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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

The regular Session of the 98th General Assembly will please come to order. Will all the Members be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? The invocation today will be given by Pastor David Anderson, Modesto Christian Church, Modesto, Illinois. Pastor.

PASTOR DAVID ANDERSON:

(Prayer by Pastor David Anderson)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Jacobs, to lead us in the Pledge.

SENATOR JACOBS:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Jacobs)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, Reading and Approval of the Journal.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Journals of Thursday, February 14th, and Friday, February 15th, and Thursday, February 21st, 2013.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter.

SENATOR HUNTER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal just read by the Secretary, pending arrival of the printed transcript.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Hunter moves to postpone the reading and approval of the Journal, pending arrival of the printed transcripts. There being no objection, so ordered. Stephen Bourque with WICS-TV requests permission to shoot video and audio. Seeing no

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objection, leave is granted. Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 104, offered by Senator Haine and all Members.

Senate Resolution 105, offered by Senator Oberweis and all Members.

Senate Resolution 106, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 107, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 108, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

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Senate Resolution 113, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 114, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 115, offered by Senator McCann and all Members.

Senate Resolution 116, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 117, offered by Senator Oberweis and all

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Members.

Senate Resolution 118, offered by Senator Oberweis and all Members.

Senate Resolution 119, offered by Senator Link and all Members.

Senate Resolution 120, offered by Senator Mulroe and all Members.

Senate Resolution 121, offered by Senator Mulroe and all Members.

They are all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Resolutions Consent Calendar.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 122, offered by Senator Righter.

It is substantive.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. I -- I move to, as the principal sponsor of Senate Bill 1745, to lay it on the table, pursuant to Senate Rule 7-10(b).

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

I would also like to know where the table is, if I may.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose, what was the bill number, please?

SENATOR ROSE:

Senate Bill 1745.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- Senator Rose moves that we table Senate Bill 1745. Seeing no objection, the leave -- motion is granted. And Senate Bill 1745 is tabled. Mr. Secretary, Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Appointment Message 55

To the Honorable -- Honorable Members of the Senate, Eighty-Eighth {sic} (Ninety-Eighth) General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Mid-Illinois Medical District Commission:

Sheila Stocks-Smith

Appointment Message 56

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Eighty-Eighth General -- Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Jorge Ramirez

Appointment Message 57

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Heather Goines

Appointment Message 58

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Tina Harbin

Appointment Message 59

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Mark Guethle

Appointment Message 60

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Maria Bocanegra

Appointment Message 61

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Brian Glynn

Appointment Message 62

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Ralph Graham

Appointment Message 63

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

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Roberto Carmona

Appointment Message 64

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

John F. Penn

Appointment Message 65

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Larry Swope

Appointment Message 66

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Marc Poulos

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To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Bruce Holland

Appointment Message 68

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Department of Labor Advisory Board:

Kimberley A. Bobo

Appointment Message 69

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Carnival-Amusement Safety Board:

William W. Sparks

Appointment Message 70

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the East St. Louis Financial Advisory Authority:

Clarence Ellis, Sr.

Appointment Message 71

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Governors State University:

Bruce N. Friefield -- Friefield

Appointment Message 72

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Governors State University:

Anibal L. Taboas

Appointment Message 73

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth

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General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Governors State University:

Lorraine Tyson

Appointment Message 74

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Southern {sic} (Southwestern) Illinois Development Authority:

Gregory Kuehnel

Appointment Message 75

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Illinois Finance Authority:

Roger Poole

Appointment Message 76

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth

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General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Director of the Health Information Exchange Authority:

Bechara Choucair, M.D.

Appointment Message 77

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Director of the Illinois Information -- Health Information Exchange Authority:

Robert B. Wellman, M.D.

Appointment Message 78

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be the Director, Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority:

Mark R. Neaman

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To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Illinois Housing Development Authority:

Cristina Castro

Appointment Message 80

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Illinois Housing Development Authority:

Salvatore Tornatore

ACTING SECRETARY KAISER:

Appointment Message 80 -- excuse me, Appointment Message 81

To the Honorable Members of the Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To the -- to the Office of Public Guardian and Public Administrator for Adams County:

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Christopher Scholz

Appointment Message 82

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Public Guardian and Public Administrator of Brown County:

Janet G. Miley

Appointment Message 83

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Public Administrator and Public Guardian of Jackson County:

Shannon Rieckenberg

Appointment Message No. 84

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Public Administrator and Public Guardian of

