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Clerk Leone: "All assembled in these chambers, give attention. Would all those assembled in these chambers please give attention. Would all those in this chamber please give attention. The Secretary of State, the john... Honorable Jim Edgar sends greetings and proclaims that this day, the second Wednesday of January, 1989, is the day fixed for convening the House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Constitution. All persons, except Members Elect and their families are requested to clear the chambers and the provisional doorkeeper is directed to clear the aisle."

Doorkeeper: "Will all those not entitled to the floor please retire from the chamber. Will all Representatives Elect please be assembled in the chamber."

Clerk Leone: "May I have your attention please. At the Speaker's rostrum and ready to convene the House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly, in and for the great State of Illinois is the Secretary of State, the Honorable Jim Edgar."

Speaker Edgar: "The House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly of the State of Illinois will now come to order. First, I'd like to welcome all of the Members Elect to Springfield. To those of you who are returning, welcome back. Most importantly, to those of you who are here for the first time, welcome to the State Capitol in your new role. And I'd especially like to welcome the families that are here and particularly the families of the new Members. This is an experience that my family went through twelve years ago. Please enjoy today. As I've said before, the family members are the ones that have to go back home after today and do all the work, take all the phone calls. So

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this is a day for you to enjoy. It's a day that I know you look forward to, you worked hard for. To all the Members, I wish you well in your undertakings during this Session, this very important Session of the General Assembly. Quoting from the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, Article IV, Section 6(b). On the first day of the January Session of the General Assembly in odd numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from its Membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer. Before we get to that part of the business, we are first will be led in prayer by his Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, Archbishop of Chicago, Rabbi Ben Zion Kaganoff, Congregation ... Israel of Chicago and the Reverend Gary McCants, Pastor, Bethel-African-Methodist-Episcopal Church, Kewanee. I would like to call first upon Cardinal Bernardin and I would ask the Members Elect, their families and our guests in the galleries to please stand for the invocation."

Cardinal Bernardin: "Let us pray. Blessed are You, Lord our God, maker of the universe and shepherd of all. We praise and thank You for all the gifts and resources You have given us to help us carry out our individual and collective missions in the world. We acknowledge that politics is an especially noble profession when its practitioners work together for justice, peace and harmony, among all the members of the human family. When they reflect the values and address the basic needs of the people whom they represent, especially the most vulnerable in our society. At the opening of this 86th General Assembly, we thank You for the dedicated men and women who have been chosen by their fellow citizens to represent them in this Legislature. We ask You to look with favor on the Speaker,

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Michael Madigan, the other Leaders and all the Members of the Illinois House of Representatives. Keep them safe in Your service. Guide them and help them to work together for the good of all the people of this great state. Bless their plans and deliberations, bring them to success and reward them for the good they do. Blessed forever, be Your glorious name, Amen."

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you, Cardinal Bernardin. Our next speaker will be Rabbi Kaganoff."

Rabbi Kaganoff: "..... Our Heavenly Father, as we have gathered at the inaugural ceremony of the 86th General Assembly of the House of Representatives of our beloved State of Illinois, we pray, grant harmony and blessing, grace and compassion to all of us. Bless us all together with the light of Thy presence. For in that light, oh Lord our God, can we find the path of justice, blessing and peace. For what makes a state and its people great and strong, not architecture's graceful strength, not factories extended length, but people who will tolerate no wrong and give their lives to make it right to turn life's darkness into light. What makes a state that we can love? Not things that charm the outward sense, not mere display of opulence, but right that no wrong can remove and faith that no power on earth will turn and truth and God and honor to which all will yearn. This is the state that shall forever stand as a light upon a nation's hill. A voice that no power on earth can still. A source of blessings to our land. It's strength, not bricks, nor stone, nor wood, but justice, love and brotherhood. As this Assembly will bring us into the final decade of the twentieth century, we pray that all of us may witness the fulfillment of the vision of Thy ancient prophets. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore, but the glory

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of the Lord shall be revealed and all men, all people will see it together. Amen."

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you, Rabbi. Our last speaker will be Reverend McCants."

Reverend McCants: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary and Speaker Michael J. Madigan, for this opportunity to speak to my Heavenly Father. On behalf of the Members and friends of this 86th General Assembly may we pray. Oh Lord, bless this House this day and all who are under the sound of Your humble servant's voice. Oh Lord our God, as we come here today to charge these men and women, elected by the people of this state to represent us in this 86th General Assembly, to do the impossible in the shortest amount of time, we also come to bring peace. We bring peace like a river. Peace, which passes all understanding, peace of conscious of mind and heart, as only You can provide. We present to Thee, oh Lord, these who have dreams and visions of how it ought to be in this great State of Illinois for the homeless, whose number defy imagination. We present to You these who will champion the cause of education for the children, especially the poor as they balance the needs of those who teach with those who are taught. We bring these with a desire to build torn economic structures in our communities. These who seek to merge the interest of business and industry with those of the worker and the consumer. We present to You as well, many who have returned to continue their work on the immediate as well as long term goals of adequate health care for all Illinois citizens. Safe and decent housing for the poor and the elderly. Clean air and water and safe neighborhoods for our children. It is our hope and our prayer that those who know You, whom we charge to do what they have been elected to do, will do so with diligence and care. Those who have

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accomplished so much shall do so much more with You by their side. May all of them consider what Solomon said, 'Trust in the Lord with all of your heart. Lean not to your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your path.' If we trust in Thee, oh Lord, Your word says You will bring it to pass. While weeping may endure for a night, we now know that joy cometh in the morning. As we come down from this place, allow us to consider what Helen Styner Rice said in her poem in 'God We Trust.' These words I pray. 'Oh God, our helping age has passed, our hope in years to be. Look down upon the present and see our need of Thee. For in this age of unrest with danger all around, we need Thy hand to lead us to higher safer ground. We need Thy help in counsel to make us more aware, that our safety and security lie solely in Thy care. And as we fight for freedom, make our way and purpose clear. And in our hours of danger, may we feel Thy presence near.' And, oh God, given this particular opportunity, it gives me pleasure to pray to You, oh Lord, my God, as we who knew him, remember Gary Hall, a fallen Member of the Speaker's Staff, who just two years ago was here and who orchestrated and carried on these very ceremonies. We consider him at this hour, his family and his friends. It is in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, we pray. Amen."

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you. Thank you, Reverend McCants. If you'd please remain standing. I'd like to ask Representative Gordon Ropp to plead... lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance."

Ropp - 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."

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Speaker Edgar: "Thank you. You may be seated. For the duration of the organizational proceedings, I have appointed the following provisional officers. As provisional Clerk, Anthony J. Leone, Jr. As provisional Doorkeeper, Keith Long. And as provisional Parliamentarian, Mark Bozel. I'd also at this time like to recognize other state officials who have joined us for this proceeding. First, I'd like to introduce the Comptroller of the State of Illinois, Mr. Roland Burris. Is the Auditor General... Bob Cronson with us? My staff says so, but I don't see. Okay. Well, we'll change staff, next audit. I'd like to introduce from the Supreme Court, Justice Ward. Also from the court, I'd like to introduce Justice Calvo, former Member of the Illinois House. Also, I'd like to introduce Justice Stamos. Also, just joined us, I'd like to introduce the Treasurer of the State of Illinois, Mr. Jerry Cosentino. Also with us is the Deputy Governor of the State of Illinois, former Member of the Illinois House of Representatives, Mr. Jim Riley. The provisional Clerk will call the Roll of Members elected to the 86th General Assembly. The Roll will be called in alphabetical order as certified by the State Board of Election with one change. The Secretary of State has received a letter from Representative Elect Rea, which states that he will refuse to take the oath of office that is required to serve as a Member of the 86th General Assembly. Under the election laws of our state, a vacancy in office occurs when the person elected to the office refuses to take the oath of office. Therefore, the seat for the 117th Representative District is vacant because of Representative Elect Rea's refusal to take the oath of office. The Secretary of State has received an appointment from the Democratic Representative Committee of the 117th Representative District, appointing Mr. Larry Woolard to

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fill the vacancy of Mr. Jim Rea for the 86th General Assembly. The provisional Clerk will enter the name of Larry Woolard in the Roll of Representative Elect and strike the name of James F. 'Jim' Rea. He will now proceed with the Attendance Roll Call. If the Members will please answer 'present'. Mr. Clerk, call the Roll."

