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Clerk Leone: "All those assembled in these chambers give attention! Would all those assembled in these chambers please give attention. The Secretary of State, Governor-Elect and the Honorable Jim Edgar sends greetings and proclaims that this day, the second Wednesday of January, 1991, is the day fixed for convening the House of Representatives of the 87th General Assembly of the State of Illinois pursuant to Article 4, Section 5 of the Constitution. All persons except Members-Elect and their families are requested to clear the chambers and the Provisional Doorkeeper is directed to clear the aisle."

Doorkeeper: "Will all those not entitled to the floor please retire from the chamber. Will all Representatives-Elect please be assembled in the chamber. Thank you."

Clerk Leone: "May I have your attention please. At the Speaker's rostrum and ready to convene the House of Representatives of the 87th General Assembly in and for the great State of Illinois is the Secretary of State and Governor-Elect, the Honorable Jim Edgar."

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you very much. The House of Representatives of the 87th General Assembly of the State of Illinois will now come to order. Let me welcome all of you here today. Especially welcome those of you and congratulate those of you who have been elected as Members of the House of Representatives, and particularly those of you who are elected for the first time to the House of Representatives. I'm sure you'll find that this part of your career to be one of the most exciting, interesting, at times a little frustrating, parts of your career that you'll ever experience. And I also want to welcome and congratulate the family members, because as I've said many times you're the folks that have to do all the work."

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You've got to go back home and answer the phone calls while your family member is here voting. This is a special treat and honor for me. This is the sixth time as Secretary of State I've had the honor to convene the Illinois House of Representatives. It's especially meaningful to me as a former Member of the House of Representatives to get to be the presiding officer. And the way that Representative Madigan is going, it might be the only way that any of the rest of you get to be the presiding officer is to get elected Secretary of State. Quoting from the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, Article 4, Section 6(b). 'On the first day of the January Session of the General Assembly in the odd-numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from its Membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer.' Prior to taking the roll we would like to hear from the Hillel Torah North Suburban Day School Choir of Skokie for a number."

(CHOIR)

Speaker Edgar: "Now I'd like to call on the Reverend Gary McCants to lead us in prayer."

Reverend McCants: "May we bow our hearts. Lord, as we come at this hour we come to give thanks and to give praise, we come to lift up these men and women who have made a decision to serve the people of this great state by serving in this House of Representatives. We ask, oh God, as they take the oath of office today that they may consider the weighty issues that are before them. We ask oh God, that as they come they come in confidence, that they come in faith realizing that this is a Body in which compromises must be made, realizing that it's not all or nothing. Looking unto You who are the author and the finisher of our faith, Lord, we recommend to You these men and women and

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their sons and daughters. We ask oh God, that You may visit with their families when they are not able to be home. We ask that You may watch over them, that You may care for them, that You may wrap your loving arms around them, that You may embrace them with kindness and with peace and that You might take them to a point in their lives when they will have mountaintop experiences. But as they have such experiences they, oh God, might realize that they can't always stay on the mountaintop, but from time to time they must come down and they must mingle with the people and share with them their mountaintop experience. And then God we ask that You would rock them in Your cradle of love and that You might expose them oh God, to the warmness and the kindness of their fellow men and women, the colleagues that they will serve with. And we ask oh God that You may allow them to be the people You are calling for in these last days and times. And in all these things Lord, God, and for all that's before them we ask that You may walk with them, undergird them, shepherd them, dispatch angels around them and that we'll give You the glory, we'll give You all honor and we'll give You the praise. And in the dear name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen."

(CHOIR)

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you very much, choir. Now we'll be led in prayer by Rabbi Stephen F. Moch, Temple B'rith Sholom of Springfield. I'd ask everyone to please stand. Rabbi Moch."

Rabbi Moch: "There was once an itinerant preacher who would go from town to town, a Rabbi, and as he in his travels came to a town where the people were known for the intensity of their prayer. And he was conducted with great pride to their synagogue which was filled with people praying and he

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remained outside, refused to enter. The people said, 'Rabbi, please come in', and he said, 'No, I'm sorry, there's no room for me inside.' And he said, 'Let the prayers of the people go out of the synagogue and then there will be room for me inside'. That's what this House of Representatives is all about. It's a place, a house, to help peoples prayers for a just society and a 'commodium' of contentment to go out into the world. The challenge to you who have been elected to this office to serve in this House has become a question of how to do that effectively. The Prophet Micah has given us a clue as to the proper method when he told us that what is required of us is to enact justice, to love mercy, to walk humbly with our God. Let us pray together. Oh God, who is the source of both justice and mercy, who is everywhere at all times, You know oh God, our human frailties our limitations. We ask Your blessing upon these good men and women whom the people of Illinois have placed into office to legislate their interests, to help make their prayers go out into the world. The people have placed a great confidence in them. We pray that these lawmakers will in turn place their confidence in You for guidance and discernment, for strength and sustenance as they walk what must always be a difficult path. The responsibility of these Legislators oh God, will be to the citizenry of Illinois. Bestow upon them enough wisdom to know how to balance the interests of the many over those of the individual. Help them to remember not only their responsibility to the people as a whole, but also that they are the champions of the individuals in their districts who need their help. Each precious person has his needs, her dreams. May the Legislature...the Legislators of this House of Representatives enact law and administer all the affairs of

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this state in justice and equity tempered with compassion and love, that peace and security, happiness and prosperity, right and freedom may abide amongst us all. Their task oh God, is sacred, to forge this state into a whole entity in which every individual is helped and challenged and in which we all work to bring redemption and repair to a world in need. In their efforts to overcome their human limitations oh God, help them to grow greater in love, to grow broader in perspective, to grow richer in spirit. Oh God, consecrate this Legislature this day and help its Members to stay mindful of the grave and noble tasks that are theirs and let all the citizens of Illinois through their efforts receive Your blessing. Let us strive to unite all inhabitants of Illinois into a bond of true friendship, to banish hatred and to safeguard the ideals and the free institutions which are our state's glory. And let us remember the words of the Prophet that everyone may sit under his vine and under his fig tree to live in peace and unafraid. Praised are You oh God, who has created us, who has sustained us and who has enabled us to reach this great moment of joy."

Speaker Edgar: "Thank you, Rabbi. Next we would like to hear from the choir from the Greater Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church of Chicago. Please have everyone's attention. Again, it's my pleasure to present the choir from the Greater Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church of Chicago."

(CHOIR)

Speaker Edgar: "I'd like to now ask the Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State-Elect and former Speaker of the House George Ryan to please come forward and lead us in the pledge of allegiance. Would everyone please stand."

George Ryan - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the

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United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Speaker Edgar: "Joining us this afternoon are other colleagues of mine in state government. I would like to introduce the Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, Ben Miller. Joining Justice Miller are other members of the court. Justice Thomas Moran and a former Member of the Illinois House, Justice Horace Calvo, Justice Charles Freeman and Justice Michael Bilandic. Also joining us are State Treasurer Jerry Cosentino, current State Comptroller and Attorney General-Elect Roland Burris. Again I'd like to introduce the Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State-Elect George Ryan and the State Superintendent of Education Bob Leininger. You may all be seated. For the duration for the organizational proceedings I've appointed the following Provisional officers. A Provisional Clerk, Anthony J. Leone, Jr. As Provisional...could be a draft, Tony. As Provisional Doorkeeper, Jeff Clark. And as Provisional Parliamentarian Mark Boozell. The Provisional Clerk will call the roll of the Members elected to the 87th General Assembly. The roll will be called in alphabetical order as certified by the State Board of Election. Will the Members please answer 'present'. Mr. Clerk, call the roll."

