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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

The regular Session of the 103rd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Jonathan Sharp of Trinity Lutheran Church, here in Springfield. Pastor.

PASTOR SHARP: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Thank you, Pastor. Please remain standing for the Pledge. Senator Johnson, will you lead us.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Lisa Yuscus from Blueroomstream seeks leave to video today's proceedings. Seeing no objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of April 12th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th, 26th and 27th, 2023.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal, just read by the Secretary, be approved unless some Senators has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journal just read by the Secretary, there being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of Tuesday, November 12th, 2024.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Mr. 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 CUNNINGHAM)

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

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1288, offered by Senator Villivalam and all Members. Senate Resolution 1289, offered by Senator Feigenholtz and all Members. Senate Resolutions 1290 through 1292, offered by President Harmon and all Members. Senate Resolution 1293, offered by Senator Belt and all Members. Senate Resolutions... Senate Resolution 1294, offered by Senator Joyce and all Members. They are all Celebration of Life Resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Resolution Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1284, offered by Senator Porfirio. It is Congratulatory. Senate Resolution 1285, offered by Senator Morrison. And Senate Resolutions 1286 and 1287, offered by Senator Villivalam. They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

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

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3990, offered by Senator Collins, an Act concerning appropriations. 1st reading of the Bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Martwick, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary reports House Bill 222; Do Pass. Senator Morrison, Chair of the Committee on Health and Human services, reports House Bill 814; Do Pass and House Bill 5373; Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Harriss, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

Point of personal privilege, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR E. HARRISS:

I would like to wish a very warm welcome to my parents, Steve and Sandy Conway, who are joining us today on the Floor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Welcome to the State Senate. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 1295 and 1296, offered by President Harmon all Members. They are both celebration of life Resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate Supplemental Calendar No.1 has been printed and distributed. Ladies and Gentlemen, the Senate moving to that

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Supplemental Calendar No.1 that has now been distributed, we will move to House Bills on 2nd Reading, starting with House Bill 222, Senator Collins. She indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 222, an Act concerning civil law. 2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. House Bill 814, Senator Simmons. He indicates he wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read the Bill.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 814, an Act concerning State government. 2nd Reading of the Bill. No committee or Floor amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. House Bill 5373, Senator Fine, she indicates she wishes to proceed. Mr. Secretary, please read House Bill 5373.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

House Bill 5373, an Act concerning government. 2nd Reading of the Bill. The Committee on Health and Human Services adopted Amendment No.1.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

3rd Reading. President Harmon, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARMON:

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Thank you, Mr. President. First, for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR HARMON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, we have been joined on the Floor today by two of our newest, youngest and cutest Senate family members, Miles Sodowski and his daughter Penelope, on the Floor. And Reena Tandon has her -- her son, Neil. I just blanked there entirely. I already see him. Neil is still here, so if you could, if you haven't had a chance to introduce yourself, please do so. And congratulations to our newest Senate family members.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

President Harmon, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please make your announcement.

SENATOR HARMON:

We had encouraged you all to prepare to be here for three days. The House did surprise us this morning by canceling their House Session tomorrow. It appears to me that the House, like we are, are having productive conversations about how to best protect Illinois citizens, residents, and their lives and their livelihoods in this new political chapter. But I do not expect there would be any Floor action tomorrow if we were to stay. So therefore, I'm sorry for the late notice, but we're going to cancel our Senate Session tomorrow and we'll return next week.

PRESIDING OFFICER (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

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President Harmon is recognized once again.

