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- Speaker Madigan: "The House shall come to order. The Members shall be in their chairs. We ask the Members and our guests in the gallery to turn off laptop computers, cell phones and pagers. And we ask our guests in the gallery to rise and join us for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield."
- Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Sovereign, most gracious Lord of Lord, King of King, giver, sustainer of life, we pray today that You would bless this august Assembly. We pray, today that You would bless the Leader of this House. We pray that You bless all of its Members that You've chosen to serve here. We pray today that You would bless their families, their children. We pray that You would bless as well all of the families of their respective districts. We ask this in Your Son's name. Amen."
- Speaker Madigan: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Tryon."
- Tryon et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."
- Speaker Madigan: "Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Currie."
- Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect the excused absences of Representatives Acevedo; Arroyo; Berrios; Boland; Bradley; Brosnahan; Burke; Chapa LaVia; Colvin; Dugan; Feigenholtz; Ford; Franks; Fritchey; Golar; Graham; Hamos; Lyons; May; Mendoza; Molaro; Patterson;

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Scully; Soto; Verschoore; Yarbrough; and Hernandez. Take... take Golar off that list, she's here."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Schock; Coladipietro; Dunn; Watson; Bassi; Meyer; Lindner; Rose; Schmitz; Beaubien; two turtle dove; and a partridge in a pear tree are not... are excused today." Speaker Madigan: "The Clerk shall take the record. There being 82 Members responding to the Attendance Roll Call, there is a quorum present. Mr. Clerk. For purposes of the record, the Roll Call just taken was for the purpose of the First Special Session. And therefore, the First Special Session shall come to order. The Chair recognizes Representative Currie who moves that the House stand adjourned until Saturday, August 4, at 9 a.m. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it."