Clerk Leone: "Ackerman. Balanoff. Barnes. Black. Brunsvold. Bugielski. Burke. Burzynski. Capparelli. Churchill. Cowlshaw. Cronin. Cullerton. Curran. Currie. Daniels. Davis. Deering. DeJaegher. DeLeo. Deuchler. Didrickson. Doederlein. Dunn. Edley. Ewing. Farley. Flinn. Flowers. Frederick. Giglio. Giorgi. Granberg. Hannig. Harris. Hartke. Hasara. Hensel. Hicks. Hoffman. Homer. Hultgren. Johnson. Lou Jones. Shirley

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Jones. Keane. Kirkland. Klemm. Kubik. Kulas. Lang.
Laurino. LeFlore. Leitch. Leverenz. Levin. Madigan.
Martinez. Matijevich. Mautino. McAfee. McAuliffe.
McCracken. McGann. McGuire. McNamara. McPike. Morrow.
Mulcahey. Munizzi. Noland. Novak. Obrzut. Bob Olson.
Myron Olson. Parcels. Parke. Bernard Pedersen.
Persico. William Peterson. Petka. Phelan. Phelps.
Piel. Preston. Pullen. Regan. Rice. Richmond. Ronan.
Ropp. Rotello. Ryder. Saltsman. Santiago.
Satterthwaite. Schakowsky. Schoenberg. Shaw. Sieben.
Stange. Steczko. Stern. Tenhouse. Trotter. Turner.
Wait. Walsh. Weaver. Weller. Wennlund. White.
Williams. Wojcik. Wolf. Woolard. Anthony Young and
Wyvetter Younge."

Speaker Edgar: "All 118 Representatives-Elect having answered the Roll Call and being in attendance, a quorum is present and the House of Representatives of the 87th General Assembly is officially convened. The Provisional Clerk will enter the Attendance Roll Call into the Journal. I now have the honor of presenting a very distinguished jurist, a former Member of the Illinois House of Representatives, the Honorable Alan J. Greiman. Blew that! You're the same guy...you're the same guy I use to discuss with... Honorable Alan J. Greiman, Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County who will do a very important job, administer the constitutional oath of office to all of you."

Judge Greiman: "Will the Members-Elect please stand at your desks and raise your right hands and repeat after me as I give you the oath. 'I (and state your name) do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Representative in the General Assembly

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according to the best of my ability.' Let me congratulate all of you and wish you a fulfilling and successful Session."

Speaker Edgar: "Let me also offer my congratulations to all of you. And your work has just begun and the first thing you need to do to make it official is please sign the documents you have on your desk. The Pages, we hope, will pick them up. I'd like the House to be at ease for a few moments while we ask everyone who is not a Member of the Illinois House to please retire to the gallery or to other rooms in the area that have closed circuit television. It's very important...Okay. It's very important that only Members remain on the floor as we continue to elect the Speaker of the House. There are closed circuit television in Room 114 and 118 on the 1st floor."

Clerk Leone: "Would all Members please execute their oaths of office. There are three oaths of office on each Member's desk. A Page will be around or please bring them down to the well. Please, each Member execute their oath of office and all...yes, bring all three down. And all unauthorized Members would you please vacate the chamber. Again, I'd like to remind the Members to sign their oaths of office, all three copies, and either a Page will return them to the well or please return them to the well. We need to account for all oaths of office before we begin with the rest of today's organizational ceremonies. All persons except Members and authorized staff are asked to withdraw from the chambers at this time. Would you please retire to the gallery or Rooms 114 or 118. And again I'd like to remind the Members to please sign, execute their oaths of office, all three copies, and have them either brought down to the well or have a Page bring them down. We'd like to begin with the second half of today's ceremonies. I have blank

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copies of oaths of office if somebody has misplaced theirs. Would all persons except Members and authorized staff be asked to withdraw from the chamber at this time. Please retire to the gallery or Rooms 114 or 118 where the proceedings are being televised. Members-Elect, would you please return to your desks. All persons except Members and authorized staff are asked to withdraw from the chambers at this time. Please, we want to begin with the second half of these ceremonies. Please retire to the gallery or Room 114 or 118. Thank you. If there are any Members that need a written oath of office please come to the well, if not, please return your three copies of your executed oath of office to the well. Going to begin. All persons except Members and authorized staff are asked to withdraw from the chambers at this time."

Speaker Edgar: "Under Article 4, Section 6(b) of the Constitution, the first order of business of this House is the election from its Members a Speaker as presiding officer. Sixty votes shall be required for the election of Speaker. The House is now convened by the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 86th General Assembly which are made applicable to these proceedings by Section 3 of An Act relating to the operations of the General Assembly to repeal certain Acts therein, approved July 7, 1967, as amended, which provide that the person receiving a majority of the votes of the Members elected shall be declared elected Speaker. Those rules further provide ten minutes per Member for debate and one minute for explanation of vote for Members who have not previously spoken in debate to the point. We're getting ready for your first action here. With the consent of the House I would like to limit nominating speeches to no more than ten minutes and seconding speeches to no more than five minutes. I would

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then permit three minutes debate time on the vote itself or one minute for explanation of vote by any Member not previously having spoken on the Roll Call for the election of Speaker. Is there consent? Is there consent? Okay. Hearing no objection and consent given, nominations are now in order for the Office of Speaker. The Gentleman from Madison, Representative McPike, is recognized to offer a nomination. Everybody please be in your seats."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House let me also congratulate each and every one of you who took the oath of office a few minutes ago and are now Members of the 87th General Assembly. And to all the guests that are here today we hope that you appreciate the beauty of this magnificent chamber. It is but one way for us to remind all visitors that this is the seat of Illinois government and to remind all Members that this great hall houses a coequal branch of government. Without question, in previous years the executive branch has dominated state government, but since 1983 this Body has strived to take its rightful place as coequal partners with the executive and judicial branches. To the incoming freshman. As you now struggle to represent the conflicting views of 100,000 constituents, we hope that throughout your careers in this House you will continue to insist that this institution remain a full partner in government. The first thing that this Body must do is to elect a Speaker. Before I nominate someone for that position let me relate to you a historically accurate account of a meeting that took place in July of 1945. Germany had surrendered in the spring of '45 and the war in the Pacific would continue until Hiroshima and Nagasaki would be destroyed in early August. During July of that year the three great powers, England, Russia and the United States met in Potsdam, Germany two

