

79th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REGULAR SESSION

JANUARY 12, 1977

*Remember
regarding Howard Mohr
12-12-77*

1. PRESIDENT:

2. The hour of ten having arrived, the Senate will come
3. to order. The prayer...will our guests in the gallery please
4. stand as we will have prayer by Reverend Robert T. McDill,
5. First Presbyterian Church, Taylorville, Illinois.

6. REVEREND MCDILL:

7. Let us pray. From the sixty-fifth Psalm, we read, Thou
8. crownest the year with Thy bounty. Almighty God, at the close
9. of this 79th Session of this Senate, we praise Your holy name
10. for all who made it possible to enact legislation that was
11. meaningful and helpful to the people of the State of Illinois,
12. for all who gave of themselves through tireless hours of
13. service and concern, and especially would we remember this
14. morning Senator Howard Mohr. We pray, O, God, for his
15. family, that You would be with them and strengthen them
16. in this time of bereavement. God, our Heavenly Father,
17. we thank You for the years of service that he gave
18. to this Senate and we truly praise Your holy name for all
19. who have served and all who have given of themselves,
20. in this seventy-ninth Session year, in Christ's name. Amen.

21. PRESIDENT:

22. Could we continue to stand for a moment in silence
23. and meditation and reverence for our departed colleague.
24. Howard Mohr. Reading of the Journal. Senator Wooten.

25. SENATOR WOOTEN:

26. Mr. President, I move that reading and approval of the
27. Journals of Friday, January 7th, 1977, Monday, January
28. 10th, 1977, and Tuesday, January 11th, 1977 be postponed
29. pending arrival of the printed Journals.

30. PRESIDENT:

31. You heard the motion. All in favor say Aye. Opposed
32. Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. Resolution.

33. SECRETARY:

...Resolution 483 introduced by Senator Carroll.

1. (Secretary reads SR 483)

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

3. Senator Carroll.

4. SENATOR CARROLL:

5. I ask for suspension of the rules for the immediate
6. consideration and adoption of the resolution.

7. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

8. Senator Carroll has moved the suspension of the rules
9. for the immediate consideration of this resolution. All those
10. in favor signify by saying Aye. All those opposed. The
11. Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Carroll
12. now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 483. All those
13. in favor signify by saying Aye. All those opposed. The Ayes
14. have it. The resolution is adopted. Committee Report.

15. SECRETARY:

16. Pursuant to Senate Resolution 483, the following
17. Senators have been appointed to approve the final Journals of the
18. Senate of the 79th General Assembly. Senators Kenneth Hall,
19. Kosinski, Carroll, Soper, and Davidson. Signed, Kenneth Hall,
20. Chairman of Committee on Committees.

21. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

22. All right. If you will, we'll just be at ease for a few
23. moments.

24. PRESIDENT:

25. For the benefit of those who may be in your offives,
26. the Senate will reconvene at 11:10. It's absolutely
27. necessary that we conclude our business so that the next
28. General Assembly may prepare to commence. Will the Senate
29. come to order. Will the members be in their seats. And those
30. not entitled to the Floor, please find seats, please.

31. Senator Kosinski. Resolution.

32. SECRETARY:

33. Senate Resolution 484 introduced by Senator Kosinski

1. and all Senators. It's congratulatory.

2. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

3. Senator Kosinski.

4. SENATOR KOSINSKI:

5. Mr. President, distinguished members of the Senate.

6. It is a great honor for me to introduce this congratulatory

7. resolution and it reads as follows.

8. (Senator Kosinski reads SR 484)

9. Mr. President, I now move for the suspension of the rules

10. and the immediate adoption of this resolution.

11. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

12. All right. Senator Kosinski has moved to suspend the rules

13. for the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 484.

14. All those in favor signify by saying Aye. All those opposed.

15. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Senator Kosinski

16. now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 484. All those

17. in favor signify by saying Aye. All those opposed. The

18. Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted.

19. SENATOR KOSINSKI:

20. Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President.

21. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

22. Yes, Senator Kosinski, for what purpose do you arise?

23. SENATOR KOSINSKI:

24. I'd like to have all the Congressmen join me in this...

25. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

26. Senator Kosinski asks leave that all members be shown

27. as cosponsors on Senate Resolution 484. Is leave granted?

28. So ordered. All right. If the members will please be in their

29. seats. And will our guests please be seated. We have two

30. remaining items of business. There is a death resolution and

31. then the adjournment resolution adjourning the 79th General

32. Assembly sine die. Senator Smith, are you...all right. Will

33. the members please be in their seats. Yes, Senator Harris, for

1. what purpose do you arise?
2. SENATOR HARRIS:
3. Mr. President, just very brief...
4. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)
5. Yes, Sir.
6. SENATOR HARRIS:
7. ...point of personal privilege before Senator Smith
8. proceeds if I might.
9. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)
10. State your point, Sir.
11. SENATOR HARRIS:
12. I just want to acknowledge to my colleagues the love that
13. I have for this Body and for them. And I'm most appreciative
14. that you waited until now this morning to adjourn sine die for
15. me to be here. It's the...it's the kind of thoughtfulness
16. that is expressed by people who serve in the Senate of Illinois.
17. I...I have a favorite expression and that is that class
18. really shows and the Senate of Illinois has class. I love
19. this State and I deeply respect and appreciate the governmental
20. process. And I have really been privileged to have been
21. a part of it for these last twenty-two years. I'll cherish
22. the memory. Thank you, Mr. President.
23. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)
24. Senator Shapiro is seeking recognition if he can ever
25. get to his mike. All right. All right. Resolutions. Will
26. the members please be in their seats. This is a death
27. resolution.
28. SECRETARY:
29. Senate Resolution 485, introduced by Senators Smith,
30. Partee and all Senators.
31. (Secretary reads SR 485)
32. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)
33. Senator Smith.

