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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

The regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly will please come to order. Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Journal of Friday, July 9, 2004, from the regular Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary, which I know is voluminous, filled with detail, be approved, unless a Member of the Senate has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Senator Haine moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Senator Halvorson, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For an announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Please State your announcement.

SENATOR HALVORSON:

Senator Ronen will not be here today because a -- of family

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

The record will so reflect. Senator Burzynski, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement.

State your announcement.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Senator Soden will not be here today because of business back in the district, and I'd just like to -- to report I think Senator Haine's hearing is much sharper and brighter than mine, because I didn't hear the voluminous volumes relative to the record that -- that the good Senator heard. So, let me know who your audiologist is so I can have my ears checked. Thank you.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Senator Walsh, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR WALSH:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Please state your point.

SENATOR WALSH:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, today I have the honor of having a -- a guest -- a Page for a Day. She had seen where we were going to be in Session and she - she's on her summer break and she enjoyed - to come down and - and see the activities of the Illinois Senate. So happens that she's my Secretary, Rhonda Wood's niece, Amber Wood. She's fifteen years old and she's going to be a sophomore at Rantoul Township high School next year. So, would you please welcome Amber Wood to the Illinois Senate?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR WELCH)

Amber, welcome to Springfield. Before we adjourn, we had a couple of requests for permission to videotape, record or otherwise cover the facilities. Melissa Hahn of WICS-Channel 20 and Senator Ronen Burgundy of Channel 4 asks leave to cover the proceedings. Without objection, leave is granted. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13th, 2004. The Senate stands adjourned.