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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The Senate will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks. Madam Secretary, Communications from the Secretary of State.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

June 24th, 2004.

Dear Secretary Hawker - Enclosed please find a copy of Proclamation 2004-183, filed in my office on June 24, 2004, by Rod R. Blagojevich, calling for a Special Session of the 93rd General Assembly, to begin at 12 o'clock on Friday, June 25, 2004. A notice and accompanying Proclamation has been mailed today to each Member's Springfield office.

Sincerely, Jesse White, Secretary of State.

(Secretary reads Proclamation No. 04-183)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

The Senate is convened in the -- Second Special Session of the 93rd General Assembly. Under the practice of this Body since the 88th General Assembly, the rules adopted by the 93rd General Assembly and its officers and committees are in effect for the continuous period of the 93rd General Assembly, including any Special Session. There are three organizational resolutions that will be adopted today. These resolutions inform the House that the Senate is ready to conduct business, create a Senate Committee of five to wait upon the Governor, and create a Senate Committee of three people to approve the Journals for the Senate for all days of the Special -- Special Session. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution No. 1, Second Special Session, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads SR No. 1)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Welch moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate adoption -- adopting Senate Resolution 1. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Welch now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 1. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

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SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution No. 2, Second Special Session, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads SR No. 2)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Welch moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution 2. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Welch now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 2. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Madam Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 3, Second Special Session, offered by Senator Welch.

(Secretary reads SR No. 3)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Senator Welch moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediately adopting Senate Resolution 3. All those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Senator Welch now moves the adoption of Senate Resolution 3. Those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Senator Roskam, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSKAM:

Point of order, Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

State your point.

SENATOR ROSKAM:

You know, I feel like we're in an episode of "Groundhog Day". So we've convened three separate times today. Do we anticipate convening anymore times? Do we need more prayers? Apparently we do. More Pledges of Allegiance? Can you just give us a sense of what the -- what the schedule's going to be like for the rest of the day?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HALVORSON)

Well, Senator Roskam, 12:15 is caucus. There's a bunch of committees this afternoon, and we'll go from there. Senator Roskam, and then we also expect to convene Regular Session at

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the call of the Chair. The Second Special Session of the Senate will stand adjourned until 10:05 tomorrow. The Senate stands adjourned.