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- Speaker Hoffman: "The House will be in order. The House will be in order. Members will be in their chairs, please. We shall be led in the prayer today by Wayne Padget, the Assistant Doorkeeper. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off the cell phones, and rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Padget."
- Wayne Padget: "Let us pray. Dear heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to meet together today. As we start our work in the Capitol, please surround us with your love. Lord, allow us to see your beauty, feel your love, know your wisdom, and experience your power. May we find the comfort we desire in you and the strength we need in your name. Surround us with your presence and be with us in every hour of the day. May your love be the passion in our hearts, your joy be the strength when times are hard, and your presence be the peace that overflows in our lives. These things we pray, Amen."
- Speaker Hoffman: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance today by Rep... Leader Demmer."
- Demmer et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."
- Speaker Hoffman: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Greenwood is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."
- Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record show that Representatives Conroy, Yingling, Delgado, Ramirez are excused today."

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- Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Batinick is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle."
- Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Bennett and Mazzochi are excused for the day."
- Speaker Hoffman: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 112 Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Points of personal privilege, Leader Batinick."
- Batinick: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a couple quick points of personal privilege, if I may. Today, November 15, is my daughter's 15th birthday, so I want to wish her a happy birthday from Springfield. And good luck to my father who is having surgery on his back tomorrow. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Greenwood."

Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Greenwood: "I would like to welcome the Ugandan delegation to our State Capitol. Please stand. They're located in the Speaker's Gallery. Their... their host today is Larita Rice-Barnes, who is the CEO and founder of Global Impact Leadership Alliance. I would like to recognize the late Honorable Jacob L. Oulanyah, the former Speaker of the Eleventh Parliament of Uganda. He was a champion of connecting Africa to America. So, again, let us welcome them to this great State of Illinois and to our Capitol. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Welcome to Illinois. Leader Wheeler."

Wheeler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Wheeler: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I wanted to just make you aware that our very good friend, Leader Tom Bennett, is on the road to recovery. He had a very tough car accident a couple days ago. I spoke with his wife, Kathy, yesterday. I think Leader Batinick spoke with her earlier today. He's up and moving around now. Has some vision issues to correct, sombut on the right road. I just want to give a big shout-out to our good friend. Tom, we love you. Can't wait till you get better and look forward to seeing you, my friend."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Harris."

Harris: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Harris: "I'd like to welcome to the House Floor, and soon as a House Member, the new Representative from the 13th District, Hoan Huynh."

Speaker Hoffman: "Welcome. Representative Caulkins, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Caulkins: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Caulkins: "Thank you. Today, I would like to welcome the Lincoln Series to our House. They're up in the gallery, if you'd like to stand. We have Lincoln Series graduates Abby Oliver from DuPage County, Marissa Spencer from DuPage County, Pat Bonk from Cook County. We also have the Lincoln Series Board of Governors. Katie Justek from Cook County. Abby Walsh from Sangamon. And my wife, Jo, from Macon County. Welcome to the House, ladies."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Didech seeks recognition."

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Didech: "Personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Didech: "We had some very special guests in the gallery today representing Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh. HSS has launched a traveling exhibit called 'Darshana - A Glimpse into the Hindu Civilization'. This exhibit has been showcased in over 165 cities and 32 states across the USA, including four State Capitols and Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. Today, the Illinois State Capitol is honored to host the Darshana exhibits. Until 5 p.m. today, I would urge all Members to visit the rotunda to learn about 24 different topics, including yoga, mathematics, architecture, arts, and sciences. And everybody, please give a very warm welcome to the HHS (sic-HSS) representatives joining us today. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Elik."

Elik: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Elik: "I would like to welcome back my seatmate, Representative Charlie Meier, back to the House. We are very happy that he's back. I'm especially glad to have my seatmate back. And he is making his triumphant return today after his fall on February 18, and we're happy to have him. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Welcome back, Charlie. Representative Barbara Hernandez seeks recognition."

