

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

1st Legislative Day

December 2, 1997

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The Senate will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Father Henry Schmidt, Little Flower Church, Springfield, Illinois. Father Schmidt.

FATHER HENRY SCHMIDT:

(Prayer by Father Henry Schmidt)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Sieben, to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SENATOR SIEBEN:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Sieben)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Mr. Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Communication to the Secretary of the Senate.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Enclosed please find a copy of Proclamation No. 97-659, filed in my office on November 18th, 1997, by Governor Jim Edgar, calling for a Special Session of the 90th General Assembly, to begin at 12 o'clock noon on December 2nd, 1997. A notice and accompanying Proclamation has been mailed to each Member's Springfield office; and, by certified mail, to each Member's district office.

Dated November 18th, 1997.

Sincerely, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The Senate is convened in the First Special Session of the 90th General Assembly. Mr. Secretary, read the Proclamation.

SECRETARY HARRY:

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 97-659)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

As this is the First Special Session of the 90th General Assembly, the rules adopted by the 90th General Assembly, its

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

1st Legislative Day

December 2, 1997

officers and committees, are in effect for the continuous period of the 90th General Assembly. Three organizational resolutions will be adopted today. These resolutions inform the House that the Senate is ready to conduct business, creates a special -- a Senate Committee of five to wait upon the Governor, creates a Senate Committee of three to approve the Journal and resolutions. Senator Weaver.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. -- Mr. President. I'd move for the suspension of the rules for the purpose of adopting Senate Resolution 1, 2 and 3.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The rules are suspended. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 1.

(Secretary reads SR No. 1)

Resolution offered by Senator Weaver.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Weaver, to explain the resolution - Senate Resolution No. 1.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 1 informs the House of Representatives that the Senate has assembled and is ready to transact business, and I'd move for its adoption.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator -- Senator Weaver has moved the -- for the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 1. Those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Senate -- Senator Weaver, on Senate Resolution No. 2.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 2.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

1st Legislative Day

December 2, 1997

(Secretary reads SR No. 2)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Weaver...

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

...to explain the resolution.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Senate Resolution 2 directs the President to appoint a committee of five to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the Senate is in Session, and I would move its adoption.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Weaver moves the -- for the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 2. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Weaver, on -- Mr. Secretary, read the resolution.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 3, offered by Senator Weaver.

(Secretary reads SR No. 3)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Weaver, to explain Senate Resolution No. 3.

SENATOR WEAVER:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Resolution 3 establishes a committee of three - two members appointed by the President, one member appointed by the Minority Leader - to approve the Senate Journals for the First Special Session when the Journals have not, prior to adjournment sine die, been approved by the whole Body. And I would move its adoption.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Weaver moves the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 3. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

1st Legislative Day

December 2, 1997

The Ayes have it. The resolution is adopted. Senator Karpziel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

To announce a Republican Caucus in Senator Philip's office immediately.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Thank you, Senator Karpziel. The Senate will stand in recess until the call of the Chair. I'm sorry, Senator Demuzio, I didn't know that -- I didn't see your light on.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

That's -- that's quite all right, Mr. President. I don't have any quarrel with the call of the Chair, but I assume that even when you call us back, there won't be anything for us to do anyway. So for the edification of our Members, is there -- is there going to be any other business that you know of to be...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

I'm assuming that the House will stand up to the plate and hit a home run. I'm very convinced of that. So -- but I would suggest you might hang around for awhile and see what happens. The Leadership in the House has told me that it's going to be wham-bam and they're going to be out of there. So -- but just in case. I don't think there's much other they can do than take a vote on it, though, Senator.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS)

(SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DUDYCZ)

Senate will come to order. Is there any further business to

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
SENATE TRANSCRIPT

1st Legislative Day

December 2, 1997

come before the Senate? If not, Senator Sieben moves the First Special Session of the 90th General Assembly stands adjourned sine die.

STATE OF ILLINOIS
90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SENATE
DAILY TRANSCRIPTION OF DEBATE INDEX
SPECIAL SESSION # 1

DECEMBER 02, 1997

SR-0001 ADOPTED	PAGE	2
SR-0001 RESOLUTION OFFERED	PAGE	2
SR-0002 ADOPTED	PAGE	3
SR-0002 RESOLUTION OFFERED	PAGE	2
SR-0003 ADOPTED	PAGE	4
SR-0003 RESOLUTION OFFERED	PAGE	3

SUBJECT MATTER

SENATE TO ORDER-PRESIDENT PHILIP	PAGE	1
PRAYER-FATHER HENRY SCHMIDT	PAGE	1
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	PAGE	1
COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE	PAGE	1
PROCLAMATION NO. 97-659 READ INTO THE RECORD	PAGE	1
SENATE STANDS IN RECESS	PAGE	4
SENATE RECONVENES	PAGE	4
ADJOURNMENT	PAGE	5