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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Senate will come to order. Madam Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State, please. SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

I have a letter dated July 9th, 2008.

Dear Secretary Shipley - Enclosed please find a copy of Proclamation No. 2008-279, filed in my office on July 9th, 2008, by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, calling for a Special Session of the 95th General Assembly, to begin at 2:28 p.m. on July 9th, 2008. A notice and accompanying Proclamation have been delivered to each Member's office.

Sincerely, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 2008-279) PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you very much, Madam Secretary. The Senate of the 95th General Assembly is convened in its Twenty-first Special Session. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, under the practice of this Body 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. Now, there are three organizational resolutions that will be adopted today. These resolutions inform the House that the Senate is ready to conduct business, create a Senate Committee of five to wait upon the Governor, and create a Senate Committee of three people to approve the Journals for the Senate for all the days of Special Session. Madam Secretary, Resolutions, please. SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 1, Twenty-first Special Session, offered

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by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads SR No. 1) PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. Okay, Senator Jones moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution No. 1. All those in favor will say Aye. All those opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it. And the rules are suspended. Now, Senator Jones now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 1. Those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it. Madam Secretary, the resolution is adopted. Madam Secretary, continuing on Resolutions, please.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 2, Twenty-first Special Session, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

(Secretary reads SR No. 2) PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. Okay, President Jones moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution No. 2. Once again, all those in favor will say Aye. All those opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. President Jones now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 2. Those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed will say Nay. And the Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted, Madam Secretary. Madam Secretary, finally, continuing on Resolutions.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Resolution 3, Twenty-first Special Session, offered by Senator Emil Jones.

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(Secretary reads SR No. 3) PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Once again, President Jones moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution No. 3. All those in favor of suspending the rules will say Aye. All those opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Now, President Jones now --President Jones now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 3. Those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed will say Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted, Madam Secretary. Madam Secretary, Communications from the Governor. SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

We've received communications from the Governor with respect to Senate Bills 1102, 1115 and 1129, which have been returned with the Governor's vetoes. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DELEO)

Madam Secretary, have the communications been printed and distributed?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Yes, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

The Twenty-first Special Session of the General Assembly will stand in recess to call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

#### PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR LINK)

The Senate will please come to order. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Twenty-first

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Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned until Thursday, July 10th, 2008, at 10:02 a.m. The Special Session of the Senate stands adjourned.