Clerk Leone: "Ackerman. Balanoff. Barger. Barnes. Black. Bowman. Breslin. Brunsvold. Bugielski. Capparelli. Churchill. Countryman. Cowlshaw. Cullerton. Curran. Currie. Daley. Daniels. Davis. DeJaegher. DeLeo. Deuchler. Didrickson. Doederlein. Dunn. Edley. Ewing. Farley. Flinn. Flowers. Frederick. Giglio. Giorgi. Goforth. Granberg. Hallock. Hannig. Harris. Hartke. Hasara. Hensel. Hicks. Hoffman. Homer. Hultgren. Johnson. Lou Jones. Shirley Jones. Keane. Kirkland. Klemm. Krska. Kubik. Kulas. Lang. Laurino. LeFlore. Leitch. Leverenz. Levin. Madigan. Martinez. Matijeovich. Mautino. Mays. McAuliffe. McCracken. McGann. McNamara. McPike. Morrow. Mulcahey. Novak. Myron Olson. Robert Olson. Parcells. Parke. Bernard Pedersen. William Peterson. Petka. Phelps. Piel. Preston. Pullen. Regan. Rice. Richmond. Ronan. Ronan. Ropp. Ryder. Saltsman. Santiago. Satterthwaite. Shaw. Sieben. Stange. Steczo. Stephens. Stern. Sutker. Tate. Terzich. Trotter. Turner, 'present'. Van Duyne. Wait. Weaver. Weller. Wennlund. White. Williams. Williamson. Wojcik. Wolf. Woolard. Anthony Young. Wyvetter Young. Zickus."

Speaker Edgar: "All 118 Representative Elect having answered the Roll Call and being in attendance, a quorum is present and the House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly is officially convened. The provisional Clerk will enter the Attendance Roll in the Journal. I now have the honor

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of presenting the Honorable Dan Ward, Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, who will administer the constitutional oath of office. Following which each Member should execute the written note on their desk to be filed with my office. Justice Ward."

Justice Ward: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Will the Members Elect please stand and repeat after me. I..."

Members - et al: "I..."

Justice Ward: "... Your name..."

Members - et al: "... (Members state their name)..."

Justice Ward: "... Do solemnly swear..."

Members - et al: "... Do solemnly swear..."

Justice Ward: "... That I will support..."

Members - et al: "... That I will support..."

Justice Ward: "... The Constitution of the United States..."

Members - et al: "... The Constitution of the United States..."

Justice Ward: "... And the Constitution of the State of Illinois..."

Members - et al: "... And the Constitution of the State of Illinois..."

Justice Ward: "... And that I will faithfully discharge..."

Members - et al: "... And that I will faithfully discharge..."

Justice Ward: "... The duties..."

Members - et al: "... The duties..."

Justice Ward: "... Of the office..."

Members - et al: "... Of the office..."

Justice Ward: "... Of a Member of the House of Representatives..."

Members - et al: "... Of a Member of the House of Representatives..."

Justice Ward: "... Of the State of Illinois..."

Members - et al: "... Of the State of Illinois..."

Justice Ward: "... To the best of my ability..."



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Members - et al: "... To the best of my ability."

Justice Ward: "Thank you. May I, personally and in behalf of my colleagues, congratulate the Members and express the confident hope that your service, in behalf of the people of our state, will be truly distinguished and rich."

Speaker Edgar: "Let me offer my congratulations and please remind you to make it official, execute those documents you have on your desks. The Pages will pick them up. You don't have to bring them down here. I'd like the House to be at ease for just a few moments while we ask everyone who is not a Member of the Illinois House to please retire to the galleries or to other rooms in the area that has closed circuit television. It's very important that only Members remain on the floor as we continue to elect the Speaker of the House. We might mention there's a closed circuit television in Room 114 on the first floor and in Representative Madigan's Office, in Representative Daniel's Office."

Clerk Leone: "All persons, except Members and authorized staff, are asked to withdraw from the chamber at this time. Please retire to the gallery and there is also closed circuit television in Room 114 on the first floor of the Capitol Building. Would all persons, except Members and authorized staff, please withdraw from the chambers. Thank you. If there are any Members that need a written oath of office please come to the well."

Speaker Edgar: "Please come to order."

Clerk Leone: "Would all persons, except Members and authorized staff, please withdraw from the chamber, retiring either to the gallery or to Room 114 where there is closed circuit television."

Speaker Edgar: "Under Article IV, Section 6(b) of the Constitution, the first order of business of this House is

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the election from its Members a Speaker as presiding officer. Sixty votes shall be required for the election of Speaker. The House is now governed by the rules of the House of Representatives of the 85th General Assembly, which are made applicable to these proceedings by Section 3 of an Act relating to the operations of the General Assembly and to repeal certain Acts therein, approved July 7th, 1967, as amended; which provides that the person receiving a majority of the votes of the Members elected shall be declared elected Speaker. Those rules further provide ten minutes per Member for debate and one minute for explanation of vote for Members who have not previously spoken in debate to the point. With the consent of the House, I would like to limit nominating speeches to no more than ten minutes and seconding speeches to no more than five minutes. I would then permit three minutes debate time on the vote itself or one minute for explanation of vote by any Member not previously having spoken on the Roll Call for the election of Speaker. Is there consent? Hearing no objection, consent is granted. Nominations are now in order for the Office of Speaker. The Gentleman from Madison, Representative McPike is recognized to offer a nomination."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, congratulations to each and everyone of you who took the oath of office a few minutes ago and are now Members of the 86th General Assembly. Some of you may go on to other elective offices, as past Members and as some of our guests here today; from my county, Justice Horace Couvil, Secretary Jim Edgar, Deputy Governor Jim Riley have done. But in my opinion, nothing can bestow upon you more honor than being a Member of one of the greatest deliberative bodies in this country,

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the Illinois House of Representatives. In Democratic elections, in 118 individual and unique districts you have each prevailed and you each now represent the views and the hopes of nearly 100,000 constituents. You must represent all of your constituents, but you will not always be able to represent all of their views because the views of your constituents will often be in conflict. In our unique and wonderful form of government it is up to you to decide what is best for your district. It is what makes this job so difficult and yet so rewarding. Let me ask you to never forget that this Legislature is a coequal branch of government responsible for the formulation and passage of laws and the adoption of budgets. The pride you take in your office and the dedication you give to this Body will help ensure that this institution remains a full partner in government. The first thing as a Body that we must do today is elect a Speaker. I would like to quote from a recent novel by William Saphire entitled 'Freedom'. A book that covers the first 21 months of Abraham Lincoln's Presidency. Quote, 'Of that central purpose Lincoln was in no doubt. The nearly two years of war had shaken him, drained him, aged and hardened him, but he was dead certain that he was right in his basic idea. If the experiment of this Republic was to work, the majority had to rule all the time with no exceptions. That was the essence of self-government. If a city or state or section that was in the minority, on any question, could just pick up and go when the majority ruled the other way, then there would be no hope for democracy here or anywhere in the world. And if democracy could not take root in the new world, where the people had shown they had the will to overpower kings, then government by the people would stand revealed as an absurdity.' Lincoln was certain of that in his soul. The

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success of the American experiment rested on the willingness of the minority to acquiesce an electoral defeat. Next week this great country will have a new president because the majority has spoken. Today, the majority of the elected Members on this floor will elect a Speaker to govern this Body. We hope that the minority will join in our selection, knowing well that the Speaker like each and everyone of you, will represent all of your constituents but will occasionally be unable to represent the conflicting views of all of your constituents. Without question it is not easy to be leader of this Body. Each and everyone of you was elected on your own in your own districts, on your own merits. No one is here because they're shy or bashful or introverted. You are elected because you're outgoing individuals, concerned with your community and involved in your community. Each and everyone on this House floor is a leader in his own community. So today, in all humility, we must elect a leader of leaders. We did this in 1983, 1985, in 1987 and we will elect a leader of leaders again today. Not a follower, a leader. Not a dictator, a compromiser. Not a weather vane, a consensus builder. Not someone who abdicates the power of this Legislative Branch, but a Speaker who fights for the constitutional rights of this great Body. It would be silly to list all of the accomplishments of the last six years and give the Speaker full credit for passing them. But it would be equally naive not to fully recognize the contribution to the process that he has made. When he was first sworn in, in 1983, he said that number one on his agenda was a solution to the unemployment insurance crisis. No one believed that this state could repay the federal government two billion dollars in four years. But we did it. And we went on to

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sign an additional five year agreement on unemployment insurance and we effectively removed that as a political issue. From 1983 until today every major issue that came before this Body was addressed, debated and sent in some form to the Governor. And 95% of the major issues before this Body went to the Governor with bipartisan support, reflecting the Speaker's strong desire to compromise. From unemployment insurance to worker's compensation to McCormick Place, the RTA, the White Sox, Chicago school reform; issue after issue, it was the Speaker who provided the direction, the push and yes, sometimes the votes necessary to get them to the Governor's desk. For six straight years under the Speaker's Leadership, the Illinois House, the Illinois House has shaped statewide policy and the General Assembly has been duly recognized as a strong coequal branch of government. The Speaker has restored order and professionalism and pride to this great Body. What else does he do? I think everyone knows. He works harder than we do. He's here at seven in the morning. He never leaves before eight at night. He makes time for every Legislator that wants to see him. And you forget about the problem long before he ever forgets about it. He knows the Calendar better than most people on the floor. He knows which Bills are yours and he knows which Bills are important to you. He's devoted over half of his adult life to this Body. He gives us his very best every single day. He's not God. He's not perfect. He's not without fault. He even makes mistakes, but he has been and will continue to be one of the great Speakers of this House with a record of accomplishment unparalleled in recent memory. He makes me, and I hope each and everyone of you, proud to wear the title, State Representative. On April 19th, 1942, Mrs. Mary Rita Madigan gave birth to a baby boy. As he grew and

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matured he graduated from St. Ignatius High School, the University of Notre Dame, ranked number one in football this year and Loyola University Law School. He served as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention. In 1970, was elected as a State Representative from the 27th district. In 1976, he married Shirley Roumagoux and is now the father of four beautiful children. In 1983, he was elected Speaker of the 83rd General Assembly. In 1985, he was elected Speaker of the 84th General Assembly. 1987, he was elected Speaker of the 85th General Assembly and today he will be elected Speaker of the 86th General Assembly. A smart, tough but compassionate leader. He has brought wisdom and vision to his office and he has restored power and pride and self-respect to this Body and to us. I am personally very proud and deeply honored to place into nomination for Speaker of the Illinois House a great statesman and a special friend, Michael J. Madigan."

