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- Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading is Senate Bill 2412."
- Speaker Evans: "The House shall be in order. The House shall be in order. Members shall be in their chairs. We shall be led in prayer today by Imam Hassan Aly. Imam Aly is with the Humanitarian Faith Initiative. Imam Aly is the guest of Representative Didech. Members and guests are asked to refrain from starting their laptops, turn off all cell phones, and rise for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance."
- Imam Aly: "In the name of God, the most merciful God. [Speaks Arabic.] Indeed, God commands you to render trust to those whom they are due and, when you judge between people, to judge with justice. Excellent is that which God instructs you. Indeed, God is ever hearing and seeing. O God almighty and merciful, as we gather here today to open this Session, we humbly seek your blessings, protection, and guidance for all who serve our great state. May the decisions made within these walls be just and fair, guided by your divine wisdom, compassion, and a profound sense of responsibility. Grant us, O Lord, the courage to seek truth in all of our affairs and the strength to uphold the noble values that define our society. Let this space be a haven where the voices of the oppressed are heard, valued, and uplifted and where justice, peace, and equality prevail. Guide our hearts and minds as we strive to serve the common good. Help us to approach our work with humility and open mind, listening attentively to the

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voices of those we represent and seeking to understand their needs and concerns. Our Lord, we pray for peace in every corner of the world where conflicts and strife threaten lives of innocent people. May your divine wisdom bring harmony to all nations and all countries. Grant us the wisdom to recognize the dignity and worth of every human life and inspire us to work to protect and preserve it, regardless of race, religion, or background. Inspire us to be agents of positive change, working towards a world where compassion triumphs over hatred, where justice is the cornerstone of our shared humanity, and where the ugly sounds of war are replaced by the beautiful songs of peace. May your strength sustain us. May your power preserve us. May your hands protect us. And may your way direct us on the path of righteousness. Our Lord, we acknowledge that you are the ultimate source of peace, life, and love. Accept our prayers today and every day. Amen."

- Speaker Evans: "We'll be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Rashid."
- Rashid 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 Evans: "Roll Call for Attendance. Leader Gabel is recognized to report any excused absences on the Democratic side of the aisle."
- Gabel: "Speaker, let the record show that Representatives Gill, Flowers, Ladisch Douglass, and Norma Hernandez are excused today."

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- Speaker Evans: "Leader Windhorst is recognized to report any excused absences on the Republican side of the aisle."
- Windhorst: "Thank you. Please excuse Representative Hauter today."
- Speaker Evans: "Have all recorded themselves who wish? Have all recorded themselves who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. There being 113 Members answering the roll call, a quorum is present. Mr. Clerk, Committee Reports."
- Clerk Hollman: "Committee Reports. Representative Davis, Will Davis, Chairperson from the Committee on Appropriations-Elementary & Secondary Education reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 5430, Senate Bill 3237, Senate Bill 3606, and Senate Bill 3768. Representative Walsh, Chairperson from the Committee on Public Utilities reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3173. Representative Harper, Chairperson from the Committee on Agriculture & Conservation reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 914, Senate Bill 2747, Senate Bill 2767, Senate Bill 3077, Senate Bill 3219, Senate Bill 3407; recommends be adopted is House Resolution 587 and Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Resolution 625. Representative Moylan, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Regulations, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3202, Senate Bill 3451; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 67 and House Resolution 687. Representative Costa Chairperson from the Committee on Adoption & Child Welfare

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reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2788, Senate Bill 2980, Senate Bill 3232, Senate Bill 3367; do pass as amended Short Debate is House Bill 4781 and Senate Bill 3136. Representative Jones, Chairperson from the Committee on Insurance reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 56, Senate Bill 773, Senate Bill 2573, Senate Bill 2641, Senate Bill 2672, Senate Bill 2697, Senate Bill 2735, Senate Bill 3130, Senate Bill 3203, Senate Bill 3318, Senate Bill 3414, Senate 3538, Senate Bill 3599, and Senate Bill Representative Slaughter, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Criminal reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is House Bill 4834, Senate Bill 2626, Senate Bill 2643, Senate Bill 2934, Senate Bill 3285, Senate Bill 3405, and Senate Bill 3463. Representative Ann Williams, Chairperson from the Committee on Energy & Environment reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2743, Senate Bill 2781, Senate Bill 2876, Senate Bill 2960, Senate Bill 3165, Senate Bill 3279, Senate Bill 3342, Senate Bill 3448, Senate Bill 3481, Senate Bill 3501, Senate Bill 3566, Senate Bill 3601, Senate Bill 3686, Senate Bill 3716; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 3506. Representative DeLuca, Chairperson from the Committee on Cities & Villages reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3429. Representative Yednock, Chairperson from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs reports the following committee action