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Stephenson County:

Charles D. Robinson

Appointment Message 85

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Board of Trustees, Southern Illinois University:

Sandra Cook

Appointment Message 86

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Board -- to -- excuse me, to be Member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University:

Melvin Terrell

Appointment Message 87

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University:

Harold Lee Milner

Appointment Message 88

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To be a Member of the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission:

Craig Futterman

Appointment Message 89

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission:

Neil Toppel

Appointment Message 90

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

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consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission:

Leonard Cavise

Appointment Message 91

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University:

Yvonne Salava -- Savala

Appointment Message 92

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University:

Roger Clawson

Appointment Message 93

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named

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individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University:

Carolyn J. Ehlert Fuller

Appointment Message 94

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Chief Factory Inspector of the Illinois Department of Labor:

Greg Bradshaw

Appointment Message 95

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be Assistant Secretary of the Department of Human Services:

Nelida Smyser-DeLeon

Appointment Message 96

To the Honorable Members of the Senate, Ninety-Eighth General Assembly:

I, Pat Quinn, Governor, am nominating and, by and with the

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advice and consent of the Senate, appointing the following named individual to the office enumerated below. The advice and consent of this Honorable Body is respectfully requested.

To be a Member of the Illinois Commerce Commission:

Sherina Maye

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Purpose of announcements -- personal privilege, please, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your announcement, Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you. Can I -- can I actually have everyone's attention, if I might ask for that, for a few seconds, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Absolutely. Ladies and Gentlemen, if we could have your attention. If we can keep the visiting down. Senator Althoff has an announcement.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Wants to introduce some -- some guests here. If we could have your attention. Everybody keep the visiting down, please. Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you very much, again, Mr. President. I believe most individuals of the Body have heard me speak very fondly and affectionately, as well as professionally, about the National

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Conference of State Legislators {sic} (Legislatures). It's a national organization that -- whose mission is states' rights. They work very collaboratively with all of the states here in the United States. We have guests. They make annual visits in an effort to introduce themselves to new Members and let you know what wonderful services that they provide for us. We have with us Natalie Wood, who is the program principal for NCSL. She's been with them for thirteen years. She deals with the ethic portion -- ethics portion of what states deal with. We also have -- Natalie, say hello, wave. We also have Michael Bird, who is counsel. He deals with all of the fiscal issues, both at the state and federal level. He has been with NCSL for twenty-eight years. And we also have visiting with us Martha Salazar, who is the policy specialist. And one of her policies is the health exchange information that many of the states are now dealing with. So I'd like us to give them a nice welcome to Illinois. And I, again, urge all of you to utilize those services when you're looking at legislation if you need information about what other states are dealing with and how they are addressing many of the issues that all states have to deal with. So, if I might, a nice welcome to Natalie, Michael and Martha.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Folks, welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Great to have you here today. Great organization. Thank you very much. Senator Dillard, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement. And it is great to...

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your announcement, Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

...have our friends from NCSL here. I would like to announce -- and -- and I support NCSL, I support Senator Trotter and The Council of State Governments, but another national legislative organization, ALEC, also known -- or, really known as the American Legislative Exchange Council, is also in town tonight. And they have a reception at Illini Country Club from 5 until 6:30 this evening. Representative Reis is -- is the House of Representative's State Chair. And for those of you who are -- are looking to, as Senator Althoff said, know what some of these national organizations that serve legislatures throughout America do so well, ALEC's got a reception tonight from 5 until 6:30 with some of their national people, at Illini Country Club. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the Senate will stand at ease for a few minutes to allow the Committee on Assignments to meet. Will all members of the Committee on Assignments please come to the President's Anteroom immediately. Committee on Assignments in the President's Anteroom immediately. The Senate will stand at ease. (at ease) Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Judiciary Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1219; refer to Local Government

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Committee - Floor Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1204; refer to Public Health Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1321; refer to Transportation Committee - Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1346 and Committee Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1381.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Rose, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ROSE:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Rose.

SENATOR ROSE:

Thank you, Mr. President. Ladies and Gentlemen, we're honored today, in the gallery, to be joined by the Saint Thomas More High School Cross Country Team. And just like to recognize them for their efforts. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Ladies and Gentlemen, let's welcome our guests to the Illinois State Senate. Good to have you here today. Ladies and Gentlemen, if I could have your attention for an announcement. The following committee will be meeting to take up committee or Floor amendments: Tomorrow morning, Local Government will meet in Room 212 at 10 a.m. Local Government, tomorrow morning, Room 212 at 10 a.m. Thank you. President Cullerton, in the Chair.