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miles outside of Berlin to draw the map of postwar Europe. From the United States came Harry Truman, in office but three months. From Russia came Stalin, representing the country that lost twenty million people in the war. And from England came Sir Winston Churchill, perhaps the best known politician in the world at that time. It was Churchill who had stood all alone from 1931 until 1939 warning everyone of the dangers of German rearmament and of the madman Hitler. It was Churchill who was elected Prime Minister the day after Germany invaded Poland. It was Churchill who had nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat. It was Churchill who would never surrender. It was Churchill who led England through her darkest hours. The conference at Potsdam, Germany lasted ten days. Winston Churchill left after the seventh day. He had led England to victory but he had been defeated for reelection, and the new Prime Minister Clement Attlee took over for the final three days of the conference to sign the documents that would divide Germany in half until 1990. This historic drama was first told to me five or six years ago by the Speaker of the Illinois House. One of the lessons of this tale is that people don't want to know what you did for them yesterday, they want to know what you're going to do for them tomorrow. This may sound a little cynical, but for a cautious politician it is a useful lesson to remember. Anyone can be defeated in an election, even Winston Churchill. The Speaker tries to remember this lesson every day. He is never content with what he did yesterday or as an individual Member he is always looking to do something else, today or tomorrow. This Speaker should be reelected because of what he has done for this Body as an institution. Because of him, no one doubts. Mr. Secretary, no one doubts. Now, this is a coequal

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branch of government in Illinois. He should be reelected for this reason alone. He should be reelected, because under his Leadership for eight straight years this Body has successfully addressed every controversial subject that came before us. Unemployment insurance, an unbelievable success story. Worker's compensation, the latest compromise was worked out in the Speaker's Office and went to the Governor without dissent. Public utility rewrite, bipartisan support under the Speaker's leadership. The White Sox stadium, built, opening pitch a few months away. Chicago school reform, passed, signed, implemented and found unconstitutional. No one in this Body doubts, no one in this Body doubts that those flaws will be corrected this year. A tax increase. Governor Thompson fought for two years to pass this tax increase. The Speaker introduced his version at a press conference in May of 1989 at 9:00 a.m. in the morning. At 1:00 p.m. it was in the Senate. This feat could not be equaled by any Legislator in the country. This list of legislative accomplishments is endless. Any incumbent, at least those on this side of the aisle, can add to this list success stories, legislation that passed that would not have happened had he not been Speaker. And he should be reelected for this reason alone. He dedicates himself to his job. Twelve hours a day he's in that office. He always finds time for every Member, devours the House Calendar, he raises a ton of money, he helped elect 72 Democrats. He makes...He makes us proud to be Legislators and he should be reelected for these reasons alone. But he won't be today. He will be reelected because of Winston Churchill, because the Speaker was in his office early this morning, he'll be there later this evening, he'll be back tomorrow and the next day and the next trying to solve a Member's problem, trying to do a

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favor, trying to grant a wish, giving us his very best every single day knowing that we'll be back in again tomorrow for something else. Today he will be elected to his fifth straight term, serving as Speaker of this great Body more consecutive years than anyone in the history of Illinois. And now if I could quote from a recent book on General Sam Houston written by James Michener. 'A leader may accumulate a spectacular chain of temporary results, but unless his character has been forged in the fires of integrity and his actions in the crucible of hard-edged reason, history will refuse to stamp him with the seal of greatness.' Without a doubt the history of Illinois will stamp this Speaker, our Speaker, the Speaker with the seal of greatness. Born April 19th, 1942, he graduated from St. Ignatius High School, the University of Notre Dame and Loyola University Law School. He served as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention and in 1970 was elected as a State Representative from the 27th District. In 1976 he married Shirley Romagoux and is now the father of four beautiful children. He was elected in 1983, 1985, 1987, 1989 and today he will be elected Speaker of 87th General Assembly. A statesman, a family man, a Notre Dame fan, a friend of mine, it is a great privilege for me to place into nomination for Speaker of the Illinois House the Honorable Michael J. Madigan."

Speaker Edgar: "The Gentleman from Madison, Representative McPike, places in nomination the name of the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Michael J. Madigan for Speaker of the House. Is there a second to this nomination? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Farley."

Farley: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I rise to second the nomination of Mike Madigan for Speaker of the Illinois House. All of the good things that

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Representative Jim McPike has stated about Mike Madigan I certainly agree with and endorse. I would like to add to Mike Madigan's credits, one term, one attitude and one idea that all of us and all the people of the State of Illinois certainly appreciate and that is his idea of compassion. His attitude of compassion. Mike Madigan has not only had to make the hard decisions in this state but the compassionate decisions. The people of the State of Illinois that come to Mike Madigan through their Representatives with their diverse groups and their diverse ideas and causes, know that Mike Madigan cares. The Members of this Body know that Mike Madigan cares. It is with a great deal of pride that I would second the nomination of Mike Madigan for the Speaker of the House of the Illinois Representatives and it would do the people of the State of Illinois well that Mike Madigan is the next Speaker of the House. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I proudly second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan for Speaker."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Anthony Young."

Young, A.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm pleased to second the nomination of Michael Madigan for Speaker of the House. When I came to the General Assembly six years ago the City of Chicago was in the midst of what we call council wars. Beirut on the Lake. That same racially divisive trouble was attempted to be brought to Springfield time after time after time. Time after time after time I saw Mike Madigan use his skill and the Office of Speaker to keep council wars out of Springfield. I saw him protect the City of Chicago and its citizens with the same zeal and vigor regardless of who the mayor was. The General Assembly has been described as a

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ship in the eye of the hurricane. Mike Madigan has used his well known skills of negotiation, conciliation and mediation to keep that ship afloat during his tenure as Speaker. I know him to be a fair man and most importantly a man whose word is good to everyone. He deserves to be reelected Speaker of the House."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Will, Representative McGuire."

McGuire: "I'm sorry. My name is Jack McGuire, I'm a new State Representative from the 83rd District, Joliet. I'd like to ad lib that while I'm a Colorado State graduate I'm a Notre Dame fan. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to second the nomination of Speaker Madigan for another term as Speaker of the House. I'm representing the eleven new Democratic Members elected in 1990. This new class of Democrats, eleven strong as I mentioned, is ready to take its place in state government and support the leadership of House Speaker Michael Madigan. Each and every one of us knows how much Speaker Madigan helped us last November in the election. These eleven victories occurred throughout the state. We won in my district in Joliet, we won in southern Illinois, central Illinois, northern Illinois, the collar counties, Chicago and even suburban Cook County. We know that Speaker Madigan's leadership and support was essential in these victories and that result is an additional five seats to our strong majority in the House. On behalf of the eleven new Democratic Members, the class of 1991, I second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan as Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives. Thank you very much."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Levin."

Levin: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I am pleased to second the nomination of Michael J.

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Madigan for Speaker of this House. He is a leader who has been responsive to his Members. I will never forget that Michael Madigan came through for me this year when I badly needed his support, as he has for many many other Members of this House. When you come to him he delivers for you. Mike has also learned that it's easy to keep independent Democrats like myself happy by involving them in issues and in the process as he does the other Members of this Body. I have seen Michael Madigan grow and mature as leader in this House since I was first elected in 1977. I am honored to second his nomination."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Obrzut."

Obrzut: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. I'm Jeff Obrzut, the new Representative for the 52nd District from the western suburbs of Cook County. I also rise to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan as Speaker. I can speak of my knowledge of Mike Madigan from my years of having worked for and around the Illinois General Assembly. He's a leader in every sense of the word. Mr. Madigan is fair, compassionate, hard-working and one who truly cares about the welfare of the entire State of Illinois. Mike Madigan is a strong family man and a person I consider to be a great friend. Mr. Madigan stood by and supported me as I sought the Office of State Representative, not once, not twice, but three times. I am truly honored to stand by him today and second his nomination as Speaker of the House for the 87th General Assembly. Thank you."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Lady from Lake, Representative Stern."