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taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2751 and Senate Bill 2778. Representative Meyers-Martin, Chairperson from the Committee on Consumer Protection reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2764, Senate Bill 2933, and Senate Bill 3678. Representative Croke, Chairperson from the Committee on Financial Institutions and Licensing reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3314, Senate Bill 3343, Senate Bill 3550, Senate Bill 3551, Senate Bill 3597, Senate Bill Senate Bill 3696. Representative Mussman, Chairperson from the Committee on Elementary & Secondary School Curriculums & Policies reports the Education: following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2872, Senate Bill 3151, Senate Bill 3349, Senate Bill 3473, Senate Bill 3571. Representative Moeller, Chairperson from the Committee on Human Services reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 647, Senate Bill 857, Senate Bill 2655, Senate Bill 2715, Senate Bill 2799, Senate Bill 2957, Senate Bill 3297, Senate Bill 3350, Senate Bill 3430, Senate Bill 3548, Senate Bill 3661, Senate Bill 3691, Senate Bill 3753. Representative Gong-Gershowitz, Chairperson from the Committee on Judiciary - Civil reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2683, Senate Bill 2765, Senate Bill 2919, Senate Bill 2979, Senate Bill 3284, Senate Bill 3420, Senate Bill 3421, Senate Bill 3460, Senate Bill 3479, and Senate Bill 3513. Representative Andrade, Chairperson

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from the Committee on Transportation: Vehicles & Safety reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 275, Senate Bill 2654, Senate Bill 2667, Senate Bill 2959, Senate Bill 3406, Senate Bill 3471, Senate Bill 35... correction, 3775; do pass as amended Short Debate is Senate Bill 1960; and recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to House Bill 4170. Representative Guzzardi, Chairperson from the Committee on Housing reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2597, Senate Bill 2601, Senate Bill 2740, Senate Bill 2834, Senate Bill 2935, Senate Bill 3351, Senate Bill 3652. Representative Morgan, Chairperson from the Committee on Health Care Licenses reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 2586, Senate Bill 2660, Senate Bill 2731, Senate Bill 2822, Senate Bill 3211, Senate Bill 3467. Representative Rita, Chairperson from the Committee on the Executive reports the following committee action taken on May 1, 2024: recommends be adopted is Floor Amendment(s) 2 to Senate Bill 2412. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 734, offered by Representative Weaver; House Resolution 735, offered by Representative Vella; House Resolution 736, offered by Representative Sheehan; House Resolution 737, offered by Representative Jiménez; and House Joint Resolution 70, offered by Representative Huynh; and House Joint Resolution 71, offered by Representative West, are referred to the Rules Committee." Speaker Evans: "Leader Gordon-Booth is recognized."

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Gordon-Booth: "Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker. I ask for the indulgence of the Body for a moment. If the young men and women of Christ Lutheran School would stand. What you are looking at is the pride of Peoria. These young men and women have accomplished something that was absolutely incredible. The Christ Lutheran School boys and girls basketball teams were both named state champions, placing first in their respective programs in 2024. The boys team had a 35 and 0 season. Yes. They... they went on to be successful in winning the state championship, and that was before they went on to win the national championship. Again, please allow... I would love for your indulgence because these young people need to be recognized. The team is led by Head Coach Terry Mooney Jr. and Assistant Coaches Terry Mooney Sr. and Marcellus Sommerville, who was a standout at Bradley University. You may remember him on the front page of Sports Illustrated. The team members include members Nigel Moore, Anfernee Moore, Trey Alexander, Bryan Nichelson, Kaylen Hardy, Noah Sydnor, Canaan Metz, Corey Hearn, Carmelo Hearn, Quentyn Matthews, Christian Fuller, Camden Knox-Reed, Demario Weldy, Lawson Sommerville, and Jaylen Stewart. They are also joined by the co-state and national championship girls team. With all of the excitement currently around women's basketball, both at the collegiate and the WNBA level, I'm sure that you will be seeing some of these young women on a television near you. The girls basketball team includes members Amiyah Gulley, Kennedy Gaines, Ma'Kya Maxwell, Keniya Todd, Lamberti, Da'Mari Maxwell, Leah Stenger, Remiya Summerville, Saniyah Jones, and Faith Fuller. The girls basketball team