Speaker Edgar: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative McPike places in nomination the name of the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Michael J. Madigan for Speaker of the House. Is there a second to this nomination? The Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Stern."

Stern: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I rise proudly to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan for Speaker. I am a suburban Democrat, that's an oxymoron like giant shrimp and military intelligence and so on. I am not an Independent, I am a Democrat and that is why I am proud of having this opportunity. As Representative McPike told you and as I plan to echo, each person sitting in one of these blue chairs is a winner in his or her own right. There are 118 huge egos in this chamber. There are 118 different mandates in this chamber and each one of these must be attended to. If you think that we are going to elect a

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milkstop for Speaker, Chicago Tribune notwithstanding, you are much mistaken. We are going to elect a strong, tough, smart Representative. Yes there are times when I disagree with our Speaker. I disagree with him on the need for an income tax increase. I disagree with him on the fate of the Election Law Committee, however there are things about Michael Madigan that I admire inordinately. He is a very skilled politician and that is not a plagiaritive term. It is a honorable calling indeed, as I'm sure each of you recognizes. He cares about his Members. He cares about our concerns. They are his concerns also. He has a passion for order. He is a man who plans. That is very important to each of us. It is therefore with great pride and a great feeling of honor and gratification that I second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan, the little dictator, for Speaker of the Illinois House."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Farley."

Farley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I also rise to second the nomination of Michael Madigan for Speaker of this chamber. Some sixteen years ago when I became a Member of this Body, I served with Mike Madigan on several committees when he was just a Member. Mike Madigan's dedication to his constituents and to the legislation that was before this chamber was indeed an indication of his future in this chamber. He served with distinction. He worked hard. He made sure that that legislation in committee and on this floor was promoted to the best of his ability to the benefit of the people of this great state. Some sixteen years ago I learned from Mike Madigan, I learned that you have to sit down and talk to the other side. I learned that you have to work hard and go back to your district and report back to your people

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of what you are doing for them. His hard work as a Member and his hard work as an Assistant Majority Leader under the Leadership and Speakership of Bill Redman, catapulted him into his present position as Speaker. The previous speakers have talked about his dedication and his hard work, his long hours, his thoughtfulness, his tough decisions and the professionalism that he has brought to this chamber. I would echo those comments and I would add to that that we have to look now to the 90's. It seems like just yesterday when we were talking about looking to the 80's. This is 1989. This is our last year of the 80's, 90's are approaching. We have to have somebody to take this Body down the road to a successful program for the people of the State of Illinois and for all of our constituents, a personal, a dedicated and a caring cause. I, therefore, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen, am proud to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan, the Speaker of this chamber."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Anthony Young."

Young: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I, too, proudly rise to second the nomination of Michael Madigan for Speaker of this House. The job of Speaker is indeed an awesome one. I compare this House to a ship. A ship whose waters are stormy in the best of times and quite often reach typhoon and hurricane proportions. The reason for that is obvious because we are 118 individuals who represent 118 very diverse censurers. We have competing interest in this Body of Democrats and Republicans. We have upstaters and downstaters. We have city dwellers and farm dwellers, urban and rural, male and female, black and white and brown. All these interests do indeed make for stormy waters. And the Speaker of this



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House has to have the strength and the ability to keep our ship from capsizing during stormy times. Our Speaker has shown that he indeed has the organizational skill, the negotiating skill, the skill to mediate, again not dictate, mediate, and the commitment to spend the time and to utilize his abilities in all of our interests. I truly believe that his primary motivation as we struggle through our Sessions is indeed to keep our ship, not just afloat, but on a course that is in the best interest of the people of the State of Illinois. And I proudly second his nomination."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Saline, Representative Phelps."

Phelps: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, families and guests. I, also rise proudly to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan for Speaker of the House, the 86th General Assembly. It was four years ago at this time when I first was privileged to address this great Body. Quite frankly, I was very apprehensive about not only the responsibility that was before me as a Member, but also what concerned me was the type of people I would be dealing with from all over this great state. It was said by many back home, the deep south, the southern most ten counties of this state, that you got your work cut out for you. Seemingly, the views of many back home that there's not very many reasonable people from Chicago or north. As my first words four years ago in this House on behalf... on behalf of Michael Madigan at that time, I rose for reasons that were very different than they are today. One of the greatest assets that I quickly recognized serving in this Body was the great diversity of the State of Illinois that we have in Members, problems, resources and strengths. And also at that time it was very obvious to me of what a great

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challenge lay before a Member who could lead a Body that represents such a great diversity. How does one select a leader that faces the challenge of being an effective leader and yet trying to accommodate the Members who have been elected from each district of this state? I felt like I could not ask that leader anymore than I asked the Members who sent me on their behalf from my district. Quite frankly, I think I should've required of them that I have tried to meet that commitment to be accessible, responsive, to listen, to be trusted and most of all probably to care. In every instance that I've approached Michael J. Madigan, he has stood beside me. When I asked him to help farmers who are faced with drought conditions, facing foreclosures, he stood with me. When I asked him to assist me with coal miners being laid off in my district, he stood by me. Let's organize a select committee on coal marketing, which I'm vice-chairman, he demonstrated quickly, responsive. On behalf of small business crying out, on behalf of senior citizens faced with high utilities, the educational needs, diverse as they are throughout the state, such as Gallatin County, he stood beside me. And most of all what I will always be thankful for is when people in the southern tip of this state, Cairo, Alexander County, without a hospital or even the emergency room services today, he has helped me to provide that. Hardin County with no ambulances for five counties to be served, he stood beside me. Yes he has demonstrated all the attributes that I'd hoped to see in a leader and quite frankly, I had not even noticed where he is from because his characteristics, the honor in which he has served and led us has demonstrated far beyond any bias or prejudice that might come from each... any Member from this part of the state or any part of the state. So it's with

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great pleasure and honor that I rise to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bowman."

Bowman: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, fellow Members of the 86th General Assembly. This marks the seventh time that I have taken the oath and in the past twelve years there's probably no one that I've had more fights with than Michael J. Madigan, who I proudly rise to... whose nomination, I proudly rise to second. Also probably no one whose... I've lost more fights to than Michael J. Madigan, but he has always played by the Marquess of Queensberry Rules. He is also a master of resolving seemingly, intractable problems. I would tell... like to tell you about a personal experience of mine with one of these and that involves providing public support for transporting pupils to private schools. This is a very controversial issue and is one that I had opposed for many years and one that did not pass this Assembly for many years. When we were considering school reform, he called me into his office and said, 'What's your problem with this?' and I said, it's unconstitutional, he says, 'Well, I know that's your position, but exactly why?' So I explained that there were two principle problems and we discussed this further and when that Bill came out to the floor, both of those changes were in the Bill and it was a constitutional Bill. And he resolved a technically difficult, politically sensitive issue and that proposal is now law today. Also, he is sensitive to individual concerns, not just the great public policy concerns of our day but the individual concerns. When he called to ask my support for Speaker this time, he immediately recalled a memo that I had written a year and a half earlier concerning House operations. All of those

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things that have been said to this point, I couldn't agree with more. In my role as Appropriations II Chairman, I have some strong views on the needs of this state and he has disagreed with me on some of my policy conclusions, but I believe that he always represents the majority will of the Members. On some matters like the pupil transportation Bill take time to resolve and require some tough questions to be answered. But there is no one more skilled in this Body at asking those questions and at resolving those issues and that's why we elect a Speaker of the House, and that's why I'm proud to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan for Speaker of this House. Thank you."

