act. But what I personally admire about John Lewis and why I volunteer to carry this resolution is, Mr. President, this man took a brick in the head, on Edmund Pettus Bridge in Alabama, in the 60s. Literally put his body on the line so that, you know, African Americans, people like me could be able to vote, and just so many other constituencies, not just even African Americans who enjoy stronger civil rights to this day because of the profound legacy of the activist, community organizer, and -- and longtime serving Congressman John Lewis, who we lost just a few years ago. So, thank you so much for the consideration, Mr. President. I -- I asked my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Seeing no discussion, the question is, shall Senate Joint Resolution 64 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. The Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on

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Assignments to meet. Will the Members of the Committee on Assignments, please meet in the Chamber Front Room Committee on Assignments. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Lightford, Chair of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Executive Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 698, Floor Amendment 3 to House Bill 4261, Floor Amendment 4 to House Bill 4293, Floor Amendment 2 {sic}(1) to House Bill 4317, Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 5078, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3414, Motion to Concur with House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3581, Motion to -- Motion to Concur with House Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 3156; refer to State Government Committee - Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 4439, Motion to Concur with House Amendments 1 and 3 to Senate Bill 1779. Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 1038, 1049, 1052, House Joint Resolutions 57, 50 -- 65, 69, and Floor Amendment 2 to House Bill 5151. Signed, Senator Kimberly A. Lightford, Chair.
PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1054, offered by Senator Martwick and all Members. It is a celebration of life resolution, Mr. President.

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Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Says -- Senate Resolution 1053, offered by Senator Cunningham. It is substantive.

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Mr. Secretary, Introduction of a Senate Bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3960, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning local government. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR KOEHLER)

The Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. Please be on the lookout for any committee and caucus announcements. The Senate will stand in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

Senate come to order. Committee Reports, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Joyce, Chair of the Committee on State Government, reports - Motion to -- Motions to Concur House Amendments 1 and 2 to Senate Bill 692, House Amendments 1 and 3 to Senate Bill 1779, House Amendments 2 and 3 to Senate Bill 1960, and House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2682, and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 4439 Recommend Do Adopt. Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive Reports - Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 698, Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 867, Motions to Concur House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 317, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 860, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 2804, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3156 and House Amendment 3 to Senate Bill 3156, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3238, House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3412, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3414, House Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 3581 and House Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 3649, Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 4261, Senate Amendment 3 to House Bill 4293 and Senate Amendment 2 to House Bill 5078 Recommend Do Adopt.

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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 concurred with the Senate in the passage of a bill of the following titled, to-wit: Senate Bill 1289 together with the following amendment, which is attached to the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit. House Amendments 2, 3, and 5 to Senate Bill 1289. We have received Like Messages on Senate Bill 3268 with House Amendments 2 and 3 and Senate Bill 3563 with House Amendment 1. Passed the House, as Amended. May 25th, 2024. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit: House Joint Resolution 67, offered by Senator Bryant, adopted by the House on May 25th, 2024. We have received a Like Message on House Joint Resolution 70, offered by Senator Villivalam, adopted by the House on May 25th, 2024. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. They are substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR AQUINO)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 26th Day of May, 2024. The Senate stands adjourned.