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. If I could have your attention, please. And if the Members could be at their desks. It is our tradition to recognize Veterans Day while we are in Session in the fall. Once every four years, Veteran's Day falls within the week of our National Presidential election, and after months of political rancor and divide, it seems perfectly appropriate that we come together today to recognize what's best about our country and our State. The fact is, the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces are the ones who have defended our right to disagree, who have defended our right to elect our own Representatives. And so, in that spirit, at this point in the proceedings, I would invite the Members of the Senate who have served in the Armed Forces to share reflections, if they so choose. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Wilcox, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR WILCOX:

Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR WILCOX:

So, I want to start by saying that -- and we were just talking about this that often our residents and our veterans in particular, don't understand and don't know how bipartisan the support for veterans has been in this General Assembly for well over a decade. So, I want to thank you all for that. Earlier this week, we observed Veterans Day. We came together as a nation to

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honor the courage, sacrifice and service of the men and women who have answered the call to defend our freedoms. Veterans Day is a day to reflect on the profound debt of gratitude we owe them. Those who have left behind families, their homes, their civilian lives to protect the values we hold dear. Yet, as we pause to honor their service, we must also confront an uncomfortable truth. Our veterans face an ongoing crisis when they return home from duty, especially after combat deployments. The transition from the battlefield to civilian life can be incredibly difficult, and for many veterans, the challenges they face do not simply end when they leave military service. Far too often, veterans struggle with deep psychological wounds that don't heal quickly or easily. Combat stress, depression, post-traumatic stress, and the trauma of witnessing or experiencing violence can leave lasting scars. For many, these wounds can manifest in a variety of ways difficulty concentrating, flashbacks, nightmares, feelings of hopelessness, and a constant sense of emotional numbness. In some cases, these struggles can lead to dangerous behaviors. Veterans may turn to alcohol or drugs to numb their pain or find themselves engaging in high-risk behaviors in a search of that adrenaline rush experienced in combat. They may feel disconnected from family, friends, and communities they once knew. Sleep disturbances, insomnia, nightmares all can leave veterans exhausted and isolated. And tragically, many veterans, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress or severe depression, are at a heightened risk of suicide. Recent data show that as many as 44 veterans die every day from suicide, overdose, other forms of self-harm. This is a national tragedy of staggering proportions. As a retired Colonel of the US Air Force, I've seen this crisis unfold firsthand. I

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have witnessed the toll combat takes in our service members, and I have known too many veterans who struggles with mental health became so overwhelming they saw no other way out but to take their own lives. These veterans served honorably, sacrificing so much for their country, and they deserve our unwavering commitment to their well-being once they return home. We cannot and must not turn our backs on them. The mental health crisis facing our veterans and our larger society is a problem that demands immediate and sustained attention. Too many veterans are falling through the cracks of an overburdened system, or simply not getting the help that they need in a timely manner. While some veterans are fortunate enough to receive care that helps them adjust and heal, others face long waiting periods of treatment or find that the therapies available to them are inadequate to address their complex needs. We must ask ourselves why? After all they've done for us, we are allowing so many of our nation's heroes to struggle in silence without the support they deserve. The mental health challenges veterans face are not just temporary issues. For far too many their long term, life altering conditions that require ongoing comprehensive care. Post-traumatic stress is not something that simply goes away with time. It is a disorder that demands attention, understanding, and treatment. Similarly, depression and anxiety can linger long after a veteran returns home. And while traditional treatments such as talk therapy and medication can help, they do not always work for everyone, especially when the trauma is deeply ingrained. We must be open to exploring new and innovative approaches to care. The scope of this crisis demands that we take bold and decisive action. I'm asking that everyone in this Chamber work together, put aside partisan differences, and

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develop real, meaningful solutions. We must also commit to being proactive. Prevention is just as important as treatment, and we need to invest in programs that help veterans build stable, meaningful lives once they return home. Our veterans have already given us so much. They have fought for our freedom, often at great personal cost. It is time for us to return that commitment to ensure that they receive the care, respect and support they deserve. The mental health crisis facing our veterans is a challenge we cannot afford to ignore and is one we must address together as a nation. Forty-four veteran deaths per day is 44 too many. Moving forward, as we recognize our veterans every November, let us honor them not just with words, but with meaningful action. Let's do our part to ensure that no veteran ever feels abandoned or forgotten. We owe them that. And I know that often in this Chamber, we look to other blue states for ideas. I noticed that just yesterday, New Jersey, announced a \$30 million public private partnership to end veteran homelessness. So maybe we all could take a look at that and find a possible path for something to deal with homelessness as well in Illinois. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Walker, for what purpose do you seek recognition? Go ahead and state your point.

