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The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Representative Hannig in the chair.

Prayer by Pastor Robert Herath with the Nashville Grace United Methodist Church in Nashville, IL.

Representative Osterman led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:

114 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

By unanimous consent, Representatives Bailey, Joyce, McGuire and Pihos were excused from attendance.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative McAuliffe replaced Representative Hassert in the Committee on Rules on November 2, 2005.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the bill be reported "approved for consideration" and be placed on the order of Consideration Postponed: HOUSE BILL 2151.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

3, Yeas; 1, Nay; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie,Barbara(D), Chairperson

A Black,William(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Hannig,Gary(D)

N McAuliffe (R) (replacing Hassert)

Y Turner,Arthur(D)

Representative Currie, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, (A) reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES APPROVED FOR FLOOR CONSIDERATION:

That the Floor Amendments be reported "recommends be adopted":

Amendment No. 3 to HOUSE BILL 2151.

Amendment No. 2 to SENATE BILL 204.

That the resolution be reported "recommends be adopted" and be placed on the House Calendar: SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 51.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Personnel and Pensions: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 3 to SENATE BILL 1693.

State Government Administration: HOUSE AMENDMENT No. 3 to SENATE BILL 1879.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measures is as follows:

3, Yeas; 1, Nay; 0, Answering Present.

Y Currie,Barbara(D), Chairperson

A Black,William(R), Republican Spokesperson

Y Hannig,Gary(D)

N Hassert,Brent(R)

Y Turner,Arthur(D)

VETO MOTION SUBMITTED

Representative Colvin submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION #1

I move that the House concur with the Senate in the passage of SENATE BILL 1509, the Governor's Specific Recommendations for Change notwithstanding.

MOTIONS SUBMITTED

Representative Froehlich submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION

Pursuant to Rule 60(b), I move to table HOUSE RESOLUTION 688.

Representative Chapa LaVia submitted the following written motion, which was placed on the order of Motions:

MOTION

Pursuant to Rule 60(b), I move to table HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52.

FISCAL NOTES SUPPLIED

Fiscal Notes have been supplied for HOUSE BILL 1920, as amended, and SENATE BILL 1681, as amended.

JUDICIAL NOTES SUPPLIED

Judicial Notes have been supplied for HOUSE BILL 1920, as amended, and SENATE BILLS 1445 and 1681, as amended.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 706

Offered by Representative Moffitt:
Congratulates the Galesburg Noon Lions Club on its 85th Anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 707

Offered by Representative May:
Congratulates Vincent and Patricia Schumacher on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 708

Offered by Representative Myers:
Congratulates Dr. Gordon A. Taylor, Jr. on his retirement from Western Illinois University and the Western Alumni Association.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 709

Offered by Representative Watson:

Congratulates Jerry Reinsdorf for his astuteness in assembling one of the most winning teams in Chicago White Sox history and for bringing the first World Series Championship to Chicago since 1917.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 712

Offered by Representative Daniels:

Recognizes and applauds Ozzie Guillen for his leadership of the 2005 World Champion Chicago White Sox and his dedication and community service to the city of Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 713

Offered by Representative Osterman:

Mourns the death of William A. Norkett of Chicago.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 714

Offered by Representative Granberg:

Congratulates Mayor Donald L. Maue on being elected Illinois Municipal League President for 2005-2006.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 715

Offered by Representative Madigan:

Congratulates the 2005 Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005 World Championship.

RECALLS

At the request of the principal sponsor, Representative Colvin, SENATE BILL 49 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

At the request of the principal sponsor, Representative Granberg, HOUSE BILL 2151 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR

Supplemental Calendar No. 1 was distributed to the Members at 12:40 o'clock p.m.

AGREED RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION 715 was taken up for consideration.
Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolution.
The motion prevailed and the agreed resolution was adopted.

SUSPEND POSTING REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Rule 25, Representative Brosnahan moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 21 in relation to SENATE BILL 2111.

The motion prevailed.