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was led by Head Coach Paris Gulley, who also played for my husband many moons ago for Emanuel High School. They are also coached by Assistant Coach Marlon Herron, who I also went to high school with. I believe that when young men and women dedicate themselves to the... to any sport, it's bigger than basketball. The hard work, the dedication that they put forth, that their families put forth, that their coaches put forth really become seeds for success in their lives long beyond their grade school basketball careers. These young men and women, as I stated, are not just the pride of Peoria, but they're the pride of the South Side. They are some of the best that our community has to offer, and I want you all to give them a warm Illinois House of Representatives welcome and congratulations. They are also accompanied today by my daughter, Jianna Booth. Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen."

Speaker Evans: "Leader Gordon-Booth moves for the adoption of House Resolution 733. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Resolution is adopted. Representative Weber is recognized on House Resolution 703. Representative Weber."

Weber: "A point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Weber: "Speaker, before I begin, I just ask for everyone's attention, as we will be doing a law enforcement recognition today. Ladies and Gentlemen, joining us in the Speaker's Gallery today is Lake County Sheriff Deputy John Forlenza. Deputy Forlenza was the partner and handler of, as far as I am aware, the most decorated police K9 in the history of the United States, Dax. During our last Session, we... in April, we

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adopted House Resolution 703 to honor the service and dedication of Dax and Deputy Forlenza. For those of you who may not be familiar with Dax, I'd like to take a moment to share some of the incredible exploits, the work he did alongside Deputy Forlenza protecting our communities. Dax was quickly recognized as a special dog by his breeder and the training team at the police K9 training center at TOPS kennel and matched with Deputy Forlenza in 2015. Dax and Deputy Forlenza formed a partnership that has saved numerous lives and led to the seizure of millions of dollars, hundreds of kilos of illegal drugs, and dozens of illegal firearms, and dozens of vehicles. Dax has received numerous recognitions his service over the years, including the International-Illinois North Shore Chapter Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award in 2015 (sic-2017), the Chicago Crime Commission Paws of Distinction in 2017, the K9s of Valor Foundation K9 of the Year in 2018, the 100 Club of Chicago Valor Award in 2019, the American Humane Hero Dog for Law Enforcement in 2019, the Italian American Police Association Officer of the Year 2019, Lake County Sheriff Commendation Award of 2022, the Lake County Sheriff's Office Award of Valor in 2022, the Illinois Law Enforcement Medal of Honor in 2023, and the German Shepard Dog Club of the Year Hero Dog Award in 2023 as well. Dax is the six-time winner of the United States Police Canine Association Championship and has earned two Exceptional Tracking Certificates. Dax has gained national fame for his service due to numerous appearances on local and national TV, including Fox Nation Hero Dogs, Channel's American Humane Hero Dog, Hallmark Channel's Home

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and Family show, NBC Access Daily, NBC Today Show, A&E Network's America's Top Dog competition, and ESPN's Dynamic K9 Duos. Dax has also been featured on People Magazine and made many appearances at local schools and demonstrations for police K9 skills to teach the public about the police profession and the incredible work that police dogs do to protect our communities. Dax was truly a special dog. But none of his accomplishments would have been possible without the dedication and determination of his handler. It is a testament to the work Deputy Forlenza put in over the years that Dax was able to achieve so much. And for those of you who don't know, police K9s live full time with their handlers and their families. And I think it's fair to say that the whole Forlenza family contributed to Dax's success through the loving bond that we humans form with our dogs. Sadly, this year, Dax was injured in his neck and spine in the line of duty apprehending a repeat felon who was fleeing officers, subsequently forcing his retirement. Due to the extent of Dax's injuries, the difficult decision was made to end his suffering on April 12, 2024. Tomorrow, we will gather at the Illinois Police Officers Memorial to honor all the officers who have given their lives over the course of the past year protecting our communities. Although K9 officers are not listed on the memorial, their contributions to protecting our less important than communities are no counterparts and honoring their memory is no less important to their partners and their families. Deputy Forlenza, I know it wasn't possible for you and your family to join us today, but I wanted to say thank you to your and your family. You've