Speaker Edgar: "Representative Madigan is nominated for the Office of Speaker. Are there further nominations for the Office of Speaker? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Secretary, fellow Members of the 86th General Assembly, it's a pleasure to be here with you and I look forward to serving with you in the next two years. I'm also very pleased to have the opportunity to nominate a very good friend of mine, a man who came into this General Assembly at the same time I did. Starting... We're both starting our eighth term. A man who's had a lot of experience in this General Assembly since he entered as a freshman. He's in his fourth term as Minority Leader. He leads fifty-one Members who are as diverse as the State of Illinois is itself and he does it with a great deal of grace and we are a very cohesive minority. And I think that's evident to everyone who served under Leader Daniels. As a Republican, Lee Daniels has a responsibility to a Republican Governor. For the last fourteen years or twelve years we've had a Republican Governor in this state. As a Member of his party and as a leader in this General

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Assembly, he's required to help shape and shepherd his Governor's program through this Body. That's not easy because of the diversity of the General Assembly and of the House and the fact that sometimes we have a hostile majority. Lee Daniels has done that with expertise and with success. He's dedicated to the needs of the people of this state. For example, Lee Daniels is very interested in assisting the developmentally disabled and he has introduced legislation to provide for their long-term care. He has provided legislation and supported and sponsored legislation that would give them insurance benefits. And he has brought to our attention the aging-out phenomenon... phenomenon. When the federal programs cease and when we need to take up the cause and he's provided legislation to do that. In other areas of the state he's tried to make O'Hare Airport safer and quieter for the people who use it and the people who have to live around it. He's taken up the gauntlet to deal with flood problems in the metropolitan area and in the Chicago area. And when any of his Members come to him, whether it be with a farm problem, a suburban problem, a city problem, he tries to help them with their legislative program and the solution to that problem. During his years in the General Assembly, Lee Daniels has been a reformer and we've needed some reforming. He helped lead the fight to reform some governmental and quasi-governmental agencies in this state that wouldn't have been done without that kind of Leadership. The RTA in 1983. We got rid of the patronage ridden commissions in 1984. The Chicago McCormick Place in 1985 and yes, while everybody can take credit for Chicago school reform, without Leader Daniel's influence and support that would not have been accomplished in 1988. And he recognizes that we've only begun the Chicago ru...

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school reform and he's dedicated to completing that problem or completing that reform. Lee Daniels is loyal, he's loyal to his Members. He's accessible. He listens and he acts on their needs when they come into him. That's why we have elected him as our Minority Leader. That's why we follow him with our votes. Lee Daniels is recognized on the national level for his Leadership and ability as a Legislator. He was selected one of the outstanding Legislators in the nation in 1984. He is currently president-elect of the bipartisan National Conference of State Legislators, the biggest, largest organization of Legislators in the nation. And in 1989 he'll be president of that organization. You don't have to be around Lee Daniels very long to know that he has a strong love for family and friends. In all his activities and among his many duties and responsibilities, when you're with him you soon know of his dedication to his wife Pam and their five children. He's a very caring human being. He's a man who could lead this Body into greater heights and to greater accomplishments than any other man I can think of. We could do no better today if we were to elect him our Speaker. And it is with great pride that I put Lee Daniels name in nomination for Speaker of the Illinois House for the 86th General Assembly. Thank you."

Speaker Edgar: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing places in nomination the name of the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the House. Is there a second to this nomination? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Vermilion, Representative Black."

Black: "Well, thank you very much, Mr. Secretary and Ladies and Gentlemen of the 86th General Assembly. I'm indeed privileged to second the nomination of Lee A. Daniels for

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Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, for this is a Gentleman who possesses all of the traits that this Assembly needs in its Leader. He is a man who has the demonstrated ability to serve his district and serve it with distinction. But he is also a man who can visualize the hopes and desires of all the people in this great state and can focus on the importance of a statewide agenda. It's been my experience that Lee Daniels has the gift of being able to listen to the Members of his conference and truly hear what they are saying. This man gives extra effort to balance the needs and the goals as diverse as they may be to the Members of the Republican Conference. And I might add that he handles these many different and often conflicting issues with a dash of compromise and a measure of fairness, credibility and integrity that I find most refreshing in today's political arena. Through all of his abilities there emerges a man who can put issues into action and bring dynamic Leadership to the process. Yet, he remains flexible. He constantly reevaluates his position and policy and attempts to do what is right rather than what is expedient. His concern for the people of this state is clearly evidenced by his authorship of dozens of measures to assist the developmentally disabled. His 1986 law established the first in the nation trust fund to ensure adequate funding for the long-term care of people with developmental disabilities. Now, Ladies and Gentlemen, we all know that the position of Speaker of this House is one of great and awesome responsibility. I would submit to you today that Lee A. Daniels is uniquely qualified to meet the demands of that office. His record speaks for itself and that makes me proud. Proud to know him, proud to work with him, proud to call him a friend and makes me extremely honored to second the nomination of the

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Gentleman from DuPage, the Honorable Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Macon, Representative Tate."

Tate: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, fellow colleagues, distinguished guests. Today, whoever we choose to undertake the responsibility of being Speaker, let's keep one thing uppermost in his or her mind, and that is the people of Illinois and what they want. Each of us comes to this chamber as an elected official, an elected voice of the people. The Speaker however, by the virtue of that position, becomes a Representative of all the people. It is the Speaker who decides what legislation will be called for a vote. It is the Speaker who decides if a Bill will be revived or has drawn its last breath. It is the Speaker who more than any other Member of this House must be more keenly attuned to the real needs of the people of Illinois. In essence, the Speaker must be an unselfish Leader. I believe we have such a Leader within our midst here today. During his fourteen years in the House this man has demonstrated that he has the Leadership qualities that the people of Illinois desire and deserve. First and foremost, this man has the knowledge it takes to make government work. He's willing to make the tough decisions and he has shown an openness and a desire to work with Members for the good of this state. In 1983, this man developed a successful plan for overting a permanent income tax. The plan brought Illinois through its recession by enacting a temporary tax increase that expired one year later. Due to his efforts, taxpayers through this state saved billions of dollars. In an effort to clean up government and put it back in the right track, this outstanding Leader led the fight to reform several mismanaged government agencies,



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commissions and including the RTA and McCormick Place. In addition, he sponsored legislation to abolish legislative commissions. A move that saved taxpayers again millions of dollars. But this man's dedication to the people of Illinois goes beyond cleaning up waste. His compassion for his fellow colleagues, for his fellow human beings being spurred upon him an opportunity to make him the award as Leader that the developmentally disabled in Illinois can lead a full and productive life. His work on behalf of the developmentally disabled has earned him awards from organizations, such as the National Foundation for the Handicapped and the Chicago Based Community Alternatives Unlimited. The man I nominate today for Speaker of the House sees beyond party lines when it comes to helping the people of this state. In 1987, he led the movement to reform Illinois' welfare system, putting Illinois in the forefront of efforts to provide meaningful alternatives to welfare dependency. The Leadership qualities exhibited by my colleague have been recognized by other leaders throughout this country. As president-elect of the National Conference of State Legislators, his wisdom and experience will benefit other leaders in Statehouses across the country as well as influence policy on Capitol Hill. The grandson of a former State Representative, this man carries on a family tradition of good Leadership; a Leadership that is open to the opinions of individual Members, a Leadership that is full of integrity and fairness, a Leadership that benefits everyone, not a chosen few. Today, I second the nomination of a man who has proven time and time again that the needs of the people of this great state are uppermost in his mind. Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Lee A. Daniels as Speaker of the Illinois House."

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Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Cook, Representative Parcells."

Parcells: "Thank you, Mr... thank you, Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House and honored guests. It is with great pleasure that I second the nomination of Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the House for the 86th General Assembly. Most of you present know of Lee's great accomplishments and some of them have been listed today. Such as the temporary, and I do mean temporary tax increase of 1983, that saved millions of dollars for the taxpayers of Illinois. His outstanding work and legislation for the handicapped and the developmentally disabled. Legislation in 1985 to weed out frivolous medical malpractice lawsuits, he was the driving force behind that. His strong influence in moving Illinois into the intersting... state banking arena and in 1987, a welfare reform package, which is a model for the nation. But Lee's best qualities are as a leader. This is been recognized by the National Conference of State Legislators, of which we are all Members, where he has been in various Leadership posts for many years. In this coming year he will be the president of that august Body in 1989. That is certainly something Lee can be proud of and so can all of us in Illinois. But a much tougher Leadership post has been right here in this House. It isn't easy to always be the underdog, leading a small but mighty band and to always remain optimistic and never give up the good fight for the causes he and his fellow Republicans believe in. Lee has done this admirably. On a personal note, when I became a Member of this House, I was sworn in midterm, so I didn't have the benefit of an orientation or fellow classmates. No one seemed to realize I was the new kid on the block and I didn't know what was going on, but Lee did. And he took me under his wing and

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he never lost sight of the fact that this was all new and overwhelming to me. For this I will be forever grateful to him. Furthermore, I was especially frightened because I wasn't sure what the attitude of my Leader might be to me as a woman replacing a man in this seat. I soon learned that Lee Daniels treated all of his Membership equally as Representatives'. Not segregating us in any way by gender. As a matter of fact, Lee has two women in his Leadership team, as well as women as spokesmen on many of the House key committees. I especially admire Lee's light touch. His ability to maintain a great sense of humor. Always able to laugh at a joke, at a funny situation or even at himself. Not everyone can do this. And finally, while working at his Leadership position, giving it all of his energy, his intelligence and his effort, Lee will always take time for anyone of us who asks to see him. And he is always a kind, warm and caring human being. I am therefore indeed honored and proud to second the nomination of my colleague and fellow hawkeye, Lee A. Daniels."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Henry, Representative Sieben."