*Remarks
read by
1-12-77*

1. SENATOR SMITH:

2. Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

3. Indeed, near and dear in the hearts and in the affections
4. of those who know...knew him, is the memory, the personality
5. of the man to whom the resolution that was just read
6. relates. If you survey his life as a man, you will find
7. in it many, many things to admire and so far as I know,
8. nothing to condemn. He was brave, farseeing, quick in
9. insight, immediate in action, he was bold, cautious,
10. prudent, and yet daring. As a leader of a force of men and
11. ladies or ladies and men, he was perhaps more remarkable
12. still for promptness, firmness, fearlessness, strong,
13. practical wisdom, and an absolute sense of justice and
14. fair play. It would be hard and will be hard to find
15. his equal in the political life not alone of the City of
16. Chicago, but of the State of Illinois and in fact, this
17. Nation. But, there is, Mr. President and Ladies and
18. Gentlemen of the city, those of you who know of my life
19. know that I personally think that he, like all of the rest
20. of us should be considerate. I mean that sense of character
21. relative to his loyalty to friends, to his organization,
22. to his family, to himself and to his God. And when considered
23. in that light, I hope that you will agree with me when I say
24. that during all of the years read by our Secretary that he
25. served in public life, he performed those duties honestly,
26. and justly according to his heart's conviction. I'm getting
27. a little emotional now. Family knows better than any of
28. you, the relationship that existed as between he and I and the close
29. ties that existed. I'm going to sit down, Mr. President.

30. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

31. Senator Partee.

32. SENATOR PARTEE:

33. Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Senate. I'd
34. like to add just a word about the life of Richard J. Daley.

1. It was the life of a complete man. A man of wisdom, of depth,
2. of vision, and of devotion to duty and to his family.
3. He will be remembered for many, many things. Many of which
4. have been delineated in the resolution but I should like
5. to stress one other thing for which he will be remembered
6. by this Senator as a developer of human resources. I can
7. personally attest to the fact that he brought out from me
8. my mental potential. On the many occasions I've had a chance
9. to speak with him, I've found him, among other things,
10. to have not only compassion, but an almost photographic
11. mind and a polished memory. And I shall always be glad that
12. of all the places in the world where I might have lived
13. coming as I do from another state, Arkansas, of all the places
14. in the world where I may have cast my lot to try to make
15. a contribution to society, I am delighted, I am extremely
16. delighted, that I chose Illinois and the City of Chicago,
17. because I had the chance to drink from the mind of this
18. wonderful human being. We don't know, Mr. President, how to
19. deal with death. Death is a phenomenon which defies description
20. and which we cannot articulate its components. It's impact
21. is so heavy and grave on us. I was thinking the other day,
22. is when the first time I ever heard of a concept of death and
23. I suppose it was when I was a little boy and they said someone
24. died and I tried to summon to memory what most people said
25. on the occasion of death and there are three words that stick
26. out in my mind that most people said, Lord have mercy. And
27. then later in high school, Mr. President, I encountered death
28. in another kind of way, in literature. There was this poem
29. called Thanatopsis and I saw death in another dimension.
30. The writer said, "so live that when my summons comes, to join
31. that innumerable caravan which moves on to that mysterious
32. rim where each shall take his place in the silent halls of death,
33. Thy go not like a quarry slave scourged to his dungeon at night,

1. but sustained and soothed with an unfaltering trust. Approach
2. thy grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about
3. him and lies down to pleasant dreams." And then on another
4. occasion, Mr. President, death was described to me in another
5. kind of way. A way that I was not prepared to understand
6. when it was first expressed. It was on the occasion of the
7. death of a young legislator and we were at the funeral and a
8. fellow legislator turned to me and said, "Cecil, life to us."
9. I was shocked. Momentarily, I thought it flippant until I had
10. the occasion to delve into the Greek history from which this
11. expression comes. I came to know that "life to us" means
12. that we can do nothing about the departure of our loved one
13. except to live the life that is given to us in a way, in a
14. manner that would be acceptable and pleasing to our friend.
15. To be reflective of our care and concern about the life our
16. friend led. And to be concerned about implementing his hopes,
17. his dreams, his aspirations. So, in that vein, Mr. President,
18. I think these three expressions are not mutually exclusive.
19. It is, "Lord have mercy," it is "lie down to pleasant dreams,"
20. and it is "life to us." And I shall go, Mr. President, from
21. this hall today, back to the city he loved, to try in my
22. way to do and continue to do the things that he felt were
23. necessary for the survival, for the growth and the development
24. of that city.

25. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

26. Senator Harris.

27. SENATOR HARRIS:

28. Thank you, Mr. President. I think it absolutely a re-
29. quirement that the Minority join in some comment about the life
30. of the great man memorialized in Senate Resolution 485.
31. One of my great privileges through the years was to be involved
32. in conferences here in the General Assembly in which Mayor
33. Daley partook. He was an absolutely honorable man. A straight

1. arrow without exception, in the conduct of his public
2. responsibility and it was so obvious in his deportment
3. that it applied to his private life as well. We have heard
4. so much about his love for his city, and we could see that
5. but I certainly want to emphasize what was additionally
6. evident, his love for his family. While we were political
7. opponents, with respect to our party labels, we were deep
8. respectors of his integrity and his commitment to aid his
9. fellow man and every member of this side of the aisle
10. with pride will join in favorable consideration of Senate
11. Resolution 485. Our lives are better for having had
12. a personal relationship with Mayor Daley. Thank you, Mr. President.
13. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

14. Senator Smith seeks leave that all members be shown
15. as cosponsors of this resolution. Is leave granted?
16. Senator Smith now moves the suspension of the rules for the
17. immediate consideration and adoption of this resolution.
18. All those in favor signify by saying Aye. All those opposed.
19. The Ayes have it. The rules are suspended. Now under
20. consideration is the resolution. Senator...Senator Daley.
21. SENATOR DALEY:

22. Mr. President and fellow Senators. On behalf of my family,
23. my mother and sisters, I'd like to thank each and every one of
24. you for your kindness extended to us during the last few
25. weeks. My father was a proud man. He was proud to be a
26. member of the Illinois House of Representatives. But, most
27. of all he was proud to be a Senator and a Minority Leader
28. during the thirties and forties. He loved the Senate and
29. I think he was proud of each and every one of the Senators
30. whether during the thirties, or forties or fifties or sixties
31. or seventies, whatever party. Service to the State of Illinois was the
32. utmost...he thought in the minds of every Senator regardless
33. of party. And...look around the last few weeks and you under-
34. stand more and more of life and become very mature and his

1. guidance and counsel, I always sought and I was proud of that.
2. I was proud to seek the guidance and counsel of Howard
3. Mohr and I'm proud to seek the guidance and counsel to
4. men and women and this side of the aisle or the other
5. side of the aisle and I want to say to each and every one
6. of you is I think we all know what life is about when
7. you...when you lose your father. Thank you, very much.

8. PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR ROCK)

9. All those in favor of the resolution please signify
10. by rising. The resolution is adopted.

11. PRESIDENT:

12. Now, we'll be finishing in a moment. We're glad
13. to have all of you here. We'd like you, however, to
14. remain quiet. Resolutions. Message from the House.

15. SECRETARY:

16. A Message from the House by Mr. O'Brien, Clerk.

17. Mr. President - I am directed to inform the
18. Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted
19. the following Joint Resolution in the adoption of which
20. I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to-wit:

21. House Joint Resolution 114.

22. (Secretary reads HJR 114)

23. PRESIDENT:

24. Senator Rock is recognized.

25. SENATOR ROCK:

26. Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.
27. House Joint Resolution 114 is the adjournment resolution calling
28. for the 79th General Assembly to adjourn sine die. I would
29. move for the suspension of the rules and the immediate
30. consideration and adoption of this resolution.

31. PRESIDENT:

32. Senator Rock moves for the suspension of the rules.

33. All in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay. The Ayes have it.

1. The rules are suspended. Senator Rock now moves the adoption
2. of this resolution. All in favor say Aye. Opposed Nay.
3. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Senator...
4. any further business to come before the 79th General
5. Assembly? Senator Berning.

6. SENATOR BERNING:

7. Mr. President and members of the Senate.

8. PRESIDENT:

9. Just a moment. Will our visitors please...will our
10. visitors please not engage in conversation at the moment.
11. You're going to get a chance to...I know you love them,
12. but tell them with your eyes. Senator Berning.

13. SENATOR BERNING:

14. Just occurred to me, Mr. President and members of the
15. Senate, that this moment which has just arrived and is
16. passing is the last moment that many of us will have
17. to express to those of our fellow Senators, our thanks,
18. our best wishes and our pride in having served with
19. them. As you well know, several of our members including
20. those of the leadership, Mr. President, you and the Minority
21. Leader, Senator Harris, will be leaving this Body. Their...
22. their divergent ways will take them from us probably in
23. some instances permanently. Therefore, Mr. President, I wanted
24. to express my heartfelt thanks to them for their kindnesses
25. and solicitations over the years, their help, their
26. encouragement, and wish them well.

27. PRESIDENT:

28. Thank you, Senator. Any further business to come before
29. the Senate? Senator Rock moves that the 79th General
30. Assembly adjourn sine die. All in favor say Aye. Opposed
31. Nay. The Ayes have it. The 79th General Assembly is
32. adjourned sine die. Now, you can talk.

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