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen, and if you could please have a seat. I would like to have a presentation of a visiting dignitary, so I'd like to ask you to please take your seats.

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And we can begin as soon as everyone has taken their seats. Today, I'm pleased to welcome the first visiting dignitary of the 98th General Assembly to the Senate Floor. Israel remains a strong ally to our great democracy and I'm pleased to welcome the Consul General of Israel to the Midwest to our Chamber today. In fact, the Consul General's visit comes on the heels of, as you may know, the White House announcement that President Obama will visit Israel next month. As Israel's highest-ranking official in the Midwest, the Honorable Roey Gilad is responsible for eleven states in the Midwest region, including his base in Chicago. During his tenure with Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Consul General Gilad served in various positions outside of Israel, including the United Kingdom, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Kenya. The Consul General was head of the Political Affairs Department in Israel's Embassy in London; media spokesman in Israel's Embassy in Amman, and the second secretary in Nairobi during his first posting. While in his native Israel, the Consul General was most recently at Israel's National Defense College and, prior to that, was head of the Export Control Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Since ascending to his post -- this post last summer, the Consul General has hit the ground running - literally. He's someone who has done something that I did a few years ago, and that is run marathons. He's an avid marathon runner and has run eight marathons. We'll be rooting for him. But for now, I ask that you simply welcome him to the Senate Chamber. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, the Honorable Roey Gilad, Consul General of Israel to the Midwest.

CONSUL GENERAL OF ISRAEL TO THE MIDWEST ROEY GILAD:

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Roey Gilad)

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

Senator Sullivan, in the Chair, please.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Republicans would request a caucus for approximately thirty minutes.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Harmon, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HARMON:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Senate Democrats would join in that request and would like to caucus for thirty minutes in the President's Office as well, upon recess or adjournment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Okay, Ladies and Gentlemen, before we recess here, a couple of announcements. First of all, all the committees that were scheduled for 1 o'clock have now been moved back till 2 o'clock. So the -- all the -- all the committees will be -- be moved back accordingly. So, the 1 o'clocks -- committees that were scheduled at 1 will now be meeting at 2. The 2:30s and on down the line will also be moved back. Senators Harmon and Althoff move that the Senate recess for the purposes of a Senate Democrat and Republican Caucuses, lasting approximately thirty minutes. Seeing no objection, the motion is granted. The Senate now stands in recess to the call of the Chair. After the Senate Democrat... The Senate now stands in recess to the call of the Chair. After the Senate Democrat and Republican Caucuses,

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the Senate -- the Senate committees will meet. The Senate will reconvene after committee meetings for the purpose of reading committee reports and Floor action. The Senate stands in recess to the call of the Chair.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDENT CULLERTON:

The Senate will come to order. We -- we would ask that the members of the Committee on Assignments please come to the.. The Senate will come to order. Can we please ask the Committee on Assignments to come to the Anteroom? (at ease)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Clayborne, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: For Senate Floor Action - Without Recommendation Appointment Message 85, 86, and 87.

Signed, Senator James F. Clayborne, Chairman.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To fulfill our responsibilities under Article V, Section 9 of the Constitution, we will now proceed to the Order of Advise and Consent. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on appointments set forth -- Appointment Message 85, 86 and 87.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of acting on the Appointment Messages just read. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate is resolved into Executive Session. Mr. Secretary, Motions in Writing - Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a motion in writing from Senator Muñoz, Chairman of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, print the motion on the Calendar. Supplemental Calendar 1 has been printed and distributed. On Supplemental Calendar 1, Mr. Secretary, Motions in Writing - Appointment Messages.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

I have a motion in writing from Senator Muñoz, Chairman of the Committee on Executive Appointments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Mr. Secretary, please read the motion.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Motion to Compile Appointment Messages.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 10-1(c), as the Chairman of the Executive Appointments Committee, I move to compile the following Appointment Messages to be acted on together by a single vote of the Senate: Appointment Messages 85, 86, and 87 - Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University.

Dated, February 27th, 2013. Assistant Majority Leader Antonio Muñoz, Chair, Executive Appointments Committee.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Senator Muñoz moves to compile the Appointment Messages to be acted on - on together by a single vote of the Senate. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it. The motion carries. Mr. Secretary, read the compiled appointments.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

To be Members of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University, for terms commencing February 25th, 2013, and ending January 21st, 2019: Sandra Cook, Melvin Terrell, and Harold Lee Milner.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Mr. President, I move that the Senate do advise and consent to the appointments just read.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Is there any discussion? Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

To the motion, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the motion, Senator Haine.

