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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

The regular Session of the 104th General Assembly will please come to order. Will all Members please be at the{sic} (their) desks. Will all of our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Cary Beckwith, Grace United Methodist Church, Springfield, Illinois.

PASTOR CARY BECKWITH: (Invocation)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Pledge of Allegiance)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

BlueRoomStream seeks permission to video. Permission granted. Is there any objection? Seeing no objections, grant -- leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journal of January 27th, 2026.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

Thank you, Madam President. I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton 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:

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Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 3rd, 2026.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SENATOR GLOWIAK HILTON:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Glowiak Hilton moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal pending arrival of the printed transcript. There being no objection, so ordered. Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Reading of Senate Bills for the first time.

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Senate Bill 3333, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3334, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3335, offered by Senator Feigenholtz, an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3336, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3337, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning health. Senate Bill 3338, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 3339, offered by Senator Johnson, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3340, offered by Senator Guzmán, an Act concerning human rights. Senate Bill 3341, offered by Senator Guzmán, an Act concerning children. Senate Bill 3342, offered by Senator Guzmán, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3343, offered by Senator Guzmán, an Act concerning courts. Senate Bill 3344, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning criminal Law. Senate Bill 3345, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate

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Bill 3346, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3347, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3348, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3349, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3350, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3351, offered by Senator Bryant, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3352, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3353, offered by Senator Peters, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3354, offered by Senator Peters, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3355, offered by Senator Hills, an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 3356, offered by Senator Syverson, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3357, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 3358, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning -- excuse me, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3359, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3360, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3361, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3362, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3363, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3364, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3365, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3366, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3367, offered by Senator Morrison, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3368, offered by Senator Rezin, an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 3369, offered by Senator Tracy, an Act concerning criminal

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law. Senate Bill 3370, offered by Senator Tracy, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3371, offered by Senator Tracy, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3372, offered by Senator Simmons, an Act concerning public aid. Senate Bill 3373, offered by Senator McClure, an Act concerning elections. Senate Bill 3374, offered by Senator Porfirio, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3375, offered by Senator Holmes, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3376, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3372 {sic} (3377), offered by Senator Jones, an Act concerning agriculture. Senate Bill 3378, offered by Senator Jones, an Act concerning notices.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3379, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning property. Senate Bill 3380, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 3381, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3382, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3383, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3384, offered by Senator Ellman, an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 3385, offered by Senator Porfirio, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3386, offered by Senator Sims, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3387, offered by Senator Sims, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3388, offered by Senator Arellano, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3389, offered by Senator Arellano, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3390, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3391, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning education. Senate Bill 3392, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act

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concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3393, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3394, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3395, offered by Senator Hastings, an Act concerning courts. Senate Bill 3396, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning employment. Senate Bill 3397, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning courts. Senate Bill 3398, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3399, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning conservation. Senate Bill 3400, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3401, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3402, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3403, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3404, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3405, offered by Senator Fine, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3406, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 3407, offered by Senator Villa, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3408, offered by Senator Belt, an Act concerning transportation. Senate Bill 3409, offered by Senator Belt, an Act concerning agriculture. Senate Bill 3410, offered by Senator Cervantes, an Act concerning appropriations. Senate Bill 3411, offered by Senator Cervantes, an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3412, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3413, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3414, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3415, offered by Senator Martwick, an Act concerning civil law. Senate Bill 3416, offered by Senator

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Martwick, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3417, offered by Senator Castro, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3418, offered by Senator DeWitte, an Act concerning mental health. Senate Bill 3419, offered by Senator Villivalam, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3420, offered by Senator Cervantes, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3421, offered by Senator Cervantes, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3422, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning conservation. Senate Bill 3423, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3424, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3425, offered by Senator Rezin, an Act concerning revenue. Senate Bill 3426, offered by Senator Fowler, an Act concerning finance. Senate Bill 3427, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3428, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3429, offered by Senator Halpin, an Act concerning finance. Senate Bill 3430, offered by Senator Balkema, an Act concerning public employee benefits. Senate Bill 3431, offered by Senator Balkema, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3432, offered by Senator Ventura, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3433, offered by Senator Fowler, an Act concerning conservation. Senate Bill 3434, offered by Senator Doris Turner, an Act concerning developmental disabilities. Senate Bill 3435, offered by Senator Villanueva, an Act concerning transportation. 1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Hollman, Clerk. Mr.

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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 26, offered by Senator Hunter. Adopted by the House, May 30th, 2025. We have received a like message on House Joint Resolution 44, offered by Senator Johnson. Adopted by the House, October 28th, 2025. John W. Hollman, Clerk of the House. They are substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

At the top of page 2, Secretary's Desk, Resolutions. Senate Resolution 574, Lewis. Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 574, offered by Senator Lewis.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Mr. -- Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS:

Thank you, Madam President. Every year we celebrate the Circuit Clerks and the -- the Recorders. This is just recognizing their day again this year. Thank you very much and I appreciate your approval.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any discussion? The question is, shall 5 -- Senate Resolution 574 pass. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. This is a reminder; the bill introduction deadline is this Friday. Repeat, this Friday, February 6th at 3:00 p.m. Please file your bills as soon as possible. Thank you. And just a reminder everyone of committee hearings scheduled for this afternoon. We have the Executive Committee at 1:30 in Room 212; State Government 1:30,

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Room 409; Judiciary 3 o'clock, Room 400; Local Government 3 o'clock, Room 409. And Consumer Protection Pursuant has been canceled. Thank you very much. President Harmon, what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HARMON:

Point of personal privilege, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point.