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done amazing work in protecting our communities. We are all grateful for your service, the love your family gave to Dax, and all that you have done to protect our communities in Northern Illinois. Speaker, I would request that the Body take a moment of silence to honor the memory of Dax and the service of Lake County Sheriff's Police. And I know some other Members might want to say a few words. So, thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Mason is recognized."

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, want to welcome Deputy Forlenza to Springfield. Apologies. I wish that it were under different circumstances that you came to see us. I had the honor of first meeting Detective Forlenza and K9 Dax in December of 2019 when I was newly elected and invited them to come to a community event I was hosting. And they came, and they did a demonstration. I was then in awe of Dax's power and his strength, his determination and his skill. And I was really in awe of their teamwork. He and Detective Forlenza were true partners. They communicated and they worked in sync to accomplish the tasks at hand. But I was also really struck by the love that they clearly shared for each other. In fact, I remember seeing them sitting on the side together and looking at each other and being so struck by the way that they were there together that I snapped a photo. And I still carry it with me, and I'll... I'll be sharing that with you. K9 Dax was an absolute hero and received many accolades, saved many lives, including the detective's, found drugs and guns and dangerous, violent criminals. But he was also your partner, and more than that, he was a member of your family. And I'm very grateful for K9 Dax. I'm very saddened that he

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was injured so severely in the line of duty. And Representative Weber is correct. We need to honor him along with other officers that have been in those circumstances. Just know that we're very grateful for you. We thank you for your service, and the team of Deputy Forlenza... I don't know why I'm having trouble with this. I apologize... and Dax will not be forgotten. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "This Resolution was previously adopted. Please rise and stand for a moment of silence. Thank you. Leader McCombie is recognized."

McCombie: "Thank you, Speaker. Today, I would like to introduce my Page for the day, Naomi Sdao. She is a 15-year-old from Freeport. And while we were in the elevator, she shared a moment with Representative Davis, who also has a love for theater, which I found out about him today as well. She's on her student council, she's on her speech team, and she is also in competitive dance. During her first season as a competitive dancer at Freeport High School, she made first team all-state in NIC-10. She babysits, splitting her money with her college fund and also for some fun. And I would just like to welcome her to Springfield. Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Proceeding to the Order of House Bills on Second Reading. Supplemental Calendar A, we have Senate Bill 2412.

Leader Hoffman is recognized. Leader Keicher is recognized."

Keicher: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Republicans would request
 an immediate caucus in Room 118."

Speaker Evans: "Would 30 minutes suffice?"

Keicher: "It should be good."

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Speaker Evans: "Thank you. The Republicans will caucus in Room 118 for 30 minutes. The House will stand at ease."

Keicher: "Mr. Speaker, I was just advised to revise that to an hour."

Speaker Evans: "The Republicans will caucus in Room 118 for one hour. The Democrats will not caucus. We will recess to the call of the Chair. Thank you. The House is in order. The House is in order. Representative Huynh is recognized."

Huynh: "Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege."

