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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The Senate will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation will be -- the invocation today will be given by Reverend Joseph Eby, Chatham Presbyterian Church, Chatham, Illinois.

THE REVEREND JOSEPH EBY:

(Prayer by the Reverend Joseph Eby)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Please remain standing for Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Maloney.

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Madam Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Yes, I have a letter dated December 26, 2007.

Dear Secretary Shipley - Enclosed please find a copy of Proclamation No. 2007-427, filed in my office on December 26th, 2007, by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, calling for a Special Session of the 95th General Assembly, to begin at 5 p.m. on January 2nd, 2008. A notice and accompanying Proclamation has been delivered today to each Member's district office.

Sincerely, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The Senate of the 95th General Assembly is -- Assembly has convened its Nineteenth Special Session.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 2007-427)

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

The Senate of the 95th General Assembly is convened in -- in its Nineteenth Special Session. Under the practice of this Body since -- since the 88th General Assembly, the rules adopted by the 95th General Assembly and its officers and committees are in effect for the continuous period of the 95th General Assembly, including any Special Session. The -- President -- I mean... Senator Brady, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BRADY:

Question of the President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Question?

SENATOR BRADY:

Mr. President, I question the presence of a quorum and request a roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

Senator Brady, there is no intention to do any business today. We were opening and closing. Do you still request?

SENATOR BRADY:

Yes, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR CLAYBORNE)

You request a quorum? Senator Brady, I was informed by the Parliamentarian that there is no -- since we're not organizing, there is no need to call a quorum, because we're not going to conduct any business. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Nineteenth Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned until Wednesday, January 9th, 2008, at 12:19 p.m. The Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned.