

1st SPECIAL SESSION
of the 78th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
October 15, 1973

1. PRESIDENT:

2. If the Senate will just...stand at ease for just
3. a moment, we will convene. We are ready. We needed to
4. change the tape. The 1st Special Session of the 78th
5. General Assembly will come to order. The 1st Special
6. Session is convened. Senator Graham. Yes. You are
7. prepared with some motions momentarily here.

8. SENATOR GRAHAM:

9. Yes, I am.

10. PRESIDENT:

11. The first order of business, of course, is the
12. Proclamation, on the Secretary's desk. The Secretary
13. will proceed with the Proclamation.

14. SECRETARY:

15. (Secretary reads Proclamation of Special Session)

16. PRESIDENT:

17. Senator Graham.

18. SENATOR GRAHAM:

19. We have a series of Resolutions that need to be
20. adopted, at this point in time. Secretary.

21. SECRETARY:

22. Senate Resolution No. 1 offered by Senator Graham.

23. (Secretary reads Senate Resolution No. 1)

24. PRESIDENT:

25. Is there further discussion? Senator Graham moves
26. the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 1 of the 1st
27. Special Session. All in favor signify by saying aye.
28. Contrary no. The motion carries. Senate Resolution No. 1
29. is adopted. Senator Graham.

30. SECRETARY:

31. Senate Resolution No. 2.

32. (Secretary reads Senate Resolution No. 2)

33. PRESIDENT:

1. Senator Graham. Senator Graham moves the adoption
2. of Senate Resolution No. 2. This is the appointment of
3. the same committees for the Special Session as served in
4. the Regular Session. Is there further discussion? Question
5. is shall Senate Resolution No. 2 be adopted. All in favor
6. signify by saying aye. Contrary no. The motion carries,
7. and Resolution No. 2 of the 1st Special Session is adopted.
8. Senator Graham.

9. SECRETARY:

10. Senate Resolution No. 3.

11. (Secretary reads Senate Resolution No. 3)

12. PRESIDENT:

13. Is there further discussion? Senator Graham moves the
14. adoption of Senate Resolution No. 3. Is there further dis-
15. cussion? All in...the question is shall the Resolution be
16. adopted. All in favor signify by saying aye. Contrary no.
17. The motion carries. Senate Resolution No. 3 is adopted.

18. SECRETARY:

19. Senate Resolution No. 4.

20. (Secretary reads Senate Resolution No. 4)

21. PRESIDENT:

22. Is there discussion? Senator Graham moves the
23. adoption of Resolution No. 4. All in favor signify by
24. saying aye. Contrary no. The motion carries, and
25. Senate Resolution No. 4 is adopted.

26. SECRETARY:

27. Senate Resolution No. 5.

28. (Secretary reads Senate Resolution No. 5)

29. PRESIDENT:

30. Is there discussion? Senator Graham moves the adoption
31. of Senate Resolution No. 5. The question is shall Resolution
32. No. 5 be adopted. All in favor signify by saying aye. Contrary
33. no. The motion carries. Senate Resolution No. 5 is adopted.

1. Yes, Senator Mohr.

2. SENATOR HOWARD MOHR:

3. Yes, Mr. President, Members of the Senate, I'd like
4. to appoint the following Members: Senators Soper, Scholl,
5. Shapiro, Vadalabene and Welsh...

6. PRESIDENT:

7. Pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 4...

8. SENATOR HOWARD MOHR:

9. ...Senate Resolution No. 4.

10. PRESIDENT:

11. Yes. Those Members...Mr. Secretary, would you read
12. those names again so that the Members might be aware of
13. them?

14. SECRETARY:

15. Senators Soper, Scholl, Shapiro, Vadalabene and Welsh.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. Senator Knuppel.

18. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

19. Mr. President, on a matter of personal privilege to
20. be followed by a motion. I see no overwhelming need for
21. this Special Session. I've been a party to some special
22. Sessions here in the last...term of the General Assembly,
23. and they've been highly unproductive. The purposes of the
24. call are not of such a nature that they cannot be taken
25. care of in the spring Session. There's no overriding need
26. for a Special Session on ethics and the matter of the
27. Board of General Elections can be taken care of on the
28. veto message by either amendment or otherwise we can...
29. can take care of that in the regular Session. My people
30. are far more concerned about roads. They're far more
31. concerned about funding of teachers' pensions. I haven't
32. received one letter in four years here in the General
33. Assembly from the constituents of my district demanding

1. legislation that requires either a disclosure of campaign
2. contributions or personal wealth or income. I'm telling
3. you here and now that it's costing the people of the State
4. of Illinois approximately \$30,000 per week for us to
5. meet here for just mileage and per diem the \$32.00 per
6. day. A committee could be appointed in Regular Session
7. to study the matter as contained in the Governor's
8. Message and that could then be brought before the 77th
9. General, Regular Session in the Spring. I submit to you,
10. that even if we passed laws in view of what happened last
11. week, ethic legislation probably would be ineffective
12. because the courts would say \$10, two years probation
13. and you are excused. Now I can see the...the only purpose
14. I can really see for this legislation in a Special Session
15. is maybe to...attract attention to some of the ongoing
16. investigations or studies that are being made at both
17. the State and Federal level with respect to the Executive,
18. and not the legislative branch of government. Therefore,
19. because my people want us to spend our time on roads,
20. funding of teachers' pensions and other matters such as
21. the 225 veto messages here, I'm going to move to adjourn
22. this Session, this Special Session, sine die. I did this
23. same thing with Governor Ogilvie. I don't see the difference
24. between a Democratic and a Republican Senator. I've been
25. labeled a maverick, but I can't see dragging this Session
26. on. Now, I say to you members of the General Assembly, when
27. we leave here in June you say never again. We're not going
28. to punish ourselves, you're not going to be subjected to
29. this. And the Governor says he wants a strong Legislature.
30. Now, I submit to you votes for my motion right now will
31. establish unequivocally that the Legislature is an independent
32. branch of government, and that it...that it is a strong,
33. and an equal branch of government, and that we don't need

1. to be called here as puppets on a string, at any time to
2. deal with matters that have been before this Body since
3. the Legislative Ethics Act was first adopted in 1967. We've
4. been addressing ourselves to this problem regularly in
5. regular sessions. So I move this Session adjourn sine die.

6. PRESIDENT:

7. Senator Knuppel...I'm sure you're aware that there
8. are some who do wish to respond to this question and I
9. think it is an appropriate matter to be before us, and
10. I did hear some very sound observations from you. But
11. would you withhold the motion. It is not debatable, techni-
12. cally under the rules. Senator Partee does wish to be
13. recognized. Senator Knuppel.

14. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

15. I'll withhold the motion.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. Fine. Thank you. Senator Partee.

18. SENATOR PARTEE:

19. Well, Mr. President, I appreciate the courtesy of
20. the Senator. I'm not going to make any long speech or
21. tirade about it. The Gentleman is correct that he did
22. make such a motion when Senator...when Governor Ogilvie
23. was Governor. And I think the results of that motion or
24. what I hope the results of this one will be and that
25. is that it become a lost motion. I know that he is
26. well motivated. I know that he is concerned about the
27. matters to which he addressed himself and alluded to.
28. I know that he is concerned about roads and the other
29. things that he talked about. I think on the other hand
30. that there are other rather significant matters involved
31. in the special call that do relate to the overall welfare
32. and benefit of the people of this State, and on that basis
33. I am going to make a motion that his motion lay on the Table.

1. PRESIDENT:

2. Is there further discussion? Senator...Knuppel then
3. moves that the 1st Special Session of the 78th General
4. Assembly adjourn sine die. Senator Partee has moved to
5. Table that motion. All in favor of the motion to Table,
6. signify by saying aye. Those opposed no. Division. All
7. those in favor of the motion to Table please stand. Opposed
8. to the motion to Table please stand. Senators Clarke and
9. Ozinga were counted before, correct? All right. Yes.
10. The motion to Table prevails. Senator Knuppel.

11. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

12. ...personal privilege.

13. PRESIDENT:

14. Senator-Knuppel.

15. SENATOR KNUPPEL:

16. I'm thankful, at least last year there was only
17. one vote. I think maybe we're beginning to see the
18. fallacies of these Special Sessions and I think maybe
19. when it's all over you'll agree with me.