SENATOR WALKER:

Thank you. I am glad to be here with all of the Members of this Chamber and all of my fellow veterans in the room. And thank you, Senator, for those statements. My mind, as well, often goes first when thinking about veterans to the sacrifices they made and the sacrifices they continue to make. But there is a fuller statement to be made about veterans in our society, and I would

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say there is much more. We -- we honor veterans because they honor us. They have American values that we all share. It starts with their first day in the military and goes through their entire service. I remember my first day, as we all do, who served. Stepping forward with a gaggle of recruits and taking an oath to defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies. I -- it -- the language following that actually says, and I will hold true, faith, and allegiance to same. And that is stuck with me my entire life as it has with the other veterans in this room. That is where we start in the military. The second thing that struck me the first day of basic training, the people got us together and trained us on how to maintain that faith and what is a lawful and an unlawful order, which is why during this period of great upset and great concern and great fear about what might happen, who might do what. All of this. We can depend on the training and the morals of our military, at least within our country, to protect us from chaos to the extent that they can. I believe that, and that has lowered my anxiety. And the other thing is that in the service we learn, especially when under stress, that we live as a team or we die as a team. That is true of this Chamber. We are a team here fighting for the same values. We learn one final thing in the field. We leave no one behind. As we move forward in this Chamber, move forward in this city for our State, we need to keep in mind four things; we protect the country, we protect the Constitution, we maintain faith in that, we leave no one behind, and the other thing is, we learn to never lie to the people who are on our team and never lie to our superiors, who at least consider ourselves -- themselves, our superiors. If we can maintain that we can meet what values our veterans stood for, and

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that is how we honor them as they honor us. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Porfirio, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR PORFIRIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Go ahead and state your point.

SENATOR PORFIRIO:

Thank you and in recognition of Veterans Day, I'd like to highlight my -- my colleagues' comments. Veteran suicide is -- is a national emergency and we have to confront it with a with a sense of urgency that that crisis warrants. That's why I'm -- I'm looking forward to the work of the Breakthrough Therapies for Veteran Suicide Prevention Advisory Council, and call that -- that council meets as soon as possible, so we could begin that -- that important work and have Illinois be a national leader in that -- in that crisis. The role of the United States, currently as the preeminent military power of the world, as a all-volunteer force of a democracy, is unique to -- to world history. And that -- that can somewhat maybe seem tenuous, but it's because there's a bedrock of young Americans who are willing to raise their right hand and serve. And service and patriotism, no party, no state, no county, no -- no municipality has a monopoly on that. We all come from -- from different walks of life, different backgrounds, and serve together for a common objective. The American experiment and the preservation of this union has survived due to the service and sacrifice of that. And -- and we owe it to veterans to govern and lead with -- with honor, and to make the country that they serve for continue to -- to go towards that ever more perfect union.

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It's the only thing that makes their service and sacrifice worthwhile. And we have to continue to -- to honor veterans, serve veterans, happy with some of the legislative victories that we have achieved. We've -- we begin funding the -- the Illinois Veterans Grant. I will continue to call and work for full funding of the Illinois Veterans Grants so we can unlock economic opportunities and access mobility for veterans. We want to make sure that veterans who leave Illinois come back to Illinois, that veterans and service members who come to Illinois to serve at Great Lakes Naval Station or Scott Air Force Base, Rock Island Arsenal, stay in Illinois, make it their home. And I look forward to that important work. I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle. And let us be an example that we can work together, that we can use the spirit of service members who've worked together through all different walks of life and put aside differences to protect this country and defend this country. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Hastings, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

I want to say thank you to the veterans in our Chamber here today. The camaraderie that we have, regardless of what side of the aisle we're on, is awesome. I always enjoy going out with Colonel Craig and calling him Colonel Craig and maybe having a nice pop with him and discussing today's current events, but