Pursuant to Rule 25, Representative Currie moved to suspend the posting requirements in Rule 21 in relation to SENATE BILL 852.

The motion prevailed.

RECEDE OR REFUSAL TO RECEDE FROM HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL

House Amendment No. 1 to SENATE BILL 158, having been reproduced, was taken up for consideration.

Representative Saviano moved that the House recede from Amendment No. 1. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

113, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 2)

The motion prevailed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

RECALL

At the request of the principal sponsor, Representative William Davis, SENATE BILL 204 was recalled from the order of Third Reading to the order of Second Reading and held on that order.

ACTION ON VETO MOTION

Pursuant to the Motion submitted previously, Representative Kosel moved that HOUSE BILL 1334 do pass, the Veto of the Governor notwithstanding. A three-fifths vote is required.

And on that motion, a vote was taken resulting as follows:

62, Yeas; 47, Nays; 2, Answering Present.

(ROLL CALL 3)

Having failed to receive the votes of three-fifths of the Members elected, the motion was declared lost.

AGREED RESOLUTIONS

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 706, 707, 708, 709, 712, 713 and 714 were taken up for consideration.

Representative Currie moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions.

The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

RESOLUTION

Having been reported out of the Committee on Higher Education on October 26, 2005, HOUSE RESOLUTION 609 was taken up for consideration.

Representative Reis moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed and the Resolution was adopted.

At the hour of 2:55 o'clock p.m., Representative Currie moved that the House do now adjourn until Thursday, November 3, 2005, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.

The motion prevailed.

And the House stood adjourned.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
 NINETY-FOURTH
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 HOUSE ROLL CALL
 QUORUM ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE

November 02, 2005

0 YEAS

0 NAYS

114 PRESENT

P Acevedo	P Delgado	P Lang	P Pritchard
E Bailey	P Dugan	P Leitch	P Ramey
P Bassi	P Dunkin	P Lindner	P Reis
P Beaubien	P Dunn	P Lyons, Eileen	P Reitz
P Beiser	P Eddy	P Lyons, Joseph	P Rita
P Bellock	P Feigenholtz	P Mathias	P Rose
P Berrios	P Flider	P Mautino	P Ryg
P Biggins	P Flowers	P May	P Sacia
P Black	P Franks	P McAuliffe	P Saviano
P Boland	P Fritchey	P McCarthy	P Schmitz
P Bost	P Froehlich	E McGuire	P Schock
P Bradley, John	P Giles	P McKeon	P Scully
P Bradley, Richard	P Gordon	P Mendoza	P Smith
P Brady	P Graham	P Meyer	P Sommer
P Brauer	P Granberg	P Miller	P Soto
P Brosnahan	P Hamos	P Mitchell, Bill	P Stephens
P Burke	P Hannig	P Mitchell, Jerry	P Sullivan
P Chapa LaVia	P Hassert	P Moffitt	P Tenhouse
P Chavez	P Hoffman	P Molaro	P Tryon
P Churchill	P Holbrook	P Mulligan	P Turner
P Collins	P Howard	P Munson	P Verschoore
P Colvin	P Hultgren	P Myers	P Wait
P Coulson	P Jakobsson	P Nekritz	P Washington
P Cross	P Jefferson	P Osmond	P Watson
P Cultra	P Jenisch	P Osterman	P Winters
P Currie	P Jones	P Parke	P Yarbrough
P D'Amico	E Joyce	P Patterson	P Younge
P Daniels	P Kelly	P Phelps	P Mr. Speaker
P Davis, Monique	P Kosel	E Pihos	
P Davis, William	P Krause	P Poe	

E - Denotes Excused Absence

STATE OF ILLINOIS
 NINETY-FOURTH
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 HOUSE ROLL CALL
 SENATE BILL 158
 PODIATRY-DISCIPLINARY FUND
 MOTION TO RECEDE FROM HOUSE AMENDMENT NO.1
 PREVAILED
 3/5 VOTE REQUIRED