Hernandez, B.: "Thank you. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Hernandez, B.: "I don't know where to begin. I do want to say thank you. I have a long list of thank-yous. I want to thank,

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of course, all of you for helping me during that hard time. As many of you are aware, March 1, I was perfectly normal, working my Bills, and all of a sudden, I suffered a minor stroke. I didn't know I needed brain surgery until March 3... or March 2, and then March 3, that's when it happened. The surgery was long. It was for 10 hours. But I do appreciate everything you have done. Both sides. Both sides. Thank you for helping my family. Thank you for making sure that they were at home during this difficult time. Thank you for asking for me. Thank you for the text messages, the emails, the flowers, the food that you were able to offer my family as well. The support, even after the recovery. I was at home for two months and not being able to do anything, not being able to come back for Session. I practiced this speech, honestly, on March 1 because I was like... I had this idea that I was going to come back the next week. I thought it was going to be that quick and simple. And then I realized it wasn't, and that was very hard for me. I do want to thank, also, staff for the homemade breads, for visiting me at the hospital, for even driving me to the hospital. Thank you to the Speaker for making that happen. I did not know what a... what was going on. I know Tiffany asked me, do you want a wheelchair? I was like, no, I want to walk out here. Hopefully, nobody noticed, and I don't think a lot of people noticed during that timeframe. But I grabbed my stuff, walked down the aisle, and the next thing I see is the hospital. So, it was very difficult, of course. I am a workaholic, so I was still working in my hospital bed. That was what kept me motivated, kept me going. I do want to also thank the ... the Governor, the Lieutenant

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Governor, and the Comptroller for offering their space, offering food for my family during this hard time, for calling me. It was a surprise. Part of me was still thinking politically, like, mom, I made it. The Governor called me. And it was one of those moments that I... it was really hard. I... my parents did not know exactly what was going on until it had to ... we had to tell them. And they drove down. I do want to thank my colleagues, of course, of all of you for being there. But as well, I have two colleagues that came to the hospital with me and they were there for ... every single day. Representative Avelar, thank you for being there since the beginning. You were the one that came to the breakroom, and I told you, 'Like, hey. I don't feel okay. I need some help.' And after that, she stayed with me, even in the deadline week was still happening. Senator Villa, she was back at home in West Chicago and she drove down to come and help me as well. Thank you to my Latino Caucus family for helping me, making sure my Bills stayed alive. Edgar did a great job. I heard he got some push back from my Bills. I understand we don't agree on all, but I would hope that everybody was respectful to him because that was my Bills. He was just doing me a favor. I did not want those Bills to die. So, thank you. I do have special guests with me today, and it means the world that they're here. They're very busy individuals. I have the doctors here with me who performed surgery on my brain, if they can stand up. I have Dr. Dayoub, Dr. Kierbs with me. They performed surgery. Their staff, as well, were able to take care of me. And I'm still in recovery, but I'm here. Trust me, a few months ago I couldn't stand up, I couldn't

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feed myself, I couldn't do certain things. So, to be here with all of you, it's a great pleasure. We might not get along in some aspects on certain Bills, but I saw a different side of everybody. And I do appreciate the humanity that you guys brought. I felt loved during that time. I was not aware... I know the doctors were not aware of my situation either, that I was a State Rep. until we had to tell them towards the end. They were surprised, and they are appreciative we didn't tell them during surgery. But it's ... it's a great pleasure to be back, and I'm ready to work, ready to do more roll calls. A little... maybe not running around as much, but I'm just grateful, once again, for all of your love and support. And I also want to thank the media. Most media respected my privacy, and I appreciated that. Some bloggers, journalists, I know they are the first ones to put it on... on a few Web sites, but they did... decided to give me my privacy when I needed it. And when I was ready, I was going to tell the story. And I thank them for that. I know it's not easy. They want to make sure they share all the scandals that is going on. But I do appreciate. And I heard that some of you were able to help during that time, so I also want to appreciate that. From a family and from me, once again, thank you. I look forward to working with you. I do want to come by and say hi to a few people that I haven't seen in a while. And I'm happy to be back. Thank you, doctors, as well."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Brady."