Sieben: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House and distinguished guests in the gallery. It's my pleasure to stand today and second the nomination of Lee Daniels for Speaker of the House of Representatives. The feelings I have today are considerably different than those of two years ago when I first sat in my big, blue chair as a State Representative and a great deal of that difference is a result of the impact that Lee Daniels has had on my life. You see, two years ago when I was selecting my first seat, Lee suggested that I might want to sit in the empty seat in the row in front of him. But I didn't know anybody in that row, so I selected an empty seat in the back row

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with a few of the people that I did know, Kent, Tim, John. So rather than be under the watchful eye of Lee Daniels for the last two years, I've been in the unique position of having him under my watchful eye. And I'd like to share with you today just one simple observation that I've made of Lee Daniels in my first two years as State Representative. It appears to me that Lee Daniels is a man who deeply cares about all aspects and all facets of what we do here. He cares about all the Members on both sides of the aisle and he cares about their needs. And I believe he recognizes and respects the uniqueness of each individual and the uniqueness of the constituency that they represent. He's also always been willing and always been able to advocate the majority position and consensus of our conference even if it was different from his own. And I believe that's a vital ingredient to true Leadership. Lee Daniels cares about all the people of Illinois, rural, urban, Chicago, downstate, small town, big city. His legislative record, as has been talked about already, clearly indicates his deep concern for the people least able to help themselves. And he is willin... and he has always been willing to prioritize those needs in the best way possible to utilize the limited resources of the taxpayers of this state. And thirdly, Lee Daniels cares about the legislative process. A process that allows important legislation to be heard in committee, to be debated on the House floor. A process that is fair to both sides of the aisle and recognizes the honesty and integrity so vital that has produced the rich traditions of our Assembly. Someone once said, I really don't care how much you know until I know how much you care. And I've learned in two years that Lee Daniels cares. And because Lee Daniels cares and because he's qualified, it's my pleasure

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to pla... to second the nomination of Lee for Speaker of the House of Representatives."

Speaker Edgar: "Representative Daniels is nominated for the Office of Speaker. Are there further nominations for the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives? Being none, no further nominations offered from the floor, nominations for the Office of Speaker are closed. The nominees for the Office of Speaker are Representative Michael J. Madigan and Representative Lee A. Daniels. The Clerk will call the Roll. I'll ask the Members to be in their chairs. We will have an Oral Roll Call and when your name is called please stand and cast your vote. The question is, 'The election of the Speaker of the House of the 86th General Assembly?' Mr. Clerk, will you please call the Roll."

Clerk Leone: "Ackerman. Ackerman votes Daniels. Balanoff. Balanoff votes Madigan. Barger. Barger votes Daniels. Barnes. Barnes votes Daniels. Black. Black votes Daniels. Bowman. Bowman votes Madigan. Breslin. Breslin votes Madigan. Brunsvold. Brunsvold votes Madigan. Bugielski. Bugielski votes Madigan. Capparelli. Capparelli votes Madigan. Churchill. Churchill votes Daniels. Countryman. Countryman votes Daniels. Cowlshaw. Cowlshaw votes Daniels. Cullerton. Cullerton votes Madigan. Curran. Curran votes Madigan. Currie. Currie votes Madigan. Daley. Daley votes Madigan. Daniels. Daniels votes Daniels. Davis. Davis votes Madigan. DeJaegher. DeJaegher votes Madigan. DeLeo. DeLeo votes Madigan. Deuchler. Deuchler votes Daniels. Didrickson. Didrickson votes Daniels. Doederlein. Doederlein votes Daniels. Dunn. Dunn votes Madigan. Edley. Edley votes Madigan. Ewing. Ewing votes Daniels. Farley. Farley votes Madigan. Flinn. Flinn votes

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Madigan. Flowers. Flowers votes Madigan. Frederick.  
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Giorgi. Giorgi votes Madigan. Goforth. Goforth votes  
Daniels. Granberg. Granberg votes Madigan. Hallock.  
Hallock votes Daniels. Hannig. Hannig votes Madigan.  
Harris. Harris votes Daniels. Hartke. Hartke votes  
Madigan. Hasara. Hasara votes Daniels. Hensel. Hensel  
votes Daniels. Hicks. Hicks votes Madigan. Hoffman.  
Hoffman votes Daniels. Homer. Homer votes Madigan.  
Hultgren. Hultgren votes Daniels. Johnson. Johnson votes  
Daniels. Lou Jones. Lou Jones votes Madigan. Shirley  
Jones. Shirley Jones votes Madigan. Keane. Keane votes  
Madigan. Kirkland. Kirkland votes Daniels. Klemm. Klemm  
votes Daniels. Krska. Krska votes Madigan. Kubik. Kubik  
votes Daniels. Kulas. Kulas votes Madigan. Lang. Lang  
votes Madigan. Laurino. Laurino votes Madigan. LeFlore.  
LeFlore votes Madigan. Leitch. Leitch votes Daniels.  
Leverenz. Leverenz votes Madigan. Levin. Levin votes  
Madigan. Madigan. Madigan votes Madigan. Martinez.  
Martinez votes Madigan. Matijevich. Matijevich votes  
Madigan. Mautino. Mautino votes Madigan. Mays. Mays  
votes Daniels. McAuliffe. McAuliffe votes Daniels.  
McCracken. McCracken votes Daniels. McGann. McGann votes  
Madigan. McNamara. McNamara votes Madigan. McPike.  
McPike votes Madigan. Morrow. Morrow votes Madigan.  
Mulcahey. Mulcahey votes Madigan. Novak. Novak votes  
Madigan. Myron Olson. Myron Olson votes Daniels. Robert  
Olson. Robert Olson votes Daniels. Parcells. Parcells  
votes Daniels. Parke. Parke votes Daniels. Bernard  
Pedersen. Bernard Pedersen votes Daniels. William  
Peterson. William Peterson votes Daniels. Petka. Petka  
votes Daniels. Phelps. Phelps votes Madigan. Piel. Piel  
votes Daniels. Preston. Preston votes Madigan. Pullen.

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Pullen votes Daniels. Regan. Regan votes Daniels. Rice.  
Rice votes Madigan. Richmond. Richmond votes Madigan.  
Ronan. Ronan votes Madigan. Ropp. Ropp votes Daniels.  
Ryder. Ryder votes Daniels. Saltsman. Saltsman votes  
Madigan. Santiago. Santiago votes Madigan.  
Satterthwaite."

Speaker Edgar: "Representative Satterthwaite."

Satterthwaite: "Mr. Secretary, in explaining my vote, I want to indicate that there are many of my constituents who have indicated to me that they feel that I should not support Mike Madigan for reelection as Speaker of the House. In fact, many of their comments have been down right unflattering both to him and to me for supporting him. They feel that he really has not recognized the dire situation that our educational system is in across the State of Illinois and the impact upon that system of inadequate funding. I'm sensitive to those concerns of my constituents. Yet, I am casting my vote today for Speaker Madigan in the hope that during these next two years of legislative action, we will be able to change that image of Mike Madigan. I certainly hope, Mike, that we can entice you by invitation to come to spend some time in District 103 so that you can get to better understand our viewpoint on the problems that we see created by a lack of a strong educational system and support for that system and that we can have the opportunity to try to better understand your point of view as well. Please don't let us down, Mike. We look to you for the Leadership out of this dilemma. I cast my vote for Mike Madigan."

Clerk Leone: "Satterthwaite votes Madigan. Shaw. Shaw votes Madigan. Sieben. Sieben votes Daniels. Stange. Stange votes Daniels. Steczo. Steczo votes Madigan. Stephens. Stephens votes Daniels. Stern. Stern votes Madigan.

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Sutker. Sutker votes Madigan. Tate. Tate votes Daniels. Terzich. Terzich votes Madigan. Trotter. Trotter votes Madigan. Turner. Turner votes Madigan. Van Duyne. Van Duyne votes Madigan. Wait. Wait votes Daniels. Weaver. Weaver votes Daniels. Weller. Weller votes Daniels. Wennlund. Wennlund votes Daniels. White. White votes Madigan. Williams. Williams votes Madigan. Williamson. Williamson votes Daniels. Wojcik. Wojcik votes Daniels. Wolf. Wolf votes Madigan. Woolard. Woolard votes Madigan. Anthony Young. Anthony Young votes Madigan. Wyvetter Young. Wyvetter Young votes Madigan. Zickus. Zickus votes Daniels."