November 02, 2005

113 YEAS

0 NAYS

0 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	Y Lang	Y Pritchard
E Bailey	Y Dugan	Y Leitch	Y Ramey
Y Bassi	Y Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Reis
Y Beaubien	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	Y Reitz
Y Beiser	Y Eddy	Y Lyons, Joseph	Y Rita
Y Bellock	Y Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rose
Y Berrios	Y Flider	Y Mautino	Y Ryg
Y Biggins	Y Flowers	Y May	Y Sacia
Y Black	Y Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Saviano
Y Boland	Y Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Froehlich	E McGuire	Y Schock
Y Bradley, John	Y Giles	Y McKeon	Y Scully
Y Bradley, Richard	Y Gordon	Y Mendoza	Y Smith
A Brady	Y Graham	Y Meyer	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Granberg	Y Miller	Y Soto
Y Brosnahan	Y Hamos	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
Y Burke	Y Hannig	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
Y Chapa LaVia	Y Hassert	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
Y Chavez	Y Hoffman	Y Molaro	Y Tryon
Y Churchill	Y Holbrook	Y Mulligan	Y Turner
Y Collins	Y Howard	Y Munson	Y Verschoore
Y Colvin	Y Hultgren	Y Myers	Y Wait
Y Coulson	Y Jakobsson	Y Nekritz	Y Washington
Y Cross	Y Jefferson	Y Osmond	Y Watson
Y Cultra	Y Jenisch	Y Osterman	Y Winters
Y Currie	Y Jones	Y Parke	Y Yarbrough
Y D'Amico	E Joyce	Y Patterson	Y Younge
Y Daniels	Y Kelly	Y Phelps	Y Mr. Speaker
Y Davis, Monique	Y Kosel	E Pihos	
Y Davis, William	Y Krause	Y Poe	

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
 NINETY-FOURTH
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 HOUSE ROLL CALL
 HOUSE BILL 1334
 VEH CD-WEIGHT-TRUCK MIXERS
 MOTION TO OVERRIDE TOTAL VETO
 LOST
 3/5 VOTE REQUIRED

November 02, 2005

62 YEAS

47 NAYS

2 PRESENT

Y Acevedo	Y Delgado	N Lang	Y Pritchard
E Bailey	N Dugan	Y Leitch	Y Ramey
Y Bassi	N Dunkin	Y Lindner	Y Reis
Y Beaubien	Y Dunn	Y Lyons, Eileen	N Reitz
N Beiser	Y Eddy	A Lyons, Joseph	N Rita
Y Bellock	N Feigenholtz	Y Mathias	Y Rose
A Berrios	N Flider	Y Mautino	N Ryg
Y Biggins	N Flowers	N May	Y Sacia
Y Black	N Franks	Y McAuliffe	Y Saviano
Y Boland	N Fritchey	Y McCarthy	Y Schmitz
Y Bost	Y Froehlich	E McGuire	Y Schock
N Bradley, John	Y Giles	N McKeon	P Scully
Y Bradley, Richard	N Gordon	N Mendoza	Y Smith
E Brady	N Graham	Y Meyer	Y Sommer
Y Brauer	Y Granberg	N Miller	N Soto
N Brosnahan	N Hamos	Y Mitchell, Bill	Y Stephens
N Burke	N Hannig	Y Mitchell, Jerry	Y Sullivan
N Chapa LaVia	Y Hassert	Y Moffitt	Y Tenhouse
N Chavez	N Hoffman	N Molaro	Y Tryon
Y Churchill	N Holbrook	Y Mulligan	Y Turner
Y Collins	N Howard	Y Munson	N Verschoore
N Colvin	Y Hultgren	Y Myers	Y Wait
N Coulson	N Jakobsson	N Nekritz	Y Washington
Y Cross	N Jefferson	Y Osmond	Y Watson
Y Cultra	Y Jenisch	N Osterman	Y Winters
N Currie	P Jones	Y Parke	N Yarbrough
N D'Amico	E Joyce	N Patterson	N Younge
Y Daniels	N Kelly	N Phelps	N Mr. Speaker
N Davis, Monique	Y Kosel	E Pihos	
N Davis, William	Y Krause	Y Poe	

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71ST LEGISLATIVE DAY**Perfunctory Session****WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2005**

At the hour of 5:02 o'clock p.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

Having been reproduced, the following bills were taken up, read by title a second time and held on the order of Second Reading: SENATE BILLS 67, 766, 852 and 2111.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Brosnahan replaced Representative Bailey in the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law on November 2, 2005.