Stern: "Mr. Secretary and Members of the House I rise to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan. I like you have been

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much moved yesterday and today by what we have been doing here by the farewells and Godspeeds to those who won't be with us next year, by the wonderful pageantry today, those two great choirs, the children to remind us that that's why we're really here and the other choir to remind us as they left that we are free. I am free to nominate Tom McCracken if I wish as I stand here. I do not plan to do that. We are indeed free. Each one of us in this room is a winner. We are one in a hundred thousand as Ron Stephens reminded us yesterday. And we work down here in this rather stressful and eccentric atmosphere away from our home support and network and we need a kind of structure down here that we have been able to get with Michael Madigan as Speaker. He is a man of structure and form. He is extremely well organized. He cares about every Member of this House. He answers calls. He responds to mail and he gives me his opinion when I ask for it. Sometimes it is not the opinion I had hoped to get. And when I do not seem to be taking his advice, he accepts my decision with equanimity and good nature. I know that the newspapers occasionally refer to him as one of the last of the bosses. That is not true in my experience. I find him the kind of Speaker I can work under. He makes this environment possible for all of us. I am proud, pleased and extremely honored to second the nomination of Michael J. Madigan for Speaker of this House for another term."

Speaker Edgar: "Representative Michael J. Madigan is nominated for the Office of Speaker. Are there further nominations for the Office of Speaker? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing."

Ewing: "Mr. Speaker, Governor-Elect, thank you very much. It is indeed a pleasure for me today to rise again to nominate a candidate for Speaker of the Illinois House, a candidate

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who I know very well as a personal friend and a colleague of many years. Who is the Gentleman that I choose to nominate today? Well let me tell you a few things about him. He is a nine term distinguished Legislator in the Illinois House. He has been elected five times as the leader of the Republican Caucus in the House. He is a respected attorney, a seasoned and successful political leader. Yes, he is a recognized leader at the national level. The immediate past president of the National Conference of State Legislators. He is knowledgeable on state and national issues. He has been an advisor to many, to Governors to Members of Congress, yes, to Presidents. He is a family man and a very human and lovable person. He is a man with a sense of humor, a man with dedication and a man with motivation. Lee Daniels is the man that I want to place his name in nomination today. And I believe that he has the credentials to make a great Speaker of this House. He has experience as the Minority Leader. He has been an active Minority Leader. And he has not sat back because our numbers have been smaller, but he has been an aggressive and vocal leader of the Minority. He has been a leader in legislation some of which maybe the other side of aisle would like to think they were solely responsible for, such as improved mental health programs in this state, efforts to abate noise and to make O'Hare safer, flood control regulations needed in much of the suburban area. He has been a conservative in fiscal and tax matters and we take pride in that, not just in passing quick tax fixes. A leader of the legislative process, a leader in reform, a leader in education and reform. Lee Daniels is a leader who has been successful and whose abilities have helped him steer through this Legislative Body as a Minority the program of a Republican Governor for

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eight years. Not easy when the Legislature is dominated by the party of the opposition. The next Speaker should have the ability to work and to steer a course between many with competing ideologies. Lee Daniels has that ability and he has done it well in the past. And as a simple reminder from a person who's been here almost as long as any Republican, that just ten years ago we elected a Republican Speaker and then we drew a new map. The map was drawn by you on the other side of the aisle and we became a minority. Not a silent minority but a minority to be reckoned with. And now this year we will again draw a map and the shoes can be reversed very quickly in the political wars of Illinois, a state that is not overwhelmingly Democratic any more than it's overwhelmingly Republican. A state that probably doesn't really mirror the numbers of the two parties in this Body. Lee Daniels loves this process. He cares about a program that will meet the needs of all the citizens of Illinois into the 1990's. Lee Daniels has the ability, the stamina, the initiative to lead this great House as we work with the new administration to fend off the effects of recession and to move a new Governor's programs through this Body to serve the people of Illinois for the next four years and for many years thereafter. It is with pride that I put in nomination the name of Lee Daniels for Speaker of this House."

Speaker Edgar: "The Gentleman from Livingston, Representative Ewing, places in nomination the the name of the Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the House. Is there a second to this nomination? The Chair recognizes the Lady from DuPage, Representative Cowlshaw."

Cowlshaw: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Governor-Elect, Ladies and

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Gentlemen of the House. As I have listened to my articulate colleagues from both sides of this aisle speaking in behalf of the person for whom they wanted to put forward in nomination and have thought about my own part in that. I was reminded that among all of the things I have read in my life, I think perhaps the things of which I am the very most fond are the sonnets of William Shakespeare. Some of those I even have memorized. I used to say them to my children when they were little and as they grew older those...they came to have special meaning for them. One of those sonnets concludes with the words, 'We which now behold these present days have eyes to wonder but lack tongues to praise'. And that is how I feel when I stand to second the nomination of Lee Daniels, because I have eyes to wonder but I lack the tongue to adequately praise a man who is that worthy. First elected to this House in 1974 and then becoming the Minority Leader in 1983, he has served for a full term as president of the National Conference of State Legislatures (sic - Legislators). And that experience with the NCSL has made of Lee Daniels not just an experienced and able Legislator for our state but one with an understanding of the workings of issues and resolution of issues in all of the other states in this nation which is a real benefit for us here in Illinois. In addition to all of those qualities of intelligence and integrity and accomplishment however, there are some personal qualities that really matter to all of us and that are personified by Lee. That is that he is an easy person to get to know, an easy person to talk to, someone in whom you can place confidence and know that your trust is well placed, someone who's friendship is always warm and genuine. I treasure the friendship that I have with Lee Daniels. I treasure for the sake of this state

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what he has already done to promote the well-being of all citizens of Illinois. And I know that we all treasure what he will do in the years to come that will benefit us all, for like me, all of you here have eyes to wonder but lack tongues to praise."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Kubik."

Kubik: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Congratulations on your election and we wish you the best of luck as you face some difficult challenges. I want to offer my personal congratulations to each and every one of you in this House. I've had the privilege of serving in this House for six years and I have to tell you that they have been the most challenging and enriching in my life. And I want to thank each of you for giving me that opportunity and I look forward to working with you as we move forward. We face many challenges as we look to the two next...next two years of the 87th General Assembly, a new Governor, a difficult budget situation, a demand for services from all parts of the state and of course the issue that's on everybody's mind, reapportionment. These are just a few of the many issues we face. They will be difficult issues. They will require all of the energy and leadership that we individually and collectively have to offer. Those are the challenges before us. In this House to address these challenges we require a strong, vibrant and active two-party system. On the Republican side of the aisle we stand ready to meet these challenges and offer an agenda that is best for the citizens of Illinois. It is for these reasons that we offer as our candidate for Speaker, Representative Lee A. Daniels. You've heard a great deal about Representative Daniels' distinguished service as a Legislator, as a Minority Leader and the president of the

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National Conference of State Legislatures (sic - Legislators). He has done much in his short life and he has been recognized both at home and nationally for his distinguished public service. I'm not going to review those accomplishments because they were very eloquently stated by Representative Ewing. But what I would like to say is that above all else Representative Daniels believes in the two-party system and the benefits it brings both to politics and government. He understands the importance of an open, thorough and frank discussion of the great issues that face us and face our state. It is only through this kind of dialogue and debate that we can determine what is best for all of the citizens of Illinois. That is not only what Representative Daniels believes, but it's been a hallmark of the Republican Party. You see us as we are. Our Members are not afraid to fight for what we believe in. Oftentimes it is done at some political cost, but it is what makes our party the great party that it is. Now it is no secret that the House Republican Caucus had a contest for candidate for Speaker. Everybody knows that. But I believe it was a healthy contest that will make our conference stronger and more able to meet the challenges that we face in the next two years. It should also be understood that contest is over and we the Members of the Republican side of the aisle are here. We are ready to meet the challenges that face all of our citizens and we are unified behind our candidate for Speaker, Lee A. Daniels. Mr. Secretary, it's my privilege to second the nomination of Representative Lee A. Daniels for Office of Speaker of the House. Thank you."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Macon, Representative Noland."