Speaker Edgar: "If that's the only mistake you make while you're here, you'll do well. On that question, Mr. Madigan receives 67 votes, Mr. Daniels receives 51 votes. I hereby declare that Michael J. Madigan has been elected Speaker of the House of the 86th General Assembly. And Lee A. Daniels has been elected Minority Leader of the House of the 86th General Assembly. With the consent of the House, I will appoint nine Members to constitute an Honor Committee to escort the Speaker Elect to the rostrum to take the Constitutional Oath. Is there consent? Consent being granted, I appoint the following to the Committee of Escort: Representative Zeke Giorgi. Representative Bill Laurino. Representative Helen Satterthwaite. You better start now. Representative Wyvetter Young. Representative Monroe Flinn. Representative Gene Hoffman. Representative Ben Martinez. Representative Roger McAuliffe. And Representative Mary Flowers. Will the Committee of Honor retire to the seat of Representative Michael J. Madigan to escort him to the rostrum. Administer the Constitutional Oath of the Speaker Elect, I have the honor again of presenting to the House the Honorable Daniel Ward, Justice



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of the Illinois Supreme Court. Joining Justice Ward on the podium are Speaker Elect Madigan's wife, Shirley, who will assist in the administering of the oath and two of the Madigan children, Tiffany and Nicole. Justice Ward."

Justice Ward: "I have the high honor, Mr. Speaker, of administering the oath of office. Will you kindly state after me. I..."

Madigan: "... I..."

Justice Ward: "... Michael Madigan..."

Madigan: "... Michael Madigan..."

Justice Ward: "... Do solemnly swear..."

Madigan: "... Do solemnly swear..."

Justice Ward: "... That I will support..."

Madigan: "... That I will support..."

Justice Ward: "... The Constitution of the United States..."

Madigan: "... The Constitution of the United States..."

Justice Ward: "... And the Constitution of the State of Illinois..."

Madigan: "... And the Constitution of the State of Illinois..."

Justice Ward: "... And that I will faithfully discharge..."

Madigan: "... And that I will faithfully discharge..."

Justice Ward: "... The duties..."

Madigan: "... The duties..."

Justice Ward: "... Of the Office..."

Madigan: "... Of the Office..."

Justice Ward: "... Of Speaker of the House of Representatives..."

Madigan: "... Of Speaker of the House of Representatives..."

Justice Ward: "... Of the State of Illinois..."

Madigan: "... Of the State of Illinois."

Justice Ward: "May I congratulate you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Madigan: "Will the Committee of Escort, previously appointed to escort the Speaker Elect assemble at the rostrum to escort the Honorable James Edgar, Secretary of

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State from the chambers. Mr. Secretary, we sincerely appreciate your service and the fine way in which you have conducted these proceedings. Once again I'd like to acknowledge the services of the Secretary of State, Mr. Edgar. As on previous occasions he has done an outstanding job of conducting the initial meeting of this General Assembly. Also, I'd like to thank Justice Daniel Ward of the Illinois Supreme Court for once again administering the oath to all of us as Members and to me as the Speaker of the House. We would also like to thank his Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin. We'd like to thank Rabbi Kaganoff and Reverend Gary McCants for their fine words of wisdom and direction. Secretary Edgar previously introduced my wife, Shirley, who many of you know, my daughters, Tiffany and Nicole, and I would like to introduce the other lady who joined us on the rostrum, my mother-in-law, Alice Wirth. Alice Wirth. There are some people that I would like to recognize and I'll attempt to be as brief as possible. I believe that we have been joined by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Springfield, Bishop Ryan and we'd like to recognize Bishop Ryan as being with us today. There are several governmental officials that should be recognized, several from the government of the County of Cook. First, the presidents of the county board, my good friend, George W. Dunne. Mr. Dunne is joined today by his good friend and my good friend, Mr. Ira Kolitz, seated in the front row. And also by the chairman of the finance committee of the county board, the Honorable John Stroger. John Stroger. Also from county government, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Aurelia Pucinski. From the Board of Appeals, Commissioners Wilson Frost and Joseph Berrios. From the Metropolitan Sanitary District of Cook County, the president of the board, Mr. Nick Melas. Gloria

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MaJewski, a member of the board. And a new member of the board and a former colleague of ours, 'Bus' Yourell, Harry 'Bus' Yourell. We're pleased to have with us several members of the judiciary of Cook County, the chief judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, the Honorable Harry Comerford, Judge Comerford. Also, we have Judge Frank Barbaro. Judge Al Green. Another former colleague, Judge Alan Greiman. Judge Benjamin Novoselsky. And Judge Dan White. We're pleased to have two members of the United States Congress with us today from the 5th Congressional District in the City of Chicago, the Honorable William Lipinski. And from the 17th Congressional District in the western part of Illinois, the Honorable Lane Evans. We're happy to have with us several members of the Chicago City Council. First, the alderman of the 13th Ward, Alderman John Madrzyk. From the 8th Ward, Alderman Keith Caldwell. From the 29th Ward, the Alderman Danny Davis. From the 34th Ward, Alderman Lemuel Austin. And from the 44th Ward, Alderman Bernard Hanson. We're pleased to have several members, several former members of the General Assembly with us this afternoon. First, the former three-term Speaker of the House of Representatives and a twenty-year Legislator, our good friend, Speaker William Redmond. Also again, from the House of Representatives, former Representative Lou Caldwell. Representative Caldwell. And lastly, two former State Senators. First, former Senator Marshall Korshack. And former State Senator and former Senate Minority Leader and former judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Donald J. O'Brien. Also, former Representative and a former member of the Sanitary District from Cook County, Jim Kirrie. Again, I'd like to thank all of you for your support of me today in my election for the fourth time as the Speaker of the House. This is clearly a

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great honor. An honor that I have grown to respect even more with the passing of time. As I stand here as the Speaker for the fourth time, I vividly recall the conditions that existed in this chamber when I came here for the first time in 1971. At that time the desks on the floor were our offices. There were six or seven telephones at the rear of the chamber, which were intended to serve approximately ninety people on one side of the aisle, approximately ninety on the other side of the aisle. If you needed secretarial help, there was a steno pool of about fifteen secretaries available up on the upper floors of this building, and when you needed to do dictation you would put in a request for a secretary who would join you down here on the floor, and you would dictate your letters and correspondence right in the middle of the debate. So those were the conditions that existed in 1971. Since that time and due in large part to former Speaker Blair, as a Body, as a professional Body, we've come a long way. Today you know we have outstanding professional staff. We have fully equipped offices here in Springfield and we have an adequate district office allowance to permit us to adequately and appropriately service our constituents in our districts. Today, I take the oath of office as a Member for a term when completed, which will provide that I will have served in the House of Representatives for twenty years. The same oath will provide that I will have served as a Member of the Democratic Leadership for fourteen years and as the Speaker of the House for eight years. As you can see, service in this Body has become a very large part of my life. As the Majority Leader said in his nominating speech, I've given over half of my adult life to this institution. And because of that, from the day that I became Speaker, I have worked hard to improve the stature,

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the image and the reputation of this institution. And because of that goal, because of that objective, because of my belief that the Legislature is a coequal branch of state government, because of all of that; I have attempted to take a Leadership role on issues such as the Governor's use of the Amendatory Veto, which in my judgment works against the concept of a coequal branch of state government. And an issue such as my call for inclusion of legislative observers in the current round of contract negotiations with the unions representing state employees. It is my view that if there is to be a true partnership among the three branches of government then no Legislature can be left with a take it or leave it proposition from the executive department of this government. As I reflect on the last three terms that we have served in this Body, I've noted many controversial items that were resolved to a large degree because of bipartisan effort. And during this time, my personal effort has been to work and to serve as a consensus builder. Let me review some of this history. In 1983, in a bipartisan effort this Body in cooperation with the Senate and the Governor, dramatically restructured the Regional Transportation Authority in northeastern Illinois. And let me note that Mr. Daniels, the Minority Leader at the time, played a very critical role in that process. Since that time that agency has functioned very well. So well that we don't even debate the operations of the agency in this Body anymore. In 1984, again working together, we provided for significant reform of the laws governing the nursing homes of this state and we abolished the old, useless legislative study commissions. In 1985, we tackled some long overdue changes in the school systems across the state. In 1986, again in a bipartisan effort, where I was a Cosponsor of the legislation sent to us by the Governor,