Representative Pihos replaced Representative Coulson in the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education on November 2, 2005.

Representative Hassert replaced Representative Myers in the Committee on State Government Administration on November 2, 2005.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Molaro, Chairperson, from the Committee on Judiciary II - Criminal Law to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 2111.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 2111 is as follows:

11, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Molaro,Robert(D), Chairperson	Y Brosnahan(D) (replacing Bailey)
Y Bradley,John(D)	Y Collins,Annazette(D)
Y Cultra,Shane(R)	A Delgado,William(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Froehlich,Paul(R)	Y Gordon,Careen(D)
Y Howard,Constance(D)	A Jones,Lovana(D)
A Lindner,Patricia(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Mautino,Frank(D)
Y Reis,David(R)	Y Sacia,Jim(R)
A Stephens,Ron(R)	A Wait,Ronald(R)

Representative Holbrook, Chairperson, from the Committee on Environment & Energy to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported "do pass as amended" and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 67.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 67 is as follows:

17, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Holbrook,Thomas(D), Chairperson	Y Nekritz,Elaine(D), Vice-Chairperson
A Bradley,Richard(D)	Y Cultra,Shane(R)

Y Hamos,Julie(D)	A Joyce,Kevin(D)
Y Kosel,Renee(R)	Y Leitch,David(R)
A Mautino,Frank(D)	Y May,Karen(D)
Y Meyer,James(R)	A Parke,Terry(R)
Y Phelps,Brandon(D)	Y Reitz,Dan(D)
Y Rita,Robert(D)	Y Rose,Chapin(R)
Y Schock,Aaron(R)	A Smith,Michael(D)
Y Tenhouse,Art(R), Republican Spokesperson	Y Tryon,Michael(R)
Y Verschoore,Patrick(D)	Y Winters,Dave(R)

Representative Giles, Chairperson, from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 852.

That the resolution be reported “recommends be adopted” and be placed on the House Calendar: HOUSE RESOLUTION 509.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 852 is as follows:

13, Yeas; 5, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Giles,Calvin(D), Chairperson	Y Davis,Monique(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Bassi,Suzanne(R)	N Beiser,Daniel(D)
N Chapa LaVia,Linda(D)	A Colvin,Marlow(D)
N Dugan,Lisa(D)	Y Eddy,Roger(R)
N Flider,Robert(D)	A Joyce,Kevin(D)
Y Miller,David(D)	Y Mitchell,Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Moffitt,Donald(R)	Y Mulligan,Rosemary(R)
N Munson,Ruth(R)	Y Osterman,Harry(D)
Y Coulson(R) (replacing Pihos)	Y Pritchard,Robert(R)
A Reis,David(R)	Y Smith,Michael(D)
Y Watson,Jim(R)	

The committee roll call vote on House Resolution 509 is as follows:

18, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Giles,Calvin(D), Chairperson	Y Davis,Monique(D), Vice-Chairperson
Y Bassi,Suzanne(R)	Y Beiser,Daniel(D)
Y Chapa LaVia,Linda(D)	A Colvin,Marlow(D)
Y Dugan,Lisa(D)	Y Eddy,Roger(R)
Y Flider,Robert(D)	A Joyce,Kevin(D)
Y Miller,David(D)	Y Mitchell,Jerry(R), Republican Spokesperson
Y Moffitt,Donald(R)	Y Mulligan,Rosemary(R)
Y Munson,Ruth(R)	Y Osterman,Harry(D)
Y Coulson(R) (replacing Pihos)	Y Pritchard,Robert(R)
A Reis,David(R)	Y Smith,Michael(D)
Y Watson,Jim(R)	

Representative Franks, Chairperson, from the Committee on State Government Administration to which the following were referred, action taken on November 2, 2005, and reported the same back with the following recommendations:

That the bill be reported “do pass” and be placed on the order of Second Reading-- Short Debate: SENATE BILL 766.

