May I have your attention, please? May I have your attention, please? Will people not entitled to the floor kindly clear the aisles in order that we may begin the proceedings within about five minutes?.............

All assembled in these chambers kindly give attention. The proceedings will begin in less than five minutes. Will all not entitled to the floor kindly leave?........

Doorkeeper Heckenkamp, Bud Heckenkamp, Doorkeeper, do you have an announcement to make?"

Doorkeeper Heckenkamp: "Will those people not entitled to the floor please leave the chambers? Let's clear the aisles."

Doorkeeper: "Kindly clear the aisles, please. The front aisle is pretty well cleared but there is a lot of congestion right in these two. We've got to keep the aisles cleared. .....Hey, have you got a check for this one? He says, 'Sergeant-at-Arms will have a check.'........Right here, it says that the Sergeant-at-Arms is supposed to have a check to pay for this."

Unknown: "Emery, will the Doorkeeper.......?"

Doorkeeper: "May I have your attention one more time? Kindly clear the aisles. Bud, get your people to clear the aisles. We've got business to conduct here today at twelve noon, according to the Constitution, and we're not going to be late. .....So, let's clear the aisles. All those not entitled to the House floor, please clear the chambers. Please..... All assembled in these chambers, kindly give attention. Your attention, please."

Ed, Don: "The Secretary of State, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon, sends greetings and proclaims this day, the Second day of Wednesday.......January, 1977, is the day fixed for the convening of the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly, of the State of Illinois. Pursuant to Article IV, Section 5, of the Constitution, the Secretary of State will convene the House of Representatives at the hour
of twelve noon, pursuant to notice previously given.

Wherefore, all Representatives elect, to the 80th General Assembly, are requested to be in attendance in this Hall. All persons not entitled to the floor are kindly requested to clear the chamber. Will the provisional Doorkeepers see that the aisles are kept clear. Bud......all right...

The hour of twelve noon having arrived, our Secretary of State, the Honorable Alan J. Dixon is at the rostrum ready to begin these proceedings."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois will come to order. I am pleased to greet the Members-elect and their families on this occasion. I quote from the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, Article IV, Section 6 (b), quote: 'On the first day of the January Session of the General Assembly, in odd numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from its Membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer.' On this first day of the 80th Session, Ladies and Gentlemen, we will be led in prayer by Reverend Fred Cornell of the First Presbyterian Church of Belleville