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we provided for a Build Illinois Program to address a number of infrastructure and economic development needs. 1987, together we provided for a wide ranging package of child abuse protections. In 1988, very recently, again as mentioned by one of those nominating Mr. Daniels, working together we provided for a top to bottom overhaul of the operation of the Chicago public school system putting parents back in charge of that system. I think that this process has been very successful. We have conducted our business in such a way so that we do not get mired in a Springfield version of council wars. The end result has been an improvement in the image of the House. And I cite that it is the best evidence available, the simple fact that in the last election very few incumbents were turned out of this office and the voters wisely rejected the call for another Constitutional Convention to rewrite the State Constitution. I think it's fair to say that if there was a level of dissatisfaction with the conduct of our business here in the Legislature then many more incumbents would have been rejected and there would have been a call for another constitution to govern the conduct of affairs in this Body. During the last Session, through the last two years, our work on our normal consideration of Bills has been greatly overshadowed by the Governor's repeated request for an increase in the Illinois Income Tax. His dire predictions about layoffs, closings and other calamities simply have not happened. In 1987 alone, we were told, and you all remember this because you all got the documents from the administration, we were told that we needed a one billion dollar tax increase. We were told that if we did not pass the one billion dollar tax increase that thousands of state employees would be laid off. Well, what really happened was that nobody was laid off and in

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that year the administration hired 3,000 new workers. We were told that if we did not pass the tax increase, that one of our largest prisons, the Menard Penitentiary would be closed. Well, as you know, Menard is still operating. We were told that local teachers would be laid off and that no raises would be available for them. In fact, in that year of 1987 the number of employed teachers increased and in downstate Illinois, teachers on an average received the highest raises during this decade. We were told if we did not pass the tax increase that 200 Illinois state troopers would be laid off and that the patrols on the expressways in East St. Louis and in Chicago would be eliminated. Well, guess what? You better not speed through those cities because the troopers are waiting for you. The list could go on all afternoon. The fact is that because of prudent spending over the last four years, we have been able to use our available revenues and brought about some very beneficial effects. As an example, I'm sure all of you received a press release from the Governor's Office a few weeks ago explaining that contrary to what we were told last June, when there was another request for a tax increase, contrary to all of that, that the Department of Public Aid is coming close to a thirty day payment cycle on the bills coming out of the medicaid program. And you recall, we were told that that could not be done without a tax increase. We, in this Body can take great pride in the fact that since I became Speaker and since Mr. Daniels became the Minority Leader in 1983, that we together have controlled expenditures in this Body to the point where spending over six years in this Body has only risen by four percent. At the same time, over the same six-year period, spending by other state agencies has risen by forty percent. Four percent here, forty percent in the other

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agencies. We can be proud of our record of frugality. Together with our constituents, I believe the General Assembly has created a partnership that says very simply that this is a state which will live within its means. This is a state which does not automatically see the solution of every problem expressed in a call for higher taxes. Now in the next Session if the Governor has not yet gotten this message, I am sure that these same tax questions will loom over our deliberations. Some observers have already started that drumbeat. Beyond that though, I believe that serious attention must be given to a wide range of questions. Yes, questions. As an example, in the area of health care, we have taken a positive step with the creation and funding of the CHIP's program. But what step is next? Should there be a mandated health insurance program as suggested by some yesterday or should we examine programs like the one recently enacted in the State of Oregon, where tax credits are provided for small businesses who offer health insurance for workers? We have enacted new laws dealing with waste water treatment and solid waste disposal. But I am not certain that enough has been done, especially on the latter issue. Should we call for the development of a comprehensive solid waste plan? Should we begin to look for innovative ideas to create new markets for recycled material? Perhaps our university system can be of some help in this regard. Should we begin a review of education funding from a new starting point? Perhaps our Appropriations Committees should examine the use of dollars spent on teaching versus nonteaching activities. The same type of questions can and must be asked about issues like mental health and economic development. There is much ahead for this new Session of the General Assembly. It is my pledge that I will continue to work as a consensus



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builder. It is my hope that we can work in the spirit of cooperation that has existed for the past six years. Thank you very much. At this time the Chair would recognize Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Daniels, before you begin, I believe your wife is with us today."

Daniels: "She's in the office, because she was excluded from the floor."

Speaker Madigan: "I see. So we would like to welcome your lovely wife, Pam."

Daniels: "I think if we find the camera that's shining on the office, we could say hello to Pam. So if you'll all turn to one of those cameras, say hi, Pam."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. This, like the Speaker, is my fourth time in running for Speaker of the House. Four times Representative Ewing has nominated my...me for that office and four times I have lost. So next time I'm going to seek another person to nominate me for that Tom, to see if we can get a little better luck next time. But of course, Mr. Speaker, I offer to those people that placed my name in nomination and to those people that so articulately granted their thoughts on my seconding of that nomination. To Representative Black, Representative Tate, Representative Parcells and Representative Sieben, I give my special thanks. And of course, no person can lead without the consensus of a tremendous group of individuals. To the Republican Members of the House I owe a great deal, not only a great deal of loyalty, but a great deal of time, effort and dedication to a job that I hold very dear and

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true to my heart. I can promise to you the continued excellence that I think the Republican side of the aisle brings to the governmental process and I promise to you a continued service to the needs of the Republican Minority in this General Assembly, but above all, to the needs of the constituents that each one of you represent. Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, yes I stand before you as the designated leader of the Republican Party, having been elected by my Republican Members as such, but I also stand before you on this day of celebration, a day of reflection and a day of family, as an individual that is committed to not only observe and recognize the past, but also to review with careful reflection and commitment our need to serve the future, for there is much that we can be proud of in what we have done. There is also much room in my opinion for improvement. As we prepare to meet the challenges of tomorrow, let us never rest on the accomplishments of yesterday. We can be proud of our past, but pride alone won't get the necessary job done in the service of people of Illinois. It wasn't too many years ago when I was younger and I came to the General Assembly escorted by my grandfather, then a Member of the House of Representatives, coming from the same district that I now represent, as a matter of fact living a mere block and a half of where I live from today, and he pointed to me with great pride the traditions of Abraham Lincoln and the pride that he had in becoming a Member of the Illinois General Assembly. So, it was with that background in 1975 when I was sworn into my first term, that I became a freshman Member of the Illinois General Assembly. And through those years, and through service to the people of my district, I have learned a great deal. Not only with their input, but also from the input of each and everyone

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of you today. I look back in recent history to the accomplishments then of the last Session of the General Assembly and I look back to them and the recent past with a great degree of pride in what we have done. Welfare reform which some people said could never be accomplished, this General Assembly acted upon with a strong statement for the benefit of people that cannot help themselves or have been unable to bring themselves out of the depths of despair. Assistance for the developmentally disabled, because of a quirk of nature and of unfortunate circumstances, individuals who have suffered from brain damage or go through our society in a handicapped fashion, this General Assembly led in the forefront of the country today, in new laws dealing with the developmentally disabled and the handicapped, speaking strong of the state's commitment to its less fortunate citizens. And yes we drew and worked in a bipartisan fashion for unemployment insurance accord and set the standard in what the future will hold for us in our business community. And there are many other examples that we can point to with a great deal of pride and accomplishment that each and everyone of you had a part in as we worked so hard together. But, I'm afraid in reviewing those accomplishments, they are also, on too many occasions, smattered with disappointments. Disappointments that we as a minority stood up and spoke strong upon and said please, allow us to work with you as a Majority Party and allow the legislation to be presented on the Illinois House floor and debated in careful and organized fashion so our input and our work product can be part of yours. Partisan abuses, stifled debate and also who can forget the Weller/Christensen recount effort, that we as a minority faced in the last Session of the General Assembly. Hopefully, hopefully that is behind us and will be set in

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the past as we move in this day of celebration and day of family for what we as elected Members of the General Assembly have a right to expect from this process as we give our all, to expect from us the satisfaction of a job well done. For you see, Mr. Speaker, I, like you, have learned from the past. Like you, I have been educated by the past and by my predecessors and together we can bring to this state a better society and a better system of government for us to exist under. Working together as your list that you just recited, has produced excellent results and I commend you for your Leadership in so many important and critical issues, for Mr. Speaker, when you truly decide to be part of a bipartisan process and bring in the minority, great things have been accomplished. And as a matter of fact you have every right in the world to address us as you have, with the pride in your voice and the pride in your record and the pride of accomplishments, but I submit to you, Sir, that your finest hours have been those hours when you have opened your office to the minority as well as the majority, to produce the needed results for the citizens of today. But all of the lists that have been highlighted are somewhat tempered by the fact that there appears to be in this government today the creation of a personal feud by you, Mr. Speaker, against our Governor, a Governor who has been elected by the people of Illinois to lead this state longer than any Governor in existence in the United States of America today. I, like you, have had my disagreements with this Governor. Like you, I have at times led fights against some of his programs and spoke strongly that I felt that he was wrong. Like you, at times I've had to criticize him, hopefully more in his office, than in the press or publicly, because I have an additional requirement of being the Republican Leader and the