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Huynh: "Thank you so much. May is AAPI Heritage Month, and we want to really highlight this month by pushing for a House Joint Resolution 70. I want to just read the Resolution quickly, and I want to also acknowledge all the AAPI Caucus Members as well in... in the General Assembly. So, all of us here, please stand up and we'll get this Resolution going. The month of May first commemorate Asian American and Pacific Islander heritage in 1979 and has been celebrated as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month since 1990. This commemoration uplifts the stories of more than 50 distinct ethnic groups and more than a hundred languages that comprise Asian American and Pacific Islander communities. And the month of May was chosen to commemorate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month to mark the first arrival of Japanese immigrants on May 7, 1843 and the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad on May 10, 1869 through the incredible effort of mostly Chinese immigrant workers. And Illinois is home to more than 905 (sic-905 thousand) Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, according to the most recent

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American Community Survey data available from the U.S. Census Bureau. The five largest communities represented are Indian Americans, Filipino Americans, Chinese Americans, Korean Americans, and Pakistani Americans. And through immigration and refugee resettlement and as multi-generational families, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have taken many pathways to call Illinois home. And Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders comprise the fastest growing racial or ethnic group in the country, and Asian Americans and Pacific Islander communities are vital parts of communities across Illinois in cities, in suburbs, and rural areas of the state. And the history of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander is deeply intertwined in the history of the United States of America and often fraught with discrimination, exclusion, and violence. Despite these and other challenges, Asian American and Pacific Islander communities continue to rise. They have been a vital part of the development of Illinois and of the United States in every facet of public life and in the advancement of civil rights. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS... eight Assembly Members strong, the Asian American Caucus here, standing up... that we declare May of 2024 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in honor of the contributions made by the Asian American and Pacific Islander community and residents and communities across Illinois. Thank you so much for your time. Happy AAPI Month."

Speaker Evans: "Representative du Buclet is recognized." du Buclet: "Point of personal preference... privilege."

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Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

du Buclet: "Good afternoon, Members of the General Assembly. I am here with the Lieutenant... Lieutenant Governor Juliana Stratton. And she and I are here to read a Resolution recognizing Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. So, if they could please stand, if they're in the gallery. Are they not here? Oh, there's... there's one or two, okay."

Lieutenant Governor Stratton: "Thank you for this opportunity.

- WHEREAS, On January 15, 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated was founded with the mission to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind"; and
- WHEREAS, In 1915, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated hosted its first political action conference with human rights activist and Illinois Congressman Martin B. Madden as speaker; and
- WHEREAS, Since establishing its headquarters in Chicago in 1949, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's function has become more complex, expanding to mobilize members worldwide for advocacy and service projects to improve socioeconomic, racial, political, and environmental issues; and
- WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's diverse collaborative work throughout the United States, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, and the United Arab Emirates integrates an elevated level of personal engagement with the

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- strong bonds of sisterhood and a productive network of community partners; and..."
- du Buclet: "...WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated's annual event is an opportunity for members to speak with local lawmakers, engage in workshops, and advocate for critical issues such as Black maternal health, education, and suicide prevention; and
 - WHEREAS, Illinois is home to 44 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated chapters, which... of which 16 are active chaptered members located on college and university campuses and 28 are active alumnae chapters located in communities throughout the State; and
 - WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.'s Illinois chapters, along with chapters located throughout Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and St. Louis and Cape Girardeau, Missouri are designated as the sorority's Central Region, and this region is home to 96 empowered and engaged chapters focused on advocacy and service; and
 - WHEREAS, Presently, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
 Incorporated serves in each chamber of the Illinois General
 Assembly, including Senator Mattie Hunter and myself,
 Representative Kim du Buclet; and
 - WHEREAS, Notably, Juliana Stratton, the 48th Lieutenant Governor, serves in the State's executive branch and is also a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated;..."

Lieutenant Governor Stratton: "...and

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WHEREAS, On May 1, 2024, Illinois members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated will participate in Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Day at the Illinois State Capitol; and WHEREAS, The Illinois delegation of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated will be joined by the Illinois delegation of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated at the Illinois State Capitol in a collective effort to advance the priorities of the respective communities they serve; therefore, be it RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

declare May 1, 2024 as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Day in the State of Illinois. Good to see you

- all. Thank you."

 Speaker Evans: "We will be returning to the Order of House Bills...

 excuse me, Senate Bills on Second Reading. On Supplemental

 Calendar A, we have Senate Bill 2412, Leader Hoffman. Mr.
- Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2412, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. This Bill was read a second time previously. Amendment 1 was adopted in committee. Floor Amendment #2, offered by Representative Hoffman, has been approved for consideration."
- Speaker Evans: "Leader Hoffman on the Amendment."
- Hoffman: "Mr. Speaker, I would ask that we adopt Amendment #2 and then we can debate the Amendment... the Bill on Third Reading."
- Speaker Evans: "Leader Hoffman moves for the adoption of Floor Amendment #2. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it.