Brady: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

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Brady: "Thank you. It's nice to be back with all of you. I, too, want to make a special recognition. In fact, nestled in amongst the brilliant medical team of Representative Hernandez is a special intern who's been helping me, Daveeion Calcote. Please stand up, Daveeion. He's here to visit us at the Capitol today. Thank you very much for all your help and service, Daveeion. Thank you."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Demmer."

Demmer: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Demmer: "I just want to say a special welcome to the House Floor and introduce you all to a future colleague of yours, the Representative-elect for the 74th District, Brad Fritts. Welcome to the House."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Mah."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Mah: "Thank you. Colleagues, I am beyond ecstatic to welcome five new Members of our Body who will be joining the Asian American Caucus. In addition to Representative elect Hoan Huynh, who will be the first Vietnamese American Member, we also have here with us Representative-elect Kevin Olickal, who will be the first South Asian male Member, Abdelnasser Rashid, who will be the first Arab American Member. Not with us today but who will be coming to join our General Assembly family, we have Sharon Chung, who will be the first Korean American Member, and Nabeela Syed, who will be the youngest Member as well as the first South Asian Muslim Member. So, join me in

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welcoming those who are here, and I'm just thrilled beyond belief."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Bourne."

Bourne: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege." Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

Bourne: "I'm here to introduce the next Representative for the 108th. No, I'm kidding. Ever since… ever since we adjourned, this little guy has asked, 'When do I get to go back to mommy's Capitol?' So, I picked him up early today from day care, and he wanted to say hello. Marshall DeGroot."

Marshall DeGroot: "Hi."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Meier."

"I would... I'm not going to be near as elegant as Representative Hernandez was. But to the whole General Assembly, I want to say thank you. I want to apologize for the Zoom in meetings when I got my feet higher than my head trying to balance an iPad in one hand and an iPad on the other hand and keeping the feet higher. So, I know those were not good pictures, they were not easily done. Four months to escape the basement. But I am back. I'm back to do the ... the work for the residents of my district. I'm back to work with everybody. I hope we can get a lot done. My... my volleyball career is now officially done and any other sports. But I'm back to do the ... the work of the people, for the people. And it sure feels good to be back in Springfield, which some days I really never wanted to say that, but I'll say that today. And then also, we have future Rep. Kevin Schmidt standing up here in the gallery to the right of us. And I'd like you to welcome him also. Thank you."

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Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Butler seeks recognition."

Butler: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Hoffman: "Please state your point."

"Charlie, it's always good to be back in Springfield. Come on now, you know that. So, it's glad to have you and Representative Hernandez back. You know, on September 1... and I'm sorry, Wayne. I'm wearing a hat on the floor. On September 1, Representative Keicher and I had a little bet on the EIU Panther-NIU Husky football game. And the lowly little lower division Panthers almost beat the mighty Huskies, only losing by a touchdown. But I told Representative Keicher that I'd wear a Husky hat on the floor and take him to dinner at Fatty's in DeKalb, which will be coming up. So, by the way, Jeff, EIU did outscore NIU in the second half. So, a moral victory. So, congratulations. It was a great way for the two of us to highlight our regional universities in Illinois and a great... great work that they do. The second thing I'd like to say and a point of personal privilege to my legislative assistant, Courtney Ausmus. It's Courtney's last day for me. She's going to work for the Senate. I don't know why anyone would want to go to work for the Senate. But Courtney will go work for the Senate. She's been a great member of my staff for several years now and has kept me on track. So, Courtney, thank you for all the work that you've done and best of luck at your job in the Senate."

Speaker Hoffman: "Representative Ann Williams."

Williams, A.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to acknowledge that today is the birthday of a couple of our colleagues. Representative Lindsey LaPointe and

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Representative Kelly Cassidy. But wait, there's more. To celebrate their birthdays, please join us tonight at Clique nightclub in Springfield for our Kellyoke-plus party to celebrate her birthday, Lindsey's birthday, and Andy Manar's as well. So, see you there tonight after 7:30."

- Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Greenwood, for what reason do you seek recognition?"
- Greenwood: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Democrats will request a caucus meeting immediately in Room 114."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Spain."

- Spain: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans will caucus off-site at 5:00. However, before doing so, it is my pleasure and would... could we please give a welcome to the House Floor of Madison Porter, who's a 15-year-old member of the local 4-H in Grundy County joining us here today as a Page. So, please welcome Madison to the House of Representatives."
- Speaker Hoffman: "Members, the Democrats will caucus immediately, immediately in Room 114. The Republicans will caucus off-site at 5:00. And now, allowing... Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."
- Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 837, offered by Representative Greenwood. House Resolution 838, offered by Representative Rita. House Resolution 839, offered by Representative Harris. House Resolution 840, offered by Representative Severin. House Resolution 841, offered by Representative Lilly. House Resolution 842, offered by Representative Flowers. House Resolution 843, offered by Representative Lilly. House Resolution 843, offered by Representative Mason. House Resolution 845, offered by

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Representative Wheeler. House Resolution 846, offered by Representative Butler. House Resolution 847, offered Representative Flowers. House Resolution 848, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 849, offered by Resolution 850, offered Welch. House by Representative Robinson. House Resolution 853, offered by Representative Reick. House Resolution 854, offered by Representative Severin. House Resolution 855, offered by Representative Mason. House Resolution 856, offered Representative Carroll. House Resolution 857, offered by Representative Conroy. House Resolution 858, offered by Representative Marron. House Resolution 859, offered by Representative DeLuca. House Resolution 860, offered by Representative Hammond. House Resolution 861, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 862, offered by Representative Moeller. House Resolution 863, offered by Representative DeLuca. House Resolution 865, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 866, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 867, offered by Representative Crespo. House Resolution 868, offered by Leader Durkin. House Resolution 869, offered by Speaker Welch. House Resolution 870, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 871, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 872, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 873, offered by Representative Gabel. Resolution 874, offered by Representative Robinson. House Resolution 875, offered by Representative Mason. House Resolution 876, offered by Representative Andrade. House Resolution 877, offered by Representative Davis. House

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Resolution 878, offered by Representative Crespo. Resolution 879, offered by Representative Chesney. House Resolution 880, offered by Representative Lilly. Resolution 881, offered by Leader Durkin. House Resolution 882, offered by Representative Friess. House Resolution 883, offered by Representative Lewis. House Resolution 884, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 885, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 886, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 887, offered by Representative Friess. House Resolution 888, offered by Representative Batinick. House Resolution 889, offered by Representative Haas. House Resolution 890, offered by Representative Haas. House Resolution 892, offered by Representative Weber. House Resolution 893, offered Representative Stephens. House Resolution 894, offered by Representative Hammond. House Resolution 895, offered by Representative Friess. House Resolution 896, offered by Representative Lilly. House Resolution 897, offered bv Representative Cassidy. House Resolution 898, offered by Welch. House Resolution 899, offered Speaker by Representative Harper. House Resolution 900, offered by Representative Davis. House Resolution 901, offered by Representative Weber. House Resolution 902, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 903, offered by Representative Mayfield. House Resolution 904, offered by Durkin. House Resolution 905, offered Leader by Representative Mason. House Resolution 908, offered bу Representative Cassidy. House Resolution 909, offered by Speaker Welch. House Resolution 910, offered by