20. PRESIDENT:

21. Senator Graham.

22. SENATOR GRAHAM:

23. Mr. President, I move you know that the Special
24. Session stand in recess until 3:45...

25. PRESIDENT:

26. Would you withhold your motion just a moment?

27. SENATOR GRAHAM:

28. I'll withhold my motion.

29. PRESIDENT:

30. A couple other Senators had sought recognition.
31. If you'll just withhold for a second. Senator Donnewald.

32. SENATOR DONNEWALD:

33. Yes, Mr. President. There will be a Democratic caucus

1. immediately upon adjournment, upstairs on the 6th floor.

2. PRESIDENT:

3. Yes. All right. Senator Saperstein.

4. SENATOR SAPERSTEIN:

5. Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate,
6. with a special 'hello' to Betty Keegan... I know that many
7. of you have been wondering about these beautiful roses on
8. my desk. As I pass some of you, you said is it a birthday?
9. And I said no, because I stopped having birthdays. Is
10. it...is it another kind of celebration? I said yes, and
11. I would explain it a little later, as I am trying to do
12. now. These roses belong to all of you. It is too bad
13. there are not...enough for each one of the Ladies and
14. Gentlemen to wear in their lapel, however, these roses are
15. on my desk because there was a letter accompanying the
16. roses and it is from the State-wide Council of Senior
17. Citizens Organizations of the State of Illinois and they
18. want me to express to you their deep gratitude for your
19. support in creating the new Department of Age and Aging.
20. I hope I have been adequate in thanking you, and express-
21. ing their thanks to each and every one of you because the
22. bill was adopted unanimously. And so we can go...we can
23. be comforted by the thought that now we can focus all our
24. attentions on the needs of a great sector of our popula-
25. tion. Thank you very much.

26. PRESIDENT:

27. Thank you, Senator. Senator Smith.

28. SENATOR SMITH:

29. Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate,
30. far be it from me to impose myself upon the membership of
31. this Body, nor take your time needlessly or foolishly. On
32. the night of August the 25th, certain apparently ill-bred,
33. diseased-brained, individuals whom I would say were a

1. disgrace to the father that sired them, and to the mother
2. that bore them, shot and killed one of the finest...I
3. can't go no further. I...I'm trying to get to the point
4. where I can thank the membership, but I'm full. I'm no
5. longer the Fred Smith that you once knew. I'll finish...Chew.
6. I was about to say shot and killed...one of the finest
7. young men that ever walked the streets of the City of
8. Chicago, my son, Frank Smith - young, vibrant, full of
9. ambition. My son was shot as he left the home of a young
10. lady to whom he had recently become engaged. I ask for
11. the right to speak on a point of personal privilege, merely
12. for the purpose, solely for the purpose of thanking you
13. fine Ladies and Men for the words of comfort directed by
14. you to my wife and to me during the darkest moments...of
15. my long life. I took the privilege as best I could of
16. trying to write down the names. If I miss anyone, perhaps
17. I shouldn't call any name. I don't know. Senator Davidson
18. who sits facing me with his hand to his forehead, he
19. came to Chicago, he was present at the funeral home. I
20. can't see so well, I hear less well. Senator Knuepfer
21. sent a contribution to the organization that my wife
22. represents so well, the Foreign Mission Board. Senator
23. Mitchler, Senator Shapiro, Senator Bell, Senator Latherow,
24. Senator Merritt, and you Mr. President, Senator Berning,
25. Senator McBroom, this Gentleman, I happen to have been in
26. his city on Wednesday of last week attempting to deliver
27. an address to the...a group of men and ladies, and I
28. visited his lovely offices, Senator Hudson Sours of Peoria.
29. He sent not only condolences but a news clipping bearing
30. the likeness of my late son. I want to thank you Senator
31. Mohr, Senator Clarke and Senator Sours, who not only came
32. to the wake but you also came to my home and we are
33. grateful to you for the interest manifested in that