SENATOR HARMON:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, If I can have your attention just for a moment. We celebrate milestones, here in the Chamber and with our broader family and one of the hardest things we do is to allow our great staff to move on to new and bigger and better challenges. So, today, is the last Session Day for my Deputy Press Secretary, Liz Mitchell -- who switched sides on me. She's going to go on to be the -- the Public Information Officer at the Prisoner Review Board and to take on some legislative duties, as well. So, we will not be losing her in the grand scheme, just here for our caucus. So, I wanted to thank her for all of her work, she started out writing for me when I was a Member and for several others who have come and gone here, but has done a great job and will be a great success in her new job, as well. So, join me in wishing Liz all the best in her new career.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Congratulations, Liz. We'll miss you. Senator McClure, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MCCLURE:

For an announcement.

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State your announcement, Senator McClure.

SENATOR MCCLURE:

Thank you, Madam President. Speaking of milestones, we had Senator Arellano have a birthday on Monday, and we have Senator Hills has her birthday on Friday. So, I'd like for the Chamber, if we could, to wish both of them a happy birthday.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Happy birthday to you all. Senator Edly-Allen, what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you. Thank you, Madam President, for an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please state your announcement.

SENATOR EDLY-ALLEN:

Thank you. Just wanted to make an announcement about COWL that we will have our annual membership drive and meeting on February 17th at the State Library from 5:30 to 7:30. We hope to see everyone there and become a member of COWL. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Thank you very much. Mr. Secretary, Introduction and Readings of the Senate Bill for the 1st time.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3436, offered by Senator Doris Turner, an Act concerning local government. Senate Bill 3447 {sic} (3437), offered by Senator Doris Turner, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3438, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning government. Senate Bill 3439, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning gaming. Senate Bill 3440, offered by Senator DeWitte, an Act concerning civil Law. Senate Bill 3441,

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offered by Senator Syverson, an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 3442, offered by Senator Fine, an Act -- an Act concerning criminal law. Senate Bill 3443, offered by Senator Turner, an Act concerning State government. Senate Bill 3444, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning business. Senate Bill 3445, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3446, offered by Senator Edly-Allen, an Act concerning safety. Senate Bill 3447, offered by Senator Walker, an Act concerning regulation. Senate Bill 3448, offered by Senator Koehler, an Act concerning regulation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Senator Hastings, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HASTINGS:

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

State your point, Senator.

SENATOR HASTINGS:

Madam President, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, I rise today to honor the life of a good friend, his name is James "Boz" O'Brien. So, my grandparents grew up behind town tavern called Reilley's Daughter. And I learned at about 4 a.m., what beer bottles sound like when they hit a dumpster and I became familiar with that because in the back alley, that's where it occurred. I also learned something about Mr. O'Brien, otherwise known as "Boz", that he didn't tolerate disorder, especially at Riley's Daughter. He believed in respect, responsibility, and taking care of his neighborhood. "Boz" was older than me, he knew my grandfather, my father, and my uncle. He understood families and generations and he seemed to know about just every Mount Carmel

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and Mary's kid coming home to celebrate a 21st birthday party. That kind of connection doesn't come from running a town tavern, it comes from being part of the community. Reilley's Daughter is not just a business, it's a place where people gather to celebrate, to grieve, to argue about Notre Dame football, and to look out for one another. That didn't happen by accident. It happened because "Boz" O'Brien and the family behind him. "Boz" is a good man, he cared about his neighbors, our community, and doing things the right way. And he also gave me life experiences that helped me, shaped me professionally as a lawyer, lessons about people, responsibility that no classroom -- or a classroom or anything could ever teach you. I was immensely proud to watch "Boz's" success and his son's success, and just as proud to see the continued success of our local tavern, which is a South Side institution that reflects the values he lived by. "Boz" leaves behind more than memories. He leaves behind a legacy of community, continuity and heart. Thank you, Madam President. I ask for a moment of silence.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Please rise for a moment of silence. (Moment of silence observed) Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 607, offered by Senator Collins and all Members. It is a celebration of life resolution, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

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, has there been any objections filed to any

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resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any questions? If not, the question is, shall the resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion is carried, and the resolutions are adopted. We will now proceed to the Order of Consent Calendar Congratulatory Resolutions. Mr. Secretary, have there been any objections filed in -- in -- in any resolutions on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

No objections filed.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

Is there any discussion? If not, the question is, shall the Resolutions on the Consent Calendar be adopted? All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries, and the resolutions are adopted. Mr. Secretary, 1st Reading of Senate Bills.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Bill 3449, offered by Senator Cunningham, an Act concerning State government. 1st Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HUNTER)

I'd like to remind everyone that I've read the list of committees. Please make your way to the committees at the time that they are scheduled to appear. There being no further business to come before the Senate pursuant to the House {sic} (Joint) Resolution 47, the Senate stands adjourned until noon on the 17th of February, 2026 or to the call of the Senate President. The

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Senate stands adjourned.