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Speaker Madigan: "The House shall come to order. The Members shall be in their chairs. We ask everyone to turn off their cell phones and the computers. We shall be led in prayer today by Lee Crawford, the Assistant Pastor of the Victory Temple Church in Springfield. Our guests in gallery are asked to rise for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance."

Pastor Crawford: "Let us pray. Most sovereign and most gracious God, it is this day that we come so humbly before You, thanking You for all things, remembering that it has not been by our own goodness or our own strengths but rather it has been by Your glorious grace that we have not been consumed. Father, simply because Your compassion has never failed us. It is because You've been so merciful. Father, I pray this day that You would give us a mind, that You would give us a heart, that in these times that we don't fail You, but rather that we offer up to You all that You are desiring of us and requiring of us. This we ask in Your Son's name. Amen."

Speaker Madigan: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Lang."

Lang - 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 Madigan: "Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Currie."

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Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record show that Representative Slone is excused today."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that all Republicans are present today."

Speaker Madigan: "Representative Currie. Representative Currie. The Clerk shall take the record. There being 116 Members responding to the Attendance Roll Call, there is a quorum present. Mr. Bill Mitchell."

Mitchell, B.: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A point of personal privilege."

Speaker Madigan: "State your point."

Mitchell, B.: "Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, over the weekend... over the weekend we had some very good news and in this morning's papers all across the State of Illinois we had good news in that seven POW's were rescued. Unfortunately, gentleman from my home county in Macon, we got bad news on Friday. Private Jonathan Gifford, 30 years old, a Marine who's been missing for several weeks, was declared dead. Private Gifford leaves a 4-year-old daughter, Lexi. If I could have a moment of silence for Private Gifford of Macon County. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. McCarthy."

McCarthy: "Yes."

Speaker Madigan: "Were you seeking recognition?"

McCarthy: "I was."

Speaker Madigan: "Do you know why?"

McCarthy: "I think so. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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Speaker Madigan: "That's good progress."

McCarthy: "I actually have two announcements. First of all, we have our breakfast at the Sangamo tomorrow, all the Members of the Higher Ed Committee and the Higher Ed Appropriation Committee, any other Member of the House who would be interested I'm sure you're welcome. We're gonna be on the second floor of the Sangamo and we have three experts on Higher Ed and Higher Ed funding who are gonna kinda help us understand the Governor's budget proposals a little bit better. So, I certainly would encourage everyone to be there. It's at 8:00 and it'll last 'til about 10. If you can come and spend any time, I'm sure it'll be worthwhile. The other announcement was, last week we're always happy to see accomplishments by Members of the House and last week our good friend, Representative Dan Reitz and his wife Joyce, became grandparents for the first time. So, Dan is no longer Lieutenant Dan, he's now Grandpa Dan."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Stephens."

Stephens: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Referring to the gentleman from Macon and the losses that we have had in this Persian Gulf War, it occurs to me that all too often we've talked about Illinois residents that have paid the ultimate sacrifice or made the ultimate sacrifice. And it looks to me like the numbers will show that we... we do indeed have a... an inordinate number of our young men and women who are not only involved, but paying the ultimate sacrifice. And it reminds me in many ways of the Civil War, because ultimately, in the Civil War it was right versus evil and

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today it's right versus evil. And as in the Civil War, where Illinois paid the ulti... the men and women of Illinois to the tune of 200 thousand men and women died in the Civil War to make right what most of them knew was wrong. Today, we're trying to make right with what most of us see is wrong. And it's certainly appropriate that we stop the wheels of government for just a moment to recognize those who've gone to a better place. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Clerk, what is the status of House... of Senate Bill 616? 616."

Clerk Rossi: "House (sic-Senate) Bill 616, a Bill for an Act concerning tort immunities. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of Senate Bill 1375? 1375. 1-3-7-5."

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1375, a Bill for an Act concerning higher education. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Lang, you are the Sponsor of House (sic-Senate) Bill 1409. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of 1409?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1409, a Bill for an Act concerning municipalities. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Mathias, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1407. 1407. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1407, a Bill for an Act in relation to courts. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Mathias, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1347. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1347, a Bill for an Act concerning estate administration. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Mathias, Senate Bill 1205. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1205, a Bill for an Act concerning municipalities. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Delgado, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1176. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1176, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

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Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Acevedo, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1175. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1175, a Bill for an Act concerning vehicles. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Washington. Mr. Washington, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1168. Did you wish to move the Bill to Third Reading? 1168 is concerned with park districts. Third Rea... Okay. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1168, a Bill for an Act in relation to park districts. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Howard, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1156. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1156, a Bill for an Act in relation to health. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Mathias, 1133. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Speaker Madigan: "Senate Bill 1133, a Bill for an Act concerning State Government. Second Reading of this Senate