1. respect. I want to thank my own leader, Cecil Partee
2. who went completely out of his way, furnished fruits, and
3. so forth for the home. They were, of course, avidly and
4. quickly devoured, Senator by the hundreds who were in and
5. out our home. Senator Donnewald, Senator Rock, Senator
6. Hynes, Senator Dougherty, you Senator Netsch, Newhouse
7. almost lived at our home during our moments of extreme
8. sadness. The same is true of Charlie Chew. Charlie
9. may not be present here on the Floor of the Senate at
10. times when we need him, but he was certainly at my
11. house constantly during the dark days. Senator Daley,
12. Senator Swinarski, can hardly read my own writing,
13. Senator Savickas, Senator McCarthy, you Senator Keegan,
14. Senator, if I say this right, I hope, Knuppel. Did
15. I say it right? Senator Vadalabene. Senator Hall, Senator
16. Bruce. I hope I didn't miss, yes, Senator Kosinski.
17. I have your name here somewhere. Yes, here it is. You
18. were at the funeral home. Senator Wooten was present.
19. Senator Saperstein not only was present but she sat with
20. the members of the family. I can't ever forget you Senator
21. Palmer, you caused a tree to be planted.--You didn't know
22. I knew that did you?--Over in Palestine. And the pages,
23. the secretarial workers and all. My wife and I are
24. grateful to you. We have been struck a blow. I'll never
25. get over it. I'll never be the Fred Smith you once knew,
26. I'll never be. But I do want to say for my wife and for
27. myself that it is our most...that the infinite Giver of
28. Life may help and prosper you one and all and give you
29. the desires of your hearts and the fruits of your labors.
30. I thank you.

31. PRESIDENT:

32. Senator Smith...Senator Smith your colleagues
33. acknowledge and stand ready to aid you in whatever way

1. we can.

2. SENATOR SMITH:

3. Very kind of you. Thank you.

4. PRESIDENT:

5. Senator Weaver.

6. SENATOR WEAVER:

7. Mr. President, there will be a Republican caucus
8. immediately after adjournment in the President's office.

9. PRESIDENT:

10. Is there further business to come before the Senate?

11. Senator Graham.

12. SENATOR GRAHAM:

13. So that the second floor will have adequate time to
14. present Senator Knuppel with flowers, I move that we
15. stand in recess until 3:45 today.

16. PRESIDENT:

17. The Senate stands in recess until 3:45 at which time
18. we will organize and proceed to the temporary House Chambers
19. for the Joint Session at 4:00 p.m. So if you would be here
20. timely, we stand in recess until 3:45.

21. (RECESS)

22. (AFTER RECESS)

23. PRESIDENT:

24. The Senate will please come to order. The Senate will
25. come to order. We have a House Joint Resolution for the
26. 1st Special Session. The Secretary will read that Resolution.

27. SECRETARY:

28. (Secretary reads Joint Resolution)

29. PRESIDENT:

30. You have heard the House Joint Resolution. Senator
31. Mohr moves that the Senate adopt House Joint Resolution No. 1
32. of the 1st Special Session of the 78th General Assembly.

33. Is there discussion? The question is shall the Resolution

1. be adopted. All in favor signify by saying aye. Contrary
2. no. The motion carries and the Resolution is adopted.
3. Pursuant to House Joint Resolution No. 1, of the 1st
4. Special Session of the 78th General Assembly, the Senate
5. will now stand in recess and proceed to the Joint Session
6. of the two Houses. Upon conclusion of the Joint Session
7. we will return to the Senate Chambers for announcements and
8. any further business to come before the Senate. The Senate
9. stands in recess for the Joint Session. If you will proceed
10. to the Centennial Building from the well of the Senate here,
11. that will be fine. Senator Partee could you come to the
12. podium please?

13. (RECESS)

14. (AFTER RECESS)

15. PRESIDENT:

16. The Senate will come to order. Senator Graham.

17. SENATOR GRAHAM:

18. Mr. President if there is nothing further to be
19. brought before the Senate I now move you that the 1st
20. Special Session of this Session of the Senate adjourn
21. until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 16th. That's tomorrow.

22. PRESIDENT:

23. Is there any further business to come before the
24. Special Session? Senator Graham moves that the Special
25. Session adjourn until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 16th.
26. All in favor signify by saying aye. Contrary no. The
27. motion carries. Senate will stand adjourned in the
28. Special Session until 10:30 tomorrow morning.