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Representative Didech. House Resolution 911, offered by Rep. House Resolution 913, offered Barbara Hernandez. Representative Davidsmeyer. House Resolution 914, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 915, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 916, offered by Representative Butler. House Resolution 917, offered by Representative Butler. House Resolution 919, offered by Representative Costa Howard. House Resolution 920, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 921, offered by Representative Wheeler. House Resolution 922, offered by Representative Davis. House Resolution 923, offered Representative Weber. House Resolution 924, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 925, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 926, offered by Representative Keicher. House Resolution 927, offered by Representative Lilly. House Resolution 928, offered Representative Severin. House Resolution 929, offered by Representative Hoffman. House Resolution 931, offered by Representative Windhorst. House Resolution 932, offered by Representative Ammons. House Resolution 933, offered by Representative Hurley. House Resolution 934, offered Representative Jacobs. House Resolution 936, offered by Representative Lilly. House Resolution 937, offered by Representative Severin. House Resolution 939, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 941, offered by Representative Moeller. House Resolution 942, offered by Representative Hurley. House Resolution 944, offered by Representative Hurley. House Resolution 945, offered by Representative Ford. House Resolution 946, offered by

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Representative Manley. House Resolution 947, offered by Representative Harris. House Resolution 948, offered by Representative Evans. House Resolution 949, offered by Representative Bennett. House Resolution 950, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 951, offered by Representative Bennett. House Resolution 952, offered by Representative Mason. House Resolution 953, offered by Representative Davis. House Resolution 954, offered by Representative Mazzochi. House Resolution 955, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 956, offered by Representative Ford. House Resolution 957, offered by Representative Frese. House Resolution 958, offered by Representative Kelly. House Resolution 959, offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez. House Resolution 960, offered by Representative Kelly. House Resolution 961, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin. House Resolution 962, offered by Representative Flowers. House Resolution 963, offered by Representative Jacobs. House Resolution 966, offered by Representative Lewis. House Resolution 967, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 969, offered by Representative Buckner. House Resolution 970, offered by Representative Gordon-Booth. House Resolution 971, offered by Representative Mah. House Resolution 972, offered by Representative Spain. House Resolution 973, offered by Representative Jacobs. House Resolution 974, offered by Representative Ammons. House Resolution 975, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 976, offered by Representative Brady. House Resolution 977, offered by Representative Tarver. House Resolution 978, offered by

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Representative Buckner. House Resolution 980, offered by Representative Bennett. House Resolution 982, offered by Representative Ozinga. House Resolution 984, offered by Representative Ford. House Resolution 985, offered by Representative Greenwood. House Resolution 987, offered by Representative Nichols. And House Resolution 988, offered by Representative Nichols."

Speaker Hoffman: "Leader Greenwood moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolutions. All of those in favor say 'aye'; all of those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Greenwood moves that the House stand adjourned until Wednesday, November 16, at the hour of 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 16, at the hour of 11 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye'; all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House is adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order.

Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 836, offered by Representative Hurley; House Resolution 851, offered by Representative Evans; House Resolution 852, offered by Representative Butler; House Resolution 864, offered by Representative Halbrook; House Resolution 891, offered by Representative Batinick; House Resolution 906, offered by Representative Reick; House Resolution 907, offered by Representative Flowers; House Resolution 912, offered by Representative Mason; House Resolution 918, offered by Representative Scherer; House Resolution 930, offered by Representative Scherer; House Resolution 930, offered by Representative Slaughter; House Resolution 935, offered by

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Representative Mayfield; House Resolution 938, offered by Representative Kifowit; House Resolution 940, offered by Representative Lewis; House Resolution 943, offered by Representative Flowers; House Resolution 964, offered by Representative Mayfield; House Resolution 965, offered by Leader Durkin; House Resolution 968, offered by Leader Durkin; House Resolution 979, offered by Representative Marron; House Resolution 981, offered by Representative Manley; House Resolution 986, offered by Representative Stoneback; House Joint Resolution 93, offered Representative Swanson; House Joint Resolution 94, offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz; House Joint Resolution 95, offered by Representative Ford; House Joint Resolution 96, offered by Representative Haas; House Joint Resolution 97, offered by Representative Morgan; House Joint Resolution 98, offered by Representative Jacobs; and House Joint Resolution 99, offered by Representative Butler, are referred to the Rules Committee. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."