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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

The regular Session of the 96th General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desk? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor Jeff Smith of Modesto Christian Church in Modesto, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR JEFF SMITH:

(Prayer by Pastor Jeff Smith)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Maloney, to lead in the Pledge, sir.

SENATOR MALONEY:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Maloney)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Madam Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal, please.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Journal of February 4th, 2009.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Good morning, Senator Hunter. Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Good morning, Mr. President. I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senators has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you. Senator Hunter moves to approve the Journals just read by the Secretary. There being no objection, so ordered. Madam Secretary, Resolutions, please. Disregard Resolutions, Madam Secretary. Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, we'll

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now proceed to the Order of Resolutions Consent Calendar. With leave of the Body, all those resolutions read in today will be added to the Consent Calendar. Madam Secretary, has there been any objections filed to any resolution on the Consent Calendar?

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

No objections filed, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. President Cullerton, for what purpose do you rise, sir? Could we have the attention of the Members, please? President Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Thank you, Mr. President. Just want to make a couple of announcements. First of all, I know we had our individual caucuses' dinners last night, and hope the Republicans had a good time. We are all going to join - just to remind everybody - we're going to join together as a Senate for a dinner February 25th at the Governor's Mansion. Everyone is highly encouraged to bring your spouse or significant other to that event. We're going to have entertainment and camaraderie. So it'll be very enjoyable, I hope. And also, I'd like to announce that we are formally cancelling Session on Monday because we didn't have time to post enough -- post the bills for -- for Monday for committee. So we're going to cancel Session on Monday. We'll have Session on Tuesday and Wednesday. We'll have -- the committees that have bills assigned to them will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday. And, then that's it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, there being no further business to come before the Senate... Just a minute. Before we adjourn,

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we have to do a little housekeeping. So just stay put for one moment, please. (Senate at ease) Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, we're on the Order of Resolutions. Now comes... Madam Secretary, read the resolution, please.

SECRETARY SHIPLEY:

Senate Joint Resolution 11, offered by Senator Clayborne.

(Secretary reads SJR No. 11)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DeLEO)

Thank you, Madam Secretary. Senator Clayborne moves to suspend the rules for the purpose of immediate consideration and adoption of Senate Joint Resolution No. 11. Those in favor will say Aye. Those opposed will say Nay. It's the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it, and the rules are suspended. Okay, Senator Clayborne moves for the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 11. All those in favor will say Aye. All those opposed will say Nay. It's the opinion of the Chair, the Ayes have it, and the resolution is adopted. Now the message you've all been waiting for. There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 noon on Tuesday, February 10th, the year 2009. Thank you, Senator Burzynski. Have a nice weekend.