Noland: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Governor-Elect, Ladies and

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Gentlemen. It is an honor for me to second the nomination of Lee Daniels for Speaker of the House. My entrance into this Assembly came just this past April when I came in a very abrupt manner, being appointed and sworn in the first day of the Spring Legislative Session. I come from a long line of farmers, a fifth generation to farm west of here about...or east of here about fifty miles. I am not a veteran politician. And my transition could have been very difficult, but yet it was made very smooth through the help and the concern and the dedication of Lee Daniels. He was able to give me the help of staff time, his door was always open and he understands the problems I have, the needs I have, the goals that you have, just like his. Although we come from very different districts, I come from a very rural district, he comes from a very urban district, he understands the challenges I face with rural America. He understands the problems we have with property tax relief and reform and for funding schools. He understands our problems. He would be an outstanding Speaker of the House and that's why I'm proud to nominate and second the nomination of Lee Daniels for Speaker. Thank you."

Speaker Edgar: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Piel."

Piel: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, Governor-Elect. I think I speak for the Members on this side of the aisle, we like the ring of that. It is a distinct honor to second the nomination of Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives. Lee has been a Member since 1975. He has distinguished himself as a proven leader. In 1983, Lee led the fight to reform the Regional Transportation Authority, a fight that many said could not be won but he won it. In 1984 he sponsored legislation to abolish legislative commissions, saving the taxpayers of Illinois, you and I,

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millions of dollars annually. In 1985 he sponsored legislation to reform Chicago's McCormick Place Trade Center. In 1986, Lee Daniels established a first in the nation trust funds to ensure adequate funding for long-term care for people with developmental disabilities. Lee has also shown his leadership ability by serving as former Majority Whip, eight years as House Minority Leader and immediate and past president of the National Conference of State Legislatures (sic - Legislators). Lee has always had an open door for any Member seeking his advice or opinion. Whether he agrees with you or not, he's willing to sit down and go over the pros and cons of any issue. And I can say he's a man of his word. Lee is willing to go to the wall for any of his Members when he feels they're in the right. As a devoted husband, father and public servant, it is with great pleasure that I humbly stand and second the nomination of Lee A. Daniels for Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives."

Speaker Edgar: "Representative Lee A. Daniels is nominated for the Office of Speaker. Are there further nominations for the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives? Being none, no further nominations offered from the floor, nominations for the Office of Speaker are closed. The nominees for the Office of Speaker are Representative Michael J. Madigan and Representative Lee A. Daniels. The Clerk will call the roll. I'll ask the Members to be in their chairs. We will have an Oral Roll Call and when your name is called please stand and cast your vote. The question is the election of the Speaker of the House of the 87th General Assembly. Mr. Clerk, will you please call the roll."

Clerk Leone: "Ackerman. Ackerman votes Daniels. Balanoff. Balanoff votes Madigan. Barnes. Barnes votes Daniels.

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Black. Black votes Daniels. Brunsvold. Brunsvold votes Madigan. Bugielski. Bugielski votes Madigan. Burke. Burke votes Madigan. Burzynski. Burzynski votes Daniels. Capparelli. Capparelli votes Madigan. Churchill. Churchill votes Daniels. Cowlshaw. Cowlshaw votes Daniels. Cronin. Cronin votes Daniels. Cullerton. Cullerton votes Madigan. Curran. Curran votes Madigan. Currie. Currie votes Madigan. Daniels."

Speaker Edgar: "The Gentleman from DuPage, Representative Daniels."

Daniels: "Mr. Governor, with your permission and the permission of the House I would like at this time to move that Mr. Michael Madigan be elected by acclamation as Speaker of the House. And I think..."

Speaker Edgar: "You've heard the Motion to make the election of Michael J. Madigan Speaker of the House unanimous. All those in favor say 'aye', opposed. The 'ayes' have it. Michael J. Madigan has been elected Speaker of the House of the 87th General Assembly and Lee A. Daniels has been elected Minority Leader of the House of the 87th General Assembly based off the Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Madigan."

Madigan: "Mr. Speaker, Mr. Secretary and Mr. Governor, just in the event there was a need for a record vote for Mr. Daniels, I'd like to be recorded in favor of Mr. Daniels."

Speaker Edgar: "So recorded. Congratulations both of you here. So let's have applause while we're organizing. You guys give me the script and you change it. Okay, let's regroup here. With consent of the House I will appoint nine Members to constitute an Honor Committee to escort the Speaker-Elect to the rostrum to take the constitutional oath. Is there consent? Consent being granted, I appoint the following to the Committee of Escort. Representative

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Giorgi, Representative Flowers, Representative Santiago, Representative Burke, Representative Ronan, Representative Deering, Representative Satterthwaite, Representative Piel and Representative McAuliffe. Will the Committee of Honor retire to the seat of Representative Michael J. Madigan to escort him to the rostrum. To administer the constitutional oath of the Speaker-Elect I again have the honor of presenting to the House the Honorable Alan J. Greiman. Joining Judge Greiman on the podium are Speaker-Elect Madigan's wife Shirley who will assist in the administering of the oath and the Madigan children, Lisa, Tiffany, Nicole and Andrew. Judge Greiman."

Judge Greiman: "I (and your name) do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives according to the best of my ability."

Speaker Madigan: "I would like to thank the Secretary of State and the future Governor of the state Jim Edgar for an outstanding performance today. We were slightly delayed. We want to thank him for permitting the delay. We want to thank him for the outstanding courtesies that he extended to all of us. So, Mr. Governor, thank you very much. The Committee of Escort shall please approach the podium to escort the Governor from the chamber. So if the Members could please be seated, I have a two hour oration that I want you to listen to very closely. First...and as the Governor leaves I would like to acknowledge and recognize the Governor's wife, Brenda Edgar who is in the rear gallery of the chamber. Our first lady of Illinois, Brenda Edgar. Before we begin I would ask all of us to offer a moment of silent prayer and reflection that President Bush