SENATOR HAINE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. These appointments by his Excellency, the Governor, raise some serious concerns in our mind. They affect my district and the district of Senator Clayborne and others in a unique way, but they should concern us all. The Constitution

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has, from its inception, given the Governor the great power of nomination to certain boards and commissions. The Constitution, according to law, has given the Senate the authority to advise and consent. And that authority implies that there's a consultation with the Senate on appointments to allow us - those of us -- particularly on a university board - to have some input and knowledge of the proposed nominees. Not that we -- we have a blank check. The Governor does have a blank check - but we do not. We should give great deference to the Governor's appointments. Without speaking to any qualifications or merits, or lack thereof, of any of the proposed nominees, it suffices to say I don't know any of their backgrounds save for one and that's only a limited knowledge. I do know the record, the public record, of the three board members who were summarily dismissed without formal notice or consultation by those of us in this Body or the other Chamber that are affected. And those individuals are Attorney John Simmons, Chair of the Board; Superintendent of Public Instruction Edward Hightower, longtime member of the board; and Mr. Mark Hinrichs, relatively recent member of the board. Attorney Simmons and his previous partners, individually and together, have literally given millions of dollars to SIU - millions. There sits in Springfield the SimmonsCooper Cancer Center. They've built a soccer complex in -- in Edwardsville. Why? Because the man is a proud alumnus of SIU Edwardsville and he attributes their training and environment somewhat to his success. Mr. Hightower has served on that board for years - years of distinction without blemish. He is a trained educator, who serves on hospital boards. He's superintendent of one of the most

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successful school districts in the State. And he serves, again, without pay, only because he believes that SIU is an -- is a place of opportunity for all of our citizens of whatever race, gender, or creed, or economic status. The same for Mr. Hinrichs, who is a -- is a successful building contractor, whose expertise is good for SIU, both campuses. To have these three people dismissed publicly - I called it, few moments ago, their defenestration - without any reason given, I don't think is the right thing to do for them, for their record of service, for Southern Illinois University, or for any university. When the Governor asks someone to serve on any board of trustees, they should expect to be fairly treated for their record of service. Irrespective of internal board disagreements, the record of these gentlemen has been, again, marked by distinction. And that's the second reason why I would ask a No vote, to exercise our constitutional responsibility and say we do not consent. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Haine. Further discussion on the motion? Senator Clayborne, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

To speak on the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the motion, Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank you, Mr. President, and it's good to be back. You know, it's -- we -- we provide funding to make sure that all of our citizens in this State get an opportunity to live a productive life, to give them tools they need to be successful

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in life. And I was approached - actually received a phone call several weeks ago - by one of the board members that was not reappointed. And it concerned him because one of the current board members was president of this board two years ago, when he was first appointed. And he was told that this time, if this same gentleman became president of this board, he had two things he was going to do immediately. One was to get rid of the current president. But what disturbed me the most was the fact that he said that he would make sure, as a priority, he would reduce the minority population at Southern Illinois University, at Carbondale. Particularly the Carbondale campus because their enrollment is about thirty-five percent minority, and apparently he believes that's wrong. Well, you know, in this day and time, we should not be giving access based upon race, creed or color. We should be making sure that those students deserve an opportunity who want to go, who are going to work hard, receive a fair opportunity to be successful in life, just like anyone else. So it concerns me that there's a push to make this individual the chairman of the board. What direction are we going? What -- what message are we sending by appointing or -- or -- or placing an individual on this board who does not believe that everybody should receive an opportunity to go to college; that we will close the doors on those individuals not because of their merit, not because of the hard work that they've put into it, but because they're a minority? You know, this is not the -- this is not the fifties or forties or thirties. We're beyond that. We should be looking at people based upon their merit. But I hate to say that, you know, there are some people that want to take us back to the past. And I

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tell you that we should not go back to the past. We should allow everybody the decent opportunity to improve their own plight, to be self-sufficient, and to be productive in their community. So if we allow -- and it has nothing to do with the three individuals who are -- who are being nominated. The problem is, they were asked by the Governor to support this gentleman again for president of the board. So if we -- if we support denying people access to education because of their skin color, then we'll vote Yes on this. But we should send a message to the Governor and to this individual who's on this board that we're going to give everybody who works hard, who has a dream, access to be self-sufficient, give them access to a quality education, and to give them access to success. I would ask for a No vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you, Senator Clayborne. And it is good to have you back. Further discussion? Senator Bivins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BIVINS:

Thank you, Mr. President. Question on the motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Sponsor indicates he will yield, Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

Senator, have any of these appointments gone through the Executive Appointments Committee?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

None have been before committee.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

To the motion, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

To the motion, Senator Bivins.