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everything from discussing our older veterans. I shouldn't say older, but more seasoned veterans like Senator Walker, who served in a younger generation than me and some of the other folks. But the camaraderie spurs me to make comments like this. The Army football team is 9 and 0. We've defeated Air Force already this season. The Navy team is 7 and 2, so we look forward to beating them as well. But -- but I just I'm really appreciative to serve as the Chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee here in the Senate. And it's really just an honor to stand here today. I'm a proud graduate of West Point, a lot of you know that, I've served in the Army from 1998 to 2008. I've had the privilege and honor and God's grace to have served in Iraq in combat and serving on the Iranian border and the Syrian border. And I've served alongside some of the best people. Not only that the State of Illinois has had, but also our country. Veterans Day is very special to me. Many of you know that for many reasons, but one of the most meaningful is that it provides us with an opportunity to reflect on some of the sacrifices made by veterans. Just as importantly, it allows us to talk to younger generations to help them develop an appreciation for what we, as veterans, have done for the country. And my son Mikey, who I love to death, he's in third grade now, and his teacher had asked him, "Can you have your dad give us some pictures so we can show them in school to the rest of the students?" So I picked out a few of them, and I was going through a few, and I was scrolling through them on the computer, and Mike walked into the office and he said, "Do you mind if I look at these pictures?" I said, "sure". He goes, "What's with the dude with the long beard and the big hat in the background?" And I said, "Well, Mikey, that's the Ayatollah of Iran. And they publicized him

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throughout on the border. And he said, "Well, that's a cool picture. He goes, "but what's the big smoke cloud in the -- in the background there?" I said, "Well, that's the mortar round. They shot at us when we landed in Iran or on the Iranian border." He's like, "Oh, that's cool." I was like, "Oh, that's great." Luckily, they didn't show any of those pictures in school. I didn't have to explain those pictures, but it was really -- it's nice to be able to communicate with my son some of the experiences that I had this morning prior to knowing that Senator Harmon was going to cancel tomorrow. I woke up at 4 a.m. in the morning to drive back home to my district. My daughter, Maddie goes to Saint Mary's Catholic School, and they had a mass for us this morning. It was really nice. The whole school attended. The entire school sang the songs that everyone sings in church. It was really great, and I had the opportunity to meet with our National Junior High School or National Junior Honor Society students at Saint Mary's, as well as visit with my -- my five-year-old daughter's now class, her preschool class, and I was able to answer some incredible questions from these young students. They asked questions like, "Mr. Hastings, Did you have fun?" "Did you drive a tank?" "Did you get to fly a helicopter?" The innocence of those questions reminded me of the importance of sharing our experiences and our stories with the younger generation. It's easy for them to be fascinated by the idea of serving in the military. But what we do on Veterans Day, whether it's participating in ceremonies or sharing our experiences, it's about helping young people understand the sacrifices that also come with wearing the uniform. These questions from young people also serve as a reminder of how important it is for us to pass down our values of service, sacrifice and

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patriotism. But also, on Veterans Day is not only a reminder for us to thank those that have served. It's also a reminder to all of us, especially for those in the State legislature. We must do more. And as Colonel Wilcox said, "We must do more to honor our veterans, but also to help them in their lives long after they return home." Many veterans, like myself, struggled with mental health challenges, some financial issues, and other hardships that we may never fully understand. But it's crucial that our government continues to support them, ensuring that they have access to the care and the resources they deserve. And as legislators, we know that we have the power to make a difference not just for veterans, but for our communities as a whole in supporting our veterans strengthens not only their lives, but also the fabric of the communities they call home. To all the veterans here today, I want to say thank you again and to all those who couldn't make it, thank you for your service, thank you for your commitment to this great country. Veterans Day -- Veterans Day is a reminder that our freedom isn't free, and forever grateful for those who have answered the call. God bless our veterans and may God continue to bless our United States of America. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Leader Curran, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR CURRAN:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR CURRAN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would just like to take a minute to thank our veterans who have and are still serving in our armed