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And the Amendment is adopted. Any further Amendments, Mr. Clerk?"

Clerk Hollman: "No further Amendments, but notes have been requested by the Sponsor and have not been filed at this point."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Rep... Leader Hoffman on the notes."

Hoffman: "I would withdraw the notes."

Clerk Hollman: "No further Motions."

Speaker Evans: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, read the Bill on Third Reading."

Clerk Hollman: "Senate Bill 2412, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. Third Reading of this Senate Bill."

Speaker Evans: "Leader Hoffman."

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Hoffman: House. I would... I would indicate that this is a mini elections omnibus Bill, and it does three things, basically three things. It places three statewide nonbinding advisory referendums on the 2024 general election ballot. It would eliminate the slating process to place candidates on the general election ballot in certain circumstances for Members of the General Assembly. And finally, it moves up petition deadlines by 28 days at the request of the Illinois County Clerks and Recorders Association. The advisory referendums, as I indicated, would be three. First would be an Election Worker Protection and Candidate Accountability Referendum Act. The second, the Property Tax Relief and Fairness Referendum Act. The third, an Assisted Reproductive Health Referendum Act. With regard to the slating process, currently a party can slate an individual 75 days after a primary, even

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if that individual did not file for the primary election, file the petitions for the final primary election, or did not conduct a write-in campaign at the primary election. This would remove this ability of a legislative or representative committee to nominate candidates for State Representative or the State Senate. And finally, as I indicated, it would extend... it would move the petition deadline by 28 days at the request of the Illinois County Clerks and Recorders Association. I ask for a favorable roll call."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no discussion, the question is, 'Shall Senate Bill 2412 pass?' All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 67 voting 'yes', 4 voting 'no', and 40 voting 'present'. And this Bill, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared passed. Moving forward to page 5 of the Calendar. Under the Order of Resolutions, we have House Joint Resolution 63. Representative Mussman is recognized."

Mussman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House. House Joint Resolution 63 is an initiative of the Illinois... of Illinois resident Laura Adams. She has turned a challenging situation for her family into the advocacy to support adopted, fostered, and immigrant children across our state. This demographic of youth make up more than 15 percent of our student body and growing. They are statistically more likely to need mental health services but struggle to access ones that are specially trained in best practices to meet their unique traumas. These young people are more likely to be

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diagnosed with conduct disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, ADHD, and psychosis. They are especially vulnerable to attachment disorder, even... when events occur even as early as birth or when they are with a loving, stable, supportive family. This Resolution shines a light on the lifelong impact these traumas can have on adopted, fostered, and immigrant youth and calls on Members of the General Assembly, the State Board of Education, the Department of Children and Family Services, and most especially school mental professionals, such as social workers, counselors, and psychologists, to be more aware of these special needs and to proactively become more educated about adoption competent mental health services so we can help these children live their best lives. Thank you so much."

Speaker Evans: "Any discussion? Leader Windhorst."

Windhorst: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the Sponsor yield?"

Speaker Evans: "She indicated she will."

Windhorst: "Thank you. Representative, appreciate you bringing this Bill forward... or Resolution forward, rather. This is originating in this Body, will go to the Senate. Do you know yet who the Senate Sponsor is going to be of the Resolution?"

Mussman: "I do not remember who the Senate Sponsor is going to be. I believe that we have identified a... oh, I'm sorry. Senator... Senator Sara Feigenholtz will be the Senate Sponsor. I apologize. She's actually been working with Laura Adams also as we discuss the best ways, again, to better elevate this issue. And we felt that by doing a Joint Resolution in both the House and the Senate, it would shine an even brighter

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light than doing a Resolution in either one... one chamber or the other."

Windhorst: "And with the Joint Resolution, do you expect that to be shared with employees of the state, if I'm reading the resolved portion of the Resolution?"

Mussman: "Yes, it is."

Windhorst: "All right."