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and Secretary Baker will reach a peaceful reconciliation to the current dispute in the Persian Gulf and in particular to offer our support to those from Illinois who are serving in the armed services of our country in that region of the world. And if we could all just for a moment in our own way offer our support to those efforts. Next I would like to again acknowledge my family, my wife Shirley who is right behind me, the person who permits me to do all of this and to all of you spouses. You know of the difficulty of a political marriage and I'm very thankful that I've been able to do what I've done and I have to thank her and I love her very, very much. And my daughter Lisa, my daughter Tiffany, my daughter Nicole and my son Andrew who is taking a liking to the Speaker's podium. In addition, let me acknowledge the presence of our former Speaker of the House, Mr. Bill Redmond. Speaker Redmond. From the Congress of the United States we are very privileged to have with us the Congressman from the 5th congressional district of Illinois, Mr. William Lipinski. From the Cook County government a very, very good friend of mine, the former president of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County government, Mr. George Dunne. George Dunne. With George today is his very good friend, my very good friend a former Member of the House of Representatives Mr. Ira Colitz. Cook County has been blessed for years by having an outstanding person to serve as the president of the board and there shall be no change in that regard in the government of Cook County. The newly elected president of the board, he'll be an outstanding president of the board, Mr. Richard Phelan. The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County Aurelia Pucinski. One of the commissioners of the Board of Appeals, Mr. Joe Berrios. Former Member of the House. The Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Cook

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County Board, Mr. John Stroger. The...there are certain members of the Cook County Circuit Court who have joined us, Mr...Judge Frank Barbaro, Judge Al Green, Judge Anthony Montelione, Judge Dan White. We're pleased to have with us some of the members of the Chicago City Council, Alderman John Madrzyk, Alderman Bobby Rush, Alderman Pat Huels, Alderman Allen Streeter, and Alderman Ed Burke. Six days from today we shall begin a new era in Illinois politics and government because next Monday Jim Thompson leaves office as the Governor of Illinois and Jim Edgar assumes the Office of Governor of the State of Illinois. Jim Thompson has served as Governor for 14 years. During those 14 years I have served as the Speaker of the House for eight years. I served as the Majority Leader for four years. I served as the Minority Leader for two years and so you can see that Mr. Thompson and I got to know each other pretty well. We had our share of agreements we had our share of disagreements. But on balance I think that Jim Thompson can be very proud of his record as Governor of the State of Illinois. And I wish he, his wife Jayne and their daughter Samantha my best wishes and good luck for the future. This is what you've all been waiting for, the Speaker does not get what he wants. As I indicated earlier, in six days time Jim Edgar will become the Governor of Illinois. Jim Edgar will be well prepared to work with the Legislature. He served as a Member of the House, he worked as the legislative liaison for Governor Thompson. During his time as Secretary of State, that office maintained excellent relations with the Legislature and all the Members of the two chambers. So I think that he goes into the job in good position in good shape. I think it is regrettable that in all likelihood he will be unduly compared to Jim Thompson, so that whatever the Edgar

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record will be, at least for a time, there will always be comparisons to what his predecessor did in that office. And again unfortunately, at least at the beginning I do believe that he will be required to make some very difficult decisions because of the deteriorating condition of the Illinois economy. Decisions that in part will be shared by the Members of the Legislature. My pledge to Jim Edgar is to work cooperatively with the Edgar administration, but having said that I hasten to point out that the Illinois Constitution does provide for a separate and independent Legislative Body to protect against any possible excesses on the part of the Executive Department. This should not be construed as a declaration of war. I have not drawn a line in the sand. I have not set a date. But I think that it behooves all of us as Members of this institution to always recognize our constitutionally granted position in state government. As I mentioned, we have to recognize that the Illinois economy is not doing well and consequently budget making on our part and on the part of the Governor's Office within the next few months will become very difficult. We will have some very difficult decisions to make in terms of where and how and when we shall propose to spend the peoples money. I do believe that we should all resolve here and now that as we work through that process we shall never lose sight of our commitment that education, both higher education and elementary and secondary education, will receive the highest priority both from the Governor and the Legislature in terms of spending decisions. There are two areas of contemplated legislative activity that I would like to address. Number one, election reform. We've had discussions of election reform from the day that I entered the General Assembly 20 years ago. In recent times most of

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these discussions have focused on the questions of shortening the electoral campaigns and in addition limitations on special interest contributions. In the case of shorter campaigns we are generally considering proposals to change the Primary date. That has not happened in many years in Illinois. My own view is that by simply changing the Primary date does not guarantee that you would shorten the campaigns, because I fully expect that within days after Jim Edgar assumes the Office of Governor there will be citizens of our state floating trial balloons to determine if they ought to become a candidate against Mr. Edgar in four years time. So I'm not convinced that by act of law that we can shorten the campaign. In the area of limitations on special interest contributions I think we need look no further than the federal regulatory system put in place by the Congress of the United States. And as you look at that system you see a system which is close to or a disaster right now. So I don't know that we can do that much good in that area either. There is something that I think we can do, very simple, very fundamental and it concerns the participation of our citizens in the electoral process. Participation by Americans compared to other countries is abysmally low. For some reason less than 50 percent of Americans participate in our elections. My proposal is that beginning in 1994 Illinois voters both in the Primary and the General Election of 1994 should vote on Sunday rather than on Tuesday of the week. I think that Sunday is the one day of the week where most people will have the time simply to go to the polling place and cast their vote. It's not a day generally where they are required to go to work, required to travel to work and travel home. It's not a day when they have other considerations which might deter them from going to the

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polling place. And it is my hope that we can generate bipartisan support for what I consider to be a very simple, very fundamental change that in my view would greatly increase the participation of Illinoisans in the elections of 1994. The next area that I would like to address is the question of real estate taxes. This question was thoroughly debated during the last election for Governor and other state offices. It is my expectation that Governor Edgar will call a special Session of the General Assembly to consider the question of real estate taxes. In this area I think there are some points that must be made and they must be understood before we proceed to an intelligent consideration of this issue. Number one, in the beginning taxes were levied on real estate because the ownership of real estate was viewed as a sign of wealth. Number two, this is now a very complex issue with many variables and not a great deal of comprehension by the general public. Number three, because of all these variables there may be and probably are some inequities in the system. And lastly, where there are proposals for change in the current real estate tax system whether those proposals relate to classification, the multiplier or methods of assessment of land be it urban or farm, those proposals must be comprehensive. We cannot address this problem as it relates to one section of the state. Any suggested changes must be comprehensive and they must apply to every section of the state. And in that regard let me remind you that since 1980, 68 counties in our state have not experienced any increases in their assessed valuation. Since 1980, 68 counties have not experienced any increases in their assessed valuation and in most of these instances that has been caused by the operation of the farm land assessment law. In addition, let us not impair the ability

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of local governments in the urban sections of our state to provide the needed police and fire protection and social services because there have been excesses by local governments and especially local school districts in the more prosperous areas of the state. I fully expect a very full debate on this question and I plan to actively participate in the debate. In conclusion, let me thank you all again. In particular let me thank Representative Lee Daniels for his very gracious and generous offer of a Motion for acclamation. As I listened to those who were nominating Mr. Daniels the thought occurred to me that those people were making some excellent points. That he has served in the General Assembly for a very lengthy period of time. That he has been required to lead a group which for 8 years and apparently two more will be a rather small group within the House of Representatives. In that context he's done very well and there have been occasions where forces of the Legislature and the forces of the Governor's Office have been pretty well determined by Representative Lee Daniels and for that he should be congratulated. Let me thank all of you for the opportunity to serve again as your Speaker. Let me thank you for your demonstration of confidence in my ability to serve as the Speaker. My pledge to you is very simple. My pledge is to be fair within the constraints of partisanship. My pledge is to be honest and my pledge is to be ethical. And I wish to offer to all of you my most sincere congratulations upon your election and your induction and my best wishes for this term of the General Assembly. Thank you very much. At this time...at this time I'd like to recognize Mr. Daniels who'll address the Body. Mr. Daniels."