The committee roll call vote on Senate Bill 766 is as follows:

7, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Franks,Jack(D), Chairperson	Y Bradley,John(D)
Y Chavez,Michelle(D)	Y Collins,Annazette(D)
Y Dugan,Lisa(D), Vice-Chairperson	A Mitchell,Bill(R)
Y Hassert(R) (replacing Myers)	Y Ramey,Harry(R)
A Stephens,Ron(R), Republican Spokesperson	

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 710

Offered by Representative Osmond:

WHEREAS, The Menominee tribe has proposed a casino in Kenosha, Wisconsin, that will be an \$808 million facility with 3,200 gambling positions; and

WHEREAS, A large portion of the casino's customers will be Lake County residents, but all of the tax revenue, jobs, and other benefits from the casino will inure to the benefit of Kenosha, Kenosha County, and Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, The Menominee have indicated that they will employ, on a priority basis, Kenosha and Southeastern Wisconsin citizens, leaving out hard-working Illinois residents; and

WHEREAS, The social costs from problem gambling will fall very heavily on those Illinois communities closest to the casino, but no funds will be made available to the State of Illinois or local governments in Illinois to address the impact of problem gambling; the result will be that Illinois citizens will be compelled to pay for problems caused by a Wisconsin casino; and

WHEREAS, The Menominee Tribe expects gamblers at the casino, most of whom will be from Illinois, to lose over \$400 million a year; and

WHEREAS, When Illinois citizens gamble with their discretionary dollars, they will have less money to spend on dining, entertainment, shopping, and sporting events in Lake County and elsewhere in Illinois; this casino will adversely affect the livelihood of countless small businesses in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, The casino project will greatly increase traffic on our already heavily traveled Illinois roads; this will have the greatest adverse affect on the environment of Lake County through increased air emissions and water runoff; and

WHEREAS, While these impacts will undoubtedly take place, the Bureau of Indian Affairs chose first in its scoping document and in its Draft Environmental Impact Statement to totally ignore these serious negative impacts on the Illinois communities near the casino; in fact, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement does not even discuss these negative impacts; not only is this wrong, but this approach violates the Bureau of Indian Affairs' own policies; and

WHEREAS, Under Part 2 of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Checklist for Gaming Acquisitions (Section 20(b)(1)(A), found at page 7, issued in March of 2005), units of local government located within 10 miles of the proposed gaming establishment are to be included in the analysis of significant detriments that may be incurred by local governments; Lake County and many of its communities are a mere 6 miles from the site of the proposed Menominee Casino; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the members of the House of Representatives respectfully urge that the Menominee Draft Environmental Impact Statement be revised to include northern Illinois and that a public hearing be held in Illinois to assess the impact on Illinois of this proposed project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be presented to the Menominee Tribe, the members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs as an expression of our concerns.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 711

Offered by Representative Cross:

WHEREAS, On January 26, 1986, the Chicago Bears won the National Football League's Championship Game: Super Bowl XX, against the New England Patriots, by a score of 46-10; during that 1985 season, the Chicago Bears, also known as the "Monsters of the Midway" for their ferocious "46 defense", had a regular season record of 15-1; during that regular season, the Chicago Bears defense only allowed 198 points to be scored against them, including the two shut-outs, while the Chicago offense scored over three times that, with 456 total points scored during the regular season; the 1985 playoffs and Super Bowl XX were no different, in which the Chicago Bears won by the scores of 21-0 against the New York Giants, 24-0 against the Los Angeles Rams, and the 46-10 against the New England Patriots in the Super Bowl win; and