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Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Moffitt, 1117. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1117, a Bill for an Act in relation to physician assistants and advance practice nurses. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Phelps, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1793. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1793, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Currie, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1765. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1765, a Bill for an Act to create a commission to study tax expenditures in Illinois. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Flider. Mr. Flider, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1578. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1578, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No

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Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Lang, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 1493. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1493, a Bill for an Act in relation to alcohol. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Rose, 1468. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1468, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Lindner. Lindner, you are the Sponsor of 1458. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1458, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. Amendment #1 was adopted in committee. No Motions have been filed. No Floor Amendments approved for consideration."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Beaubien on 1498. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

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Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 1498, a Bill for an Act concerning taxes. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Scully. Mr. Scully, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 243. Do you wish to move the Bill? Gentleman indicates he does not wish to move the Bill. Mr. Washington. Mr. Washington, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 230, it's concerned with schools. Do you wish to move the Bill? 230. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 230, a Bill for an Act regarding schools. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Soto, did you wish to move 78? Mr. Holbrook, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 211. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 211, a Bill for an Act in relation to criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Reitz, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 195. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 195, a Bill for an Act in relation to public employee benefits. Second Reading of this Senate

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Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Ryg, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 171. Wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 171, a Bill for an Act in relation to local government. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Representative Pihos. Pihos on 130. Senate Bill 130. The Lady indicates she does not wish to move the Bill. Representative O'Brien, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 108. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 108, a Bill for an Act concerning corrections. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Delgado. Mr. Delgado, you are the Sponsor of Senate Bill 90. Do you wish to move the Bill? Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 90, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Delgado, 66. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

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Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 66, a Bill for an Act concerning schools. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Delgado, 64. Senate 64. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 64, a Bill for an Act in relation to public aid. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Delgado, 43. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 43, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Mr. Mathias, 41. Mr. Clerk, what is the status of the Bill?"

Clerk Rossi: "Senate Bill 41, a Bill for an Act in relation to estates. Second Reading of this Senate Bill. No Committee Amendments. No Floor Amendments. No Motions filed."

Speaker Madigan: "Third Reading. Chair recognizes Mr. Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman for a Motion."

Hoffman: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask that we waive the posting requirements for the Transportation Committee concerning House Joint Resolution 30 and House Resolution 192. We have cleared it with the Republican Leader, Mr. Black."

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Speaker Madigan: "You've all heard the Gentleman's Motion to suspend the posting requirements. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The Motion is adopted and the posting requirements are suspended, relative to HR 192 and also HJR 30. If the Members will please give their attention to the Clerk for the purpose of an announcement concerning a change in schedule for the committees. Please give your attention to the Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "The following committees will meet at 4:30. The Appropriations Elementary & Secondary Education Committee in Room 118, the Consumer Protection Committee in Room D-1, the Public Utilities Committee in Room C-1, and the Transportation & Motor Vehicles Committee in Room 114."

Speaker Madigan: "Chair recognizes Representative Wyvetter Younger for the purpose of an announcement."

Younger: "Thank you... thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to announce that there'll be a Democratic Caucus today at 2:30 in 114."

Speaker Madigan: "The Lady has announced a Democratic Caucus at 2:30 in Room 114. Mr. Fritchey."

Fritchey: "Thank you, Speaker. Purpose of an announcement."

Speaker Madigan: "State your point."

Fritchey: "We're gonna reschedule the Judiciary Committee meeting tomorrow morning from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. The room will stay the same but the time will be 9 a.m. Thank you."

Speaker Madigan: "Chair is prepared to adjourn. There shall be a Democratic Caucus immediately in Room 114 and there'll be

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committees later in the day. Representative Currie moves that the House stand adjourned until 12 noon tomorrow providing perfunctory time for the Clerk. Those in favor say 'yes'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. The House does stand adjourned until 12 noon tomorrow providing perfunctory time for the Clerk."

Clerk Rossi: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Currie, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules, to which the following measure/s was/were referred, action taken on Monday, April 14, 2003, reported the same back with the following recommendation/s: 'to the floor for consideration' House Resolution 225. Introduction and First Reading of Senate Bills. Senate Bill 368, offered by Representative Moffitt, a Bill for an Act with regard to schools. Senate Bill 977, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act regarding vehicles. Senate Bill 1116, offered by Representative Jones, a Bill for an Act concerning credit cards. Senate Bill 1535, offered by Representative Myers, a Bill for an Act concerning technology enterprise zones. Senate Bill 1589, offered by Representative Jones, a Bill for an Act concerning public health. Senate Bill 1592, offered by Representative Currie, a Bill for an Act concerning taxes. Senate Bill 1754, offered by Representative Smith, a Bill for an Act creating the Western Illinois Economic Development Authority. First Reading of these Senate Bills. Introduction of Resolutions. House Resolution 195, offered by Representative Saviano. House Resolution 196,

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offered by Representative Cross. House Resolution 206, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia. House Joint Resolution 32, offered by Representative Poe, are assigned to the Rules Committee. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session now stands adjourned."