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forces. These heroes have stepped up and in the danger, despite the risk, to protect us, our families and our freedoms. There are no words to adequately express our gratitude to these courageous servicemen and women, because it isn't their words that we remember, but it is their actions. However, I would like to take -- to honor a few of our Senate Republican family members that have served our country. We heard from Colonel Craig Wilcox, who spent 24 years serving in the United States Air Force, where he served as Commander of the 89th Airlift Support Group at Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. I'd like to note Senator Jason Plummer answered the call to serve at a very young age, joining the ROTC and serving his country as a naval intelligence officer in the world's finest Navy. Senator Dan McConchie joined the Illinois Army National Guard on his 17th birthday, where he served for 9 years as an infantry man and a military policeman. And finally, a valued member of our staff, Chuks Osagu, off here to my right, is a member of the US Army Reserves, where I'm proud to say he just completed his military police training. His dedication to serving a country he immigrated to is truly inspiring to everyone in our caucus and is a testament to the American Dream. So on behalf of our caucus, our entire caucus, thank you for serving your country, your State and the Illinois State Senate. And I want to say, God bless all of you. God bless our veterans and God bless the United States of America.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

That concludes our Veterans Day tribute. Senator Hunter, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HUNTER:

It was a point of personal privilege regarding this program.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to thank all of our members who served in the military. And I also would like to bring attention and to highlight a cousin of mine, Eddie Melton Sr., whose son is the current Mayor, Eddie Melton Jr. of Gary, Indiana. And on August 12th, 1968, while serving in Vietnam, he performed a heroic number of -- of -- of functions that saved his platoon, and as a result he was awarded the Silver Star Medal. And he made his transition this past Saturday. And I just would like to make you all aware that he died as a war hero, where he held off his entire -- and saved his platoon until an army ship came to rescue them while wounded in both legs and in his chest. So, thank you very much.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 68, offered by Senator Villanueva. Resolved by the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Illinois. The House of Representatives concurring here in that when the Senate adjourns on Wednesday, November 13th, 2024, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, November 19th, 2024, or until the call of the President and when the House of Representatives adjourns on Wednesday, November 13th, 2024. It stands adjourned until Tuesday, November 19th, 2024, or until the call of the Speaker.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 68, offered by Senator Villanueva.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

On the Order of Resolutions is Senate Joint Resolution 68.
Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Joint Resolution 68, offered by Senator Villanueva.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Senator Villanueva moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 68. Those in favor say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Villanueva moves -- Senator Villanueva moves for the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 68. All in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Joyce, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR JOYCE:

Mr. President, a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Please state your point.

SENATOR JOYCE:

Well, today, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate is one of our staff members from our caucus last day on the Senate Floor, and I just want to recognize it. In State Government, John Peebles and the Republicans worked very, very well together in helping those of us who are running State Government to look very, very good. And I appreciate John and all the hard work he's done for the Senate Democrats. I wish him and his entire new family all the success and congratulations.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Executive Committee, I just wanted to remind you upon adjournment here that you head to the - - to Room 212 for the Executive Committee meeting. We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar, celebration of life resolutions. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed to any of the resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CUNNINGHAM)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the resolution on the Consent Calendar be adopted. All those in favor say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. There being no further business to come before the Senate pursuant to Senate Resolution 68, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 19th day of November 2024, or the call of the Senate President. The Senate stands adjourned.

Perfunctory Session

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Pursuant to the director of the Senate President, the regular Session of the Senate is now in perfunctory Session. Communication from the President. Letter dated November 13th, 2024. Dear Mr. Secretary, pursuant to Senate Rule 2-10, I am scheduling a perfunctory Session to convene on November 13th, 2024. Signed, Don Harmon, Senate President. Resolutions. Senate Resolution 1297, offered by Senator Tracy and all Members. Is a celebration of life resolution and will be referred to the Consent Calendar. Senate

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Resolution 1298, offered by Senator Bryant. It is substantive. Committee Reports. Senator Castro, Chair of the Committee on Executive reports House Bill 5172; Do Pass. House Bills 587, 817 and 4476; Do Pass, as Amended. Appointment Messages. Appointment Message 1030582, Comptrollers salaried appointment, to be a member of the Executive Ethics Commission, Amalia S. Rioja. There being no further business to come before this perfunctory Session pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 68. The Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, November 19th, 2024 or until the call of the President. The Senate stands adjourned.