Daniels: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let me introduce to you the person that allows me to participate in this process,

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putting up with the fact that we are gone and spend approximately 110 days a year in Springfield, Illinois away from our homes tending to the people's business. So, with that I would like to publicly thank and acknowledge my love and attention and faithfulness to my excellent wife, Pam Daniels. My Mom is in the gallery. My Mom, Evelyn Daniels, the mother of eight children, one girl and seven boys. My Father who is the father of eight children, one girl and seven boys has gone to my office to rest. So, Dad, when your back in the office, hello back there. My children, five, are unable to be here for the following reasons. My daughter Lori, age twenty-six, is committed to her work. My daughter Rachel is a senior at Florida State University, the best football team in the United States of America and completing her senior year. My daughter Julia, age seventeen, a senior in high school and who will attend the University of Illinois next year to follow in her Mother's footsteps in spite of my admonitions to go to Iowa, is taking an examine. Given by a Democrat Instructor, I'm sure. My son Thomas, age fifteen, like his sister Julia is also taking an examine I'm sure given by a Democrat Instructor at York Community High School. And my daughter Christina, age eight, is tending to her friends and her social schedule which is numerous. She is available for an arranged marriage from anyone with a financial net worth over a million dollars and obviously a Republican. Although we can cut a deal on that one too. I'm honored to stand before you and honored to be permitted and to be elected as Minority Leader. I stand before you for the fifth time rising to address this Assembly to talk for a moment about the issues of the day. But before I address this I am mindful of the fact that shortly we will have a retiring Governor, a Governor that is retiring from

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office after fourteen years, fourteen of the sixteen years in which I've served in Illinois Government. There has been no person I believe in the history of this state that has cared more for Illinois citizens, has done more for Illinois citizens or has displayed more compassion, understanding and love of the Governor...of the governmental process than Jim Thompson, the Governor of the State of Illinois. To him I send my best wishes for continued success and only hope, Mr. Speaker, that he will allow us to have just a smidgen of the remainder of his law practice so that we can continue to support our families as he moves forward in that endeavor. To his wife Jayne and daughter Samantha, I thank them for their years of sacrifice as they have allowed Jim Thompson to be our Governor. To our new Governor, Jim Edgar, I offer my best wishes and full cooperation in moving his legislative programs through this Body and to make his mark on Illinois government as he places in context for the people of Illinois his vision, his belief and his conception and perception of what is best for our future. To Jim Edgar, I wish the best at his accomplishments and his desires. For you see I am an individual who is a true believer. I am a true believer in the legislative process that this Body at its best strives to provide to the people of this state. I'm a believer in the exchange of ideas. A believer in the value of the forum that this Body can provide. A believer in the leadership that I see from time to time in this chamber from different Members at different times from different Members on different issues, but leadership that tells me that the process can work, will work if allowed to work. Although I am proud of this Body at its best, I am often saddened when this Body operates at its worst. I am sorry, as I know many of you across Illinois are sorry,

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that this Body is too often not a forum for public issues and public debate. It is too often precisely the opposite, the place to bury the burning issues of the day, reform and tax relief. But as I look forward to this new General Assembly the challenges facing the people are greater than they have been in many years. We all know that these are not times of peace and not times of plenty and for that reason it is now more important than ever that this be a truly deliberative, cooperative and organized Body. That it be a forum that no worthwhile idea is stifled, that everything that is worth saying is worth hearing and will be heard for the benefit of the people of Illinois. It is a time when every Member of this Assembly be the best they can be, that every Member apply their efforts and creativity to the business of the people. Our issues of property tax reform and relief, reduction of state spending, keeping taxes low, education reform and funding of education reform, attention to the disabled and less advantaged to mention a few, need our aggressive and committed approach to dealing with the problems of today for the benefit of the people for tomorrow. We need education reform and new funding for the children of the State of Illinois in their educational endeavors. We need environmental reform and the protection of Illinois environment and the clean air that we enjoy today to improve that process. We need new programs and new laws for the developmentally disabled. We need property tax relief and reform now, not tomorrow. And we need to bring our spending as a state government under control and to turn our attention to those items of priority. These are only a few but, yes, as a Body, as a deliberative Body, as a cooperative Body we can accomplish that reform. So, I challenge each and every Member of this Assembly to live up

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to the expectations of the people and allow this Body, this institution to work. We will never cease to have different philosophies and different ideas but this is why we are here, to disagree, to reconcile our differences and to fashion laws and public policy. We all know that there is cynicism at times in this chamber. We all know that at times there is unfairness. There are all the ins and outs of policy and politics here as one would expect and I don't have to list them for those of you that live it, understand it. I do not have to point fingers or dredge up incidences, that is not constructive. I would instead like to turn your attention, our attention to something that is positive, something that may bode well for the future. There is also courage and responsibility and leadership here. There are courageous people willing to join Governor Edgar and his new administration in facing the problems of the future in a bipartisan manner as the Speaker referred to. There are responsible people willing to use their majority fairly and in the best interests of the people. And there are people with leadership ready to assure that all the people of Illinois are represented fairly as we address redistricting for the benefit of our state. And as we deal with these issues we have to choose between partisan politics or progress. We cannot have both. We have a responsibility to our Illinois to be partners in solutions. In the words of one of the great Illinois Presidents, Abraham Lincoln and I quote. 'Let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it.' We have much work to do. I'm honored to be given a role in that work and I pledge to you today, to you Mr. Speaker, my best efforts, my cooperation and yes, my congratulations for being part of Illinois' history. You have definitely

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impacted for the benefit many Illinois citizens. At times we have disagreed. At times we have disagreed vehemently, have argued on the House Floor, have argued in private and have put forth our viewpoint, but never at any time I have ever questioned your dedication to public service and to the benefit of the people of Illinois. Now, I will disagree with you again, I'm sure, and I will stand on this House Floor and accuse you of a myriad of terrible rotten things that you have done to us again and one would expect that. And you will look at me and say, 'Why are you doing this?' But that is the governmental process that we have served together now for sixteen years. I have been blessed and privileged to work with you and the other leaders of this state. I pledge to you my cooperation, my best efforts and yes, the honor to you of expressing to you my view of government. Together we will move forward. I thank you for the opportunity and I thank you all for the privilege of working for you. Thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "Thank you, Mr. Daniels. The next order of business is the adoption of temporary rules. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi, is recognized to offer a Resolution."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the immediate consideration of House Resolution 1. And I offer this Resolution so we can adopt temporary rules for the 87th General Assembly."

Speaker Madigan: "The Resolution is on the Members desks. And Mr. Giorgi, do you wish to offer a Motion?"

Giorgi: "I move that the Resolution be adopted."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman has moved the immediate consideration of the Resolution for the adoption of temporary rules. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed by saying 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is

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adopted. The next order of business is the election of the Chief Clerk. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the provisions of House Rule 1 requiring separate elections of the Clerk and Doorkeeper and offer in lieu of separate elections a Resolution for the election of Mr. John F. O'Brien as Chief Clerk, Anthony Leone as Assistant Clerk, Emery Koehler as Doorkeeper and Jeff Clark as First Assistant Doorkeeper. And the Motions and Resolutions are on the Members and on the Clerk's desks."