SENATOR BIVINS:

I appreciate and have the great most -- utmost respect for Senator Haine and Clayborne and the information they've shared with this Body, but I think that this is a -- a -- while there's disagreement about what's going on here, and a lot of concern, I think the appropriate place is to go -- go to the Executive Appointments Committee. And therefore, I would urge a No vote from this side. Thank you.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Thank you. Is there any further discussion? Is there any further discussion? Ladies and Gentlemen, seeing none, the question is, does the Senate advise and consent to the compiled Appointment Messages just read. All those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Mr. Secretary, take the record. On that question, there 0 voting Yea, 23 voting Nay, 32 voting Present. Twenty-nine or less -- excuse me, a majority of the Senator elected, having refused to give their advice and consent by the record vote, the Senate rejects the Appointment Messages just read. Senator Haine, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAINE:

I would like to, in all seriousness, make a motion to

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reconsider. I move to reconsider the vote in Appointment Messages 85, 86, 87.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- excuse me, Senator Clayborne, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

I move to table that motion.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator -- Senator Clayborne moves to -- excuse me, Senator Clayborne moves the motion to reconsider the vote... Senator Clayborne moves the motion to table the motion to reconsider the vote by which Appointment Messages 85, 86 and 87 failed the Senate. Those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and it is tabled. Senator Muñoz.

SENATOR MUÑOZ:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Senate arise from Executive Session.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Senator Muñoz moves that the Senate arise from Executive Session. All those in favor will say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the motion carries. The Senate has arisen from Executive Session. Senator Althoff, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you, Mr. President. Point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Please state your point, Senator Althoff.

SENATOR ALTHOFF:

Thank you. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, directly

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behind me in the gallery are members of the Republican Women's Leadership Program, commonly referenced the Lincoln Series. They're here today in the Capitol as part of their program. So might we recognize and give them a warm Senate welcome?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR SULLIVAN)

Welcome to the Illinois State Senate. Nice to have you here today. Ladies and Gentlemen, if I can have your attention for a purpose of an announcement. The 2 o'clock meetings -- well, actually, originally the 1 o'clock meetings that were moved to 2 o'clock will be convening immediately. Those committees are Ag and Conservation, in Room 212; Education, in 400; Public Health, in 409. All the other meetings scheduled for this afternoon should be pretty much on schedule. They will be meeting at their normal times. Senate will stand in recess to the call of the Chair. After committee meetings, the Senate will reconvene to receive committee reports. The Senate stands in recess.

(SENATE STANDS IN RECESS/SENATE RECONVENES)

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

The Senate will come to order. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Harmon, Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, reports the following Legislative Measures have been assigned: Refer to Agriculture and Conservation Committee - Senate Bills 1538, 1589, 1601 {sic} (1608), 1620, 1715, and Senate Resolution 83; refer to Appropriations I Committee - Senate Bills 737,