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presenter many times of his legislation. But more often than not, I have been impressed and happy and excited by his commitment to the people of Illinois and to the job of governing this state. And more often than not, I have found him to have receptive and open arms for suggestions on how this state can be improved and made better for all of the residents of Illinois. And I have joined with you at times in embracing those suggestions and at other times working with him to correct some problems that we feel that he did not see. I looked last Session and I reviewed our record as many of you had and I pointed with some pride as I turned to you when you passed Chicago school reform, and I said to you from Chicago, good luck for the children of Chicago. I felt some personal shame that the Secretary of Education of the United States of America singled out the Chicago school system as the worst school system in the United States of America. And I was ashamed. I personally commit to you and the Republican Members of this House, a dedicated effort, a new resolve to make the Chicago school system one of the best school systems in the country and to help every child of Chicago get the quality of education that he or she deserves. And the sooner this organization and Body moves forward to that commitment, the better this state will be. I also watched yesterday as this General Assembly spent seventy-two million dollars of taxpayer's money without debate on this House floor. I looked at the legislation brought to us from the Senate, because of parliamentary maneuvering, where we thought we were going to be able to act on one Bill, Senate Bill 711 and present Amendments on it, through an effort of parliamentary maneuvering, the Senate sent us a Bill for Concurrence which allowed us no opportunity to debate or participate in a Resolution of how we spend that money in Illinois. And

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add with the other funds that were put together, we spent on a Roll Call without debate, two hundred and six million dollars of the taxpayer's money. Now I don't know about you, individual Members on the Democratic side, but I know about Republicans on this side, because we had no opportunity to debate that legislation on this House floor and present Amendments which we think would have improved the final project. Mr. McPike, an outstanding, talented and gifted individual, who I have the absolute highest degree of respect for and assuming you will once again be designated as the Majority Leader, my congratulations to you, Sir, and my commitment to continue to develop a responsible relationship. And you referred to the fact that where the majority must rule, that the minority should at times acquiesce and that is as it should be. And yes, we must as a minority understand there are times when majority rule is essential for the orderly operation of government. But I should tell you, that never should a citizen or a Representative in this state accept at any point a majority rule that stifles, hamstring and attempts to eliminate the rights of the minority and the voices of the people of Illinois. And never will I submit to those efforts in which to stifle our voices as a minority as we represent the constituents that elected us to do the kind of job that we in Illinois must fulfill as Representatives of the people. This Body is comprised of hard-working and dedicated individuals and each one of you has brought with you the dreams of tomorrow and your desires in fulfilling those dreams. Public servants in the best sense of the word, but unfortunately when all of the talents of everybody involved are not used because of personal disagreements or personal dislikes, or the desire to control so tightly it stifles the individual talent and the

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progressiveness that the people of Illinois have a right to expect from their elected Representatives. And I will tell you everyone suffers when power is concentrated in the hands of a few or the hands of one, and everyone suffers when one person dictates an agenda, however visionary and however forthright that it may be, that all must by rule be required to follow. We, as elected Members of this Body call upon each one of you. We, on the Republican side appeal to you on the Democratic side to once again open up the process. Open the process that allows both sides of this aisle to participate in the utilization of each of our individual talents, for it's time for the House of Representatives to return to the day when it was truly representative of the people of Illinois. And I know when I speak, I speak for those Members on this side of the aisle, when I say I welcome the increased responsibility and increased participation. As we look to the 86th General Assembly, Mr. Speaker, we dedicate to you our continued cooperation and desire to work with you in developing the kind of agenda that you would like to develop for the people of Illinois. We tell you with every sincere voice and feeling, that we believe that you can continue to attain your goal of excellence by working with us. And we offer to you that commitment and making sure that our efforts together can produce a better Illinois. We look to the 86th General Assembly for new laws dealing with our environment, dealing with the problems of pollution and recycling and the problems of disposing of our wastes, and yes, the problems on how we develop a better system for the utilization of our coal in this great state. And we look, Mr. Speaker, to stronger and more stringent laws dealing with ethics legislation and dealing with the problems that new aggressive campaigns have

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brought to all of us as we view elections in 1990 and how to better cope with them and to answer the cries of our citizenry. We look for the development of higher and better laws in the area of mental health and the developmentally disabled and for subjects dealing with in-home grants for the ability of parents that want to keep handicapped children or handicapped children that want to keep their adults at home in order to finance the ability for them to handle the very difficult task of caring for a handicapped individual. And we look for greater legislation dealing with self-sufficiency on the part of the mentally ill. And education, which is the framework of our system of government, we look for new funding formulas which will tend not only to the needs of the children of Chicago, but will also tend to the cry by people in the suburban areas and downstate Illinois, who say we cannot any longer afford the escalating real estate property taxes, which on so many occasions have gone out of sight in terms of the requirements to support our educational system. And we look for a better system in which to deal with escalating and growing airplane transportation in our crowded skies for the safety of every passenger that flies with them. And at times we will look for reform of this Body, reform of its inner and internal rule structure, so that each Member is allowed to participate greatly. And on the subject of taxes, we will not shy away from our responsibility when that responsibility is clear. We will not turn our backs on the people of Illinois, if taxes are the appropriate way to respond to the needs of Illinois and if it can be shown in a clear and convincing manner, as in 1983, that we must deal with increased taxes. But on the other hand, for those that advocate increased taxes, they have the responsibility to lay out the case in clear and



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convincing evidence so those of us in the General Assembly know we have no other course. I, for one, believe that Illinois can continue to operate in the best possible fashion by restraining spending, by making sure that we reprioritize our dollars and spend them appropriately versus turning to a tax increase without examining the alternatives. And I for one commit the Republican side of this aisle to investigate every opportunity to reduce spending in this state for the betterment of our citizenry. And as I close, let me just remind you that we are cognizant of the fact that the easy course in government is to follow. That it is not difficult to look at an elected leader and say, I will do what you want me to do and I will follow. The difficult course is to be true to your principles. Tax your abilities at times to come up with new solutions and new avenues for Illinois citizens to improve. So I call upon each one of us, Republicans and Democrats, to open this occasion with a commitment to Illinois and a service to the less fortunate, and yes, to an excellence in Illinois. I thank you for the confidence you have placed in me, and to you, I offer my best. Thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "The first order of business is the election of the Chief Clerk. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I place in nomination the name of Jack O'Brien as Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr... Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the provision of House Rule 1, requiring the separate election of the Clerk and Doorkeeper and offer in lieu of separate elections a Resolution for the election of Mr. John O'Brien as Chief Clerk, Mr. Anthony Leone as Assistant Clerk and Mr. Emery

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Koehler as Doorkeeper. The Motion to the Resolution is on the Clerk's desk."

Speaker Madigan: "On the Gentleman's Motion to suspend the rule, is there any discussion? Is there leave to use the Attendance Roll Call on the suspension of the rule? Hearing no objection, the rule is suspended and the Attendance Roll Call will be journalized. Resolutions. Mr. Clerk, read the Resolution."

Clerk Leone: "House Resolution #1. Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly of the State of Illinois that the following officers are hereby elected for the terms of the 86th General Assembly: John F. O'Brien as Chief Clerk of the House, Anthony J. Leone, Jr. as Assistant Clerk of the House and Emery Koehler as Doorkeeper of the House."

Speaker Madigan: "On the Resolution, the Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Resolution #1."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of House Resolution #1. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed by saying 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Pursuant to House Resolution #1, the Chair declares Mr. John F. O'Brien elected as Chief Clerk of the House for the 86th General Assembly. Mr. Anthony J. Leone, Jr. is elected... is declared elected as the Assistant Clerk of the House for the 86th General Assembly. Mr. Emery Koehler is declared elected as the Doorkeeper of the House for the 86th General Assembly. Do these Gentleman accept the offices to which they have been elected? They have all nodded their heads 'aye'. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi is recognized to offer a Resolution."

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Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the immediate adoption of House Resolution #2, to direct the Clerk to inform the Senate that the House is organized."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman has moved the adoption of House Resolution 2. This is the traditional notification to the other chamber that this Body is prepared to do the people's business. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi is recognized to offer a Resolution."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the immediate adoption of House Resolution #3 for the appointment of a committee to attend the Governor and to inform him that we are organized and await any communication he might have."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman has moved the suspension of the rule in the adoption of the Resolution. This is another traditional ceremonial procedure. Without objection we can take both Motions on one vote. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Pursuant to House Resolution #3, I appoint the following committee to wait upon the Governor. The committee will consist of Representatives Balanoff, Edley, Shirley Jones, Lang, Leitch, Santiago, Trotter, Weller, Woolard and Zickus. Mr. Daniels, did you choose to announce your Leadership team? The Democratic Leadership team will be announced tomorrow. The Chair recognizes Mr. McPike for the adjournment Motion."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Allowing the Perfunctory time for introduction of Bills, I move the House stand adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 10:00 a.m."

Speaker Madigan: "All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed by saying 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair,

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the 'ayes' have it. The Motion is adopted. The House stands in Perfunctory Session, we'll convene tomorrow at 10:00 a.m."

Clerk O'Brien: "There being no further business, the House now stands adjourned."

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