Speaker Madigan: "On the Gentleman's Motion to suspend the rule, is there any discussion? Is there leave to use the Attendance Roll Call on the suspension of the rule? Hearing no objection the rule is suspended and the Attendance Roll Call will be journalized. Resolutions, Mr. Provisional Clerk. Read the Resolution."

Clerk Leone: "House Resolution #2.

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the following Officers are hereby elected for the term of the Eighty-Seventh General Assembly:

John F. O'Brien as Chief Clerk of the House
Anthony J. Leone, Jr. as Assistant Clerk of the House
Emery Koehler as Doorkeeper of the House
Jeff Clark as First Assistant Doorkeeper of the House"

Speaker Madigan: "On the Resolution the Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the adoption of Resolution #2."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman moves the adoption of House Resolution #2. All those in favor signify by saying 'aye', all those opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the

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Chair the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Pursuant to House Resolution #2, the Chair declares Mr. John F. O'Brien is elected as the Chief Clerk of the House for the 87th General Assembly. Mr. Anthony J. Leone, Jr. is declared elected as the Assistant Clerk of the House for the 87th General Assembly. Mr. Emery Koehler is declared elected as the Doorkeeper of the House for the 87th General Assembly. Mr. Jeff Clark is declared elected as the First Assistant Doorkeeper of the House for the 87th General Assembly. Do these gentlemen accept these offices to which they have been elected? And they're all nodding agreement. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi, is recognized to offer a Resolution."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the immediate adoption of House Resolution #3 to direct the Clerk to inform the Senate the House is organized."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman has moved the adoption of House Resolution #3. This is the traditional notification to the other chamber that this Body is prepared to do the people's business. All in favor signify by saying 'aye', all opposed say 'nay'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi, is recognized to offer a Resolution."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I move the immediate adoption of House Resolution 4 for the appointment of a committee to attend the Governor and to inform him that we are organized and await any communication from him."

Speaker Madigan: "The Gentleman has moved the suspension of the rule in the adoption of the Resolution. This is another traditional ceremonial procedure. Without objection we can take both Motions on one vote. All in favor signify...all in favor signify by saying 'aye', those opposed 'nay'. In

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the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. Pursuant to House Resolution #4, I appoint the following committee to wait upon the Governor. Representative Zeke Giorgi, Representative Mary Flowers, Representative Miguel Santiago, Representative Dan Burke, Representative Al Ronan, Representative Terry Deering, Representative Helen Satterthwaite, Representative Bob Piel, Representative Roger McAuliffe. Will the Members please stand for the benediction. The benediction will be offered by Father...Father, Father if you could just wait for one minute. Stay right there. Mr. Clerk, is there a message from the Senate?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Message from the Senate by Ms. Hawker, Secretary. 'Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, to wit; Senate Joint Resolution #4, resolved by the Senate of the 87th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that the Senate inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is now organized by the election of a President, Secretary and other permanent officers, is now ready to proceed with the business of the Session, adopted by the Senate January 9, 1991. Linda Hawker, Secretary.'"

Speaker Madigan: "And now for the benediction. Father Donald Rowe, President of the St. Ignatius College Prep in Chicago."

Father Rowe: "Lord God of us all we ask Your blessings on all assembled here today; Legislators, their families, staffs and honored guests. We pray You're conscious of those here in Illinois who are in the service of our country who are in the gulf area. We ask Your care and protection for them, Your concern and consolation for their families and for their safe return to us. These yellow ribbons around

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the room will remind us today of them. We ask Your graces on our Legislators here today that they may respond to the challenge of governance with compassion and a deep-rooted sense of justice. We ask Your blessings on the Speaker who begins a historic fifth consecutive term in office. May his leadership help us to understand our personal resources and encourage us to use them to serve those who have elected this Legislature. Lord God, we stand before You in our sometimes timidity and weakness, unsure of our futures, holding on to our past. Give us the courage to let go of what has been, so to find Your presence and grace in what can be. We ask Your grace and blessings on all here assembled and the people of Illinois. Amen."

Speaker Madigan: "The Chair recognizes Mr. McPike."

McPike: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I now move the House stand adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 10:00 a.m., allowing perfunctory time for the introduction and First Reading of Bills."

Speaker Madigan: "The Motion is that the House shall stand adjourned until Thursday, January 10, 1991 at 10:00 a.m. All those in favor say 'aye', all those opposed say 'no'. In the opinion of the Chair the 'ayes' have it, the Motion is adopted. The House stands in Perfunctory Session and will convene tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. Thank you very much, especially Representative McNamara."

Clerk Leone: "Could Representative Cronin, Cullerton, Farley...correction, Cronin, Cullerton, Giorgi, McPike, Noland and Weller please bring their oaths of office to the well. Yes. Could I get the oaths of office for those Representatives so Justice Greiman can sign them and make them official. Could Representative Cullerton, Giorgi and McPike return their oaths of office."

Clerk O'Brien: "Messages from the Senate. A message from the

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Senate by Ms. Hawker, Secretary. 'Mr. Speaker, I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, the adoption of which I am instructed to ask concurrence of the House of Representatives, to wit; Senate Joint Resolution #1, adopted by the Senate January 9, 1991. Linda Hawker, Secretary.' Also Senate Joint Resolution #3. Introduction - First Reading of Bills. House Bill 1, Preston and Lang, a Bill for An Act relating to corporal punishment. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 2, Novak, a Bill for An Act to amend certain Acts in relation to appointments in state government. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 3, Cullerton, a Bill for An Act to amend the Wrongs to Children Act and the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 4, Brunsvold, a Bill for An Act in relation to duties of certain contractors. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 5, Trotter, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 6, Kulas, a Bill for An Act to amend certain Acts in relation to municipal waste. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 7, Klemm, a Bill for An Act to amend the Security Deposit Interest Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 8, Anthony Young, a Bill for An Act to amend the Unified Code of Corrections. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 9, Cowlshaw, a Bill for An Act to amend the Airport Authorities Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 10, Stern, a Bill for An Act to amend the Environmental Protection Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 11, Stern, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois Corneal Transplant Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 12, Stern, a Bill for An Act relating to appointments to boards, commissions, committees and councils. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 13,

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government and school districts from purchasing goods and services from any person or business entity that does business with the Republic of South Africa. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 31, Shaw, a Bill for An Act concerning public college and university scholarships. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 32, Shaw, a Bill for An Act to amend the Interest Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 33, Homer, a Bill for An Act to provide for open primary elections. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 34, Homer, a Bill for An Act to amend the Election Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 35, Homer, a Bill for An Act to change the date of the general primary election. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 36, Stern, a Bill for An Act concerning the determination of death. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 37, Stern, a Bill for An Act to change the date of the general primary election. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 38, Kirkland, a Bill for An Act to amend the Chicago Sanitary District Enlargement Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 39, Lang, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois Insurance Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 40, Lang, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois Vehicle Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 41, Lang, a Bill for An Act in relation to consumers. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 42, Preston, a Bill for An Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 43, Preston, a Bill for An Act to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 44, Preston, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois Domestic Violence Act. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 45, Santiago, a Bill for An Act to amend the Criminal Code. First Reading of the Bill. House Bill 46, Santiago, a Bill for An Act to amend the Illinois

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