WHEREAS, The 1985 Chicago Bears dominated the National Football League, their persona and swagger also dominated both the City of Chicago and the nation as a whole; the leaders of the 1985 Chicago Bears became household names in every home in the nation; leaders such as coaches Mike Ditka and Buddy Ryan, players Jim McMahon, Mike Singletary, Richard Dent, Dan Hampton, Kevin Butler, William "the Fridge" Perry, Willie Gault, Dave Duerson, Shaun Gayle, Gary Fencik, Steve Fuller, Wilber Marshall, Dennis McKinnon, Ron Rivera, Matt Suhey, Otis Wilson, and the team's greatest player and leader, the immortal "Sweetness", Walter Payton; and

WHEREAS, Just before their Super Bowl win, the 1985 Chicago Bears became forever engrained in the hearts and minds of every Chicagoan, Illinoisan, and Chicago Bears fan nationwide with the creation and release of the Super Bowl Shuffle; with players now identified with the nicknames of "Samurai Mike", "Punky QB", "Mama's Boy Otis", "Sackman", and, of course, "Sweetness", not only was the song well received by fans everywhere, the song hit #41 on the Billboard charts, and sold over 2 million copies; and

WHEREAS, 2005 is the 20th anniversary of what ESPN, on May 15, 2005, has determined was the greatest football team ever in the history of the National Football League by Eddie Epstein in his ESPN article "Papa Bear Would've Been Proud of the '85 Team"; the 1985 Chicago Bears have once again come together to not only to celebrate the most prolific season in Chicago Bears history, but to also help raise funds for various local charities, including the Walter & Connie Payton Foundation, the After School Matters foundation, and the Misericordia foundation; throughout the entire 2005 season, former players from the 1985 Chicago Bears will be making various appearances around the City of Chicago, and its metropolitan areas, in a joint effort to commemorate their championship season with their fans, as well as to help those who need help the most; many of their events can be viewed on their website www.85worldchamps.com; and

WHEREAS, Each and every individual player and coach of the 1985 Chicago Bears are to be recognized, in alphabetical order, for their achievements, both on and off the field; the State of Illinois recognizes the 1985 Chicago Bears players: Brad Anderson (wide receiver-#86), Tom Andrews (center-#60), Brian Baschnagel (wide receiver-#84), Kurt Becker (guard-#79), Mark Bortz (guard-#62), Maury Buford (punter-#8), Kevin Butler (place kicker-#6), Brian Cabral (linebacker-#54), Jim Covert (offensive tackle-#74), Richard Dent (defensive end-#95), Dave Duerson (safety-#22), Pat Dunsmore (tight end-#88), Gary Fencik (safety-#45), Jeff Fisher (defensive back-#24), Leslie Frazier (cornerback-#21), Andy Frederick (tackle-#71), Steve Fuller (quarterback-#4), Willie Gault (wide receiver-#83), Shaun Gayle (defensive back-#23), Dan Hampton (defensive end-#99), Mike Hartentine (defensive end-#73), Jay Hilgenberg (center-#63), Stefan Humphries (guard-#75), Tyrone Keys (defensive end-#98), Mitch Krenk (tight end-#89), James Maness (wide receiver-#91), Ken Margerum (wide receiver-#82), Wilber Marshall (linebacker-#58), Dennis McKinnon (wide receiver-#85), Jim McMahon (quarterback-#9), Steve McMichael (defensive tackle-#76), Emery Moorehead (tight end-#87), Jim Morrissey (linebacker-#51), Keith Ortego (wide receiver-#96), Walter Payton (running back-#34), William Perry (defensive tackle-#72), Reggie Phillips (cornerback-#48), Dan Rains (linebacker-#53), Mike Richardson (cornerback-#27), Ron Rivera (linebacker-#59), Thomas Sanders (running back-#20), Mike Singletary (linebacker-#50), Matt Suhey (fullback-#26), Ken Taylor (defensive back-#31), Tom Thayer (guard-#57), Calvin Thomas (running back-#33), Cliff Thrift (linebacker-#52), Mike Tomczak (quarterback-#18), Keith Van Horne (offensive tackle-#78), Henry Waechter (defensive tackle-#70), Otis Wilson (linebacker-#55), and Tim Wrightman (tight end-#80); furthermore, the State of Illinois recognizes the coaches of the 1985 Chicago Bears: Head Coach Mike Ditka, Jim Dooley (Research and Quality control), Strength Coach Clyde Emrich, Defensive Line Coach Dale Haupt, Offensive Coordinator Ed Hughes, Special Teams/Tight Ends Coach Steve Kazor, Defensive Secondary Coach Jim LaRue, Receivers Coach Ted Plumb, Running Backs Coach Johnny Roland, Defensive Coordinator Buddy Ryan, and Offensive Line Coach Dick Stanfel; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the 1985 Chicago Bears be recognized as the greatest football team of all time, with the realization that the entire 1985 season and Super Bowl XX victory was a complete team effort to which all persons and athletes should aspire to become; and be it further