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1437, 1438, 1513, 1677, 1733, 1734, 1808 and 1809; refer to Appropriations II Committee - Senate Bill 1621; refer to Criminal Law Committee - Senate Bills 1275, 1528, 1532, 1575, 1586, 1587, 1609, 1645, 1735, 1756, 1764, 1814, 1817, 1843, 1844, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1854, 1856, 1862, 1872; refer to Education Committee - Senate Bills 1577, 1622, 1702, 1703, 1711, 1845, 1877, 1880, and Senate Resolution 91; refer to Energy Committee - Senate Bills 1418 and 1874; refer to Environment Committee - Senate Bills 1666, 1704, 1705, 1868, and Senate Resolution 98; refer to Executive Committee - Senate Bills 112, 113, 202, 203, 272, 332, 624, 712, 738, 272, 1431, 1522, 1540, 1548, 1550, 1561, 1564, 1583, 1584, 1585, 1603, 1607, 1624, 1635, 1640, 1657, 1659, 1673, 1675, 1676, 1680, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1685, 1689, 1692, 1707, 1714, 1717, 1721, 1725, 1738, 1739, 1771, 1794, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1847, 1858, 1860, 1865, 1870, 1897, 1899, 2144, and House Bill 1560; refer to Executive Appointments Committee - AMs 39 through 54; refer to Financial Institutions Committee - Senate Bill -- Senate Bills 1667, 1674, 1728, 1778, 1812 and 1829; refer to Higher Education Committee - Senate Bills 1549, 1591, 1592, 1688, 1746, 1763, 1791 and 1900; refer to Human Services Committee - Senate Bills 822, 1529, 1531, 1537, 1546, 1567, 1599, 1600, 1654, 1655, 1694, 1695, 1719, 1720, 1722, 1742, 1744 and 1807; refer to Insurance Committee - Senate Bills 1547, 1630, 1636, 1642, 1658, 1716, 1718, 1729, 1730, 1731, 1754, 1758, 1773, 1774, 1775, 1873 and 1878; refer to Judiciary Committee - Senate Bills 1295, 1526, 1533, 1536, 1539, 1565, 1602, 1612, 1615, 1616, 1663, 1686, 1709, 1724, 1727, 1736, 1759, 1760, 1768, 1826, 1846, 1867, 1879 and 1935; refer to Labor and Commerce Committee - Senate Bills

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1521, 1568, 1639, 1669, 1708, 1749, 1750, 1751, 1752, 1753, 1830 and 1861; refer to Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee - Senate Bills 1523, 1543, 1544, 1631, 1651, 1662, 1664, 1671, 1687, 1792, 1846 {sic}, 1853, 1863 and 1876; refer to Local Government Committee - Senate Bill 1492 {sic}, 1535, 1637, 1681, 1691, 1755, 1795, 1822, 1824, 1864, 1869 and 1896; refer to Public Health Committee - Senate Bills 1576, 1588, 1610, 1623 and 1696; refer to Revenue Committee - Senate Bills 1501, 1525, 1541, 1545, 1593, 1595, 1672, 1737, 1740, 1743, 1772, 1777, 1801, 1816, 1823, 1866 and 1894; refer to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Senate Bills 222, 1534, 1653, 1670, 1679, 1693, 1723, 1748, 1779, 1787 and 1882; refer to Transportation Committee - Senate Bills 1524, 1527, 1530, 1594, 1634, 1647, 1697, 1757, 1776, 1784, 1785, 1805, 1825, 1828, 1871, 1898, and Senate Resolution 90; re-refer from Executive Committee to State Government and Veterans Affairs Committee - Senate Bill 2; re-refer from Revenue Committee to Executive Committee - Senate Bill 41; Be Approved for Consideration - Senate Resolution 84.

Signed, Senator Don Harmon, Chairman.

Correction: Under Local Government, I read Senate Bill 1492; it should have been Senate Bill 492.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, Resolutions.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senate Resolution 123, offered by Senator LaHood and all -- I'm sorry, Senator LaHood, Koehler and all Members.

Senate Resolution 124, offered by Senator LaHood and all Members.

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They are both death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Resolutions Consent Calendar. Mr. Secretary, Committee Reports.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

Senator Mulroe, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Health, reports Senate Bill 1303, 1373 Do Pass; Senate Bills -- Senate Bill 1321 Do Pass, as Amended; and Senate Resolution 75 Be Adopted.

Senator Koehler, Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture and Conservation, reports Senate Bill 50, Senate Bill 1170, Senate Bill 1341 and Senate Bill 1470 Do Pass.

Senator Delgado, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, reports Senate Bill 84 and Senate Bill 1307 Do Pass.

Senator Raoul, Chairperson of the Committee on Judiciary, reports Senate Bill 48, Senate Bill 1169, Senate Bill 1287, Senate Bill 1340, Senate Bill 1358, Senate Bill 1399 Do Pass; and Senate Bill 1219 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Sandoval, Chairperson of the Committee on Transportation, reports Senate Bill 1381 Do Pass, as Amended; Senate Joint Resolution 2 Be Adopted.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

Mr. Secretary, Messages from the House.

SECRETARY ANDERSON:

A Message from the House by Mr. Mapes, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate the House of Representatives has adopted the following joint resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

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House Joint Resolution No. 1.

Offered by Senator Collins. And adopted by the House, February 27th, 2013. Timothy D. Mapes, Clerk of the House. It is substantive, Mr. President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR HARMON)

There being no further business to come before the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 12 noon on the 28th day of February, 2013. The Senate stands adjourned.