Mussman: "We believe that they come into contact with children like this every day. And again, they need to be aware that their needs may be a little different than... than the general population."

Windhorst: "Thank you."

Speaker Evans: "Seeing no further discussion, Representative Mussman moves for the adoption of House... House Joint Resolution 63. All those in favor vote 'aye'; all those opposed vote 'nay'. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Mr. Clerk, please take the record. On this question, there are 84 voting 'yes', 0 voting 'no', and 0 voting 'present'. And this Resolution, having received the Constitutional Majority, is hereby declared adopted. Leader Mah, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Mah: "Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Mah: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Colleagues, I'd like to point out in the gallery behind me my district staffer, Maggie Lee. She was here today with advocates for Asian American Action Day. Normally, she's in the office serving constituents in

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Chinese, Cantonese, Mandarin, and Taishanese. And so, please give her a warm Springfield welcome."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Johnson, for what reason do you seek recognition?"

Johnson: "Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Johnson: "I just want to wish a happy birthday to my seatmate to my right here, Harry Benton. Happy birthday, Harry. I believe... I think he's 63, 64. Is that about right, Harry? That's what he is. So, have a happy birthday, my friend."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Benton is recognized."

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Benton: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Point of personal privilege."

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Benton: "Thank you to my seatmate for that one. And I want to wish my birthday buddy, senior LC Fallon Sellers, a happy birthday."

Speaker Evans: "Representative Davis, for reason do you seek recognition?"

Davis, W.: "May I have a point, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Evans: "Please speak your point."

Davis, W.: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, earlier you heard Representative du Buclet acknowledge via Resolution the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. There were several that weren't in the gallery when she made her announcement. So, I want to take the opportunity, certainly, to acknowledge other ladies that are in the gallery today from Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. But certainly, the one that makes me do what I

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do, my district director, Tawny Smith. If she would stand. I wanted to make sure on this day I acknowledge her. Many of you know I know I've been around a long time, and the only way that I've been able to be who I am for such a long time is the fact that I have a young lady working in my office that really helps me be who I am as Legislator. So, Tawny has been with me, Ladies and Gentlemen, for about 18 years as my district director. And so, I'm certainly honored to have her and working in my office, to be a part of ... she's one of my constituents. Just an outstanding relationship. So, again, thank you to Tawny for all of her hard work to make sure that the 30th District is taken care of on every possible occasion. And again, congratulation to the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated on their lobby day and acknowledging their efforts to make sure that we are still working to become a stronger and a better state through their advocacy and lobbying efforts. So, congratulation, ladies. Thank you all very much for being with us today."

Speaker Evans: "Mr. Clerk, committee announcements."

Clerk Hollman: "The following committees will be meeting immediately: Immigration & Human Rights in Room 122B.

Elementary & Secondary Education: Administration, Licensing & Charter Schools in Room 115. Economic Opportunity and Equity in Room D-1. Labor & Commerce in Room 114. State Government Administration in Room 118. Following that is Higher Education in Room 122B. And following that is Appropriations-General Services in D-1 and Appropriations-Public Safety in C-1."

Speaker Evans: "Mr. Clerk, Agreed Resolutions."

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Clerk Hollman: "Agreed Resolutions. House Resolution 738, offered by Representative Ford."

Speaker Evans: "Leader Gabel moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the Agreed Resolutions are adopted. And now, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk, Leader Gabel moves that the House stand adjourned until Thursday, May 2, at the hour of 12 p.m. noon. All those in favor say 'aye'; all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair, the 'ayes' have it. And the House stands adjourned."

Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5831, offered by Representative Stuart, a Bill for an Act concerning education. First Reading of this House Bill. from Corrected Committee Report April 30, 2024. Representative Moylan, Chairperson from the Committee on Transportation: Regulation, Roads & Bridges reports the following committee action taken on April 30, 2024: do pass Short Debate is Senate Bill 3175, Senate Bill 3202, Senate Bill 3451; recommends be adopted is House Joint Resolution 67 and House Resolution 687. Second Reading of House Bills. House Bill 4781, a Bill for an Act concerning children. House Bill 4834, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5430, a Bill for an Act concerning education. Second Reading of these House Bills. They'll be held on the Order of Second Reading. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."