RESOLVED, That during the twentieth anniversary of their Super Bowl XX victory, the 1985 Chicago Bears, in honor of their accomplishments on the field and their selflessness in giving back to the community off the field, the State of Illinois shall designate the month of November 2005 as 1985 Chicago Bears Championship Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the 1985 National Football League Champions, the Chicago Bears, shall be saluted and commemorated by the 94th Illinois General Assembly by the singing of the official tribute to the Chicago Bears, "Bear Down, Chicago Bears", in which the lyrics are as follows:

Bear Down, Chicago Bears.

Make every play clear the way to victory!

Bear Down, Chicago Bears.

Put up a fight with a might so fearlessly!

We'll never forget the way you thrilled the nation,

With your T formation.

Bear Down, Chicago Bears.

And let them know why you're wearing the crown.

You're the pride and joy,

Of all Illinois.

Chicago Bears, Bear Down!; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be given to each individual player of the 1985 Chicago Bears football team, each individual coach of the 1985 Chicago Bears football team, and to the McCaskey family and any other representatives of the Chicago Bears organization.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 716

Offered by Representative Cross:

WHEREAS, The Conservation Foundation works to promote the protection of open space and natural areas in Kendall County and to restore and maintain its watersheds; and

WHEREAS, Kendall County is the fastest growing county in Illinois and the second fastest growing county in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Kendall County residents demonstrated their support for open space preservation in a 2002 referendum and in many surveys; and

WHEREAS, Through private funding, The Conservation Foundation established "Protect Kendall Now!", an initiative to increase the pace of land preservation in Kendall County through the creation of a unified Open Space and Natural Areas Plan, the launching of a public awareness campaign, and direct contact with local landowners; and

WHEREAS, It would be advantageous for The Conservation Foundation to work with Kendall County and all municipalities within Kendall County to meet the objectives of Protect Kendall Now!; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the Illinois House of Representatives supports the Protect Kendall Now! program and urges The Conservation Foundation, Kendall County, and all municipalities within Kendall County to work together cooperatively to implement this initiative; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Chairman of The Conservation Foundation, the chairman of the Kendall County board, and the mayor of each municipality within Kendall County.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4171. Introduced by Representatives Coulson - Kosel - Pritchard - Mitchell, Bill - Black and Krause, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4172. Introduced by Representative Yarbrough, AN ACT concerning consumer fraud.

HOUSE BILL 4173. Introduced by Representative Fritchey, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 4174. Introduced by Representative Fritchey, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4175. Introduced by Representative Granberg, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4176. Introduced by Representative Schmitz, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4177. Introduced by Representative Franks, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4178. Introduced by Representatives Gordon - Bradley, John - Dugan - Jakobsson - Mautino, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4179. Introduced by Representative Osmond, AN ACT concerning name changes.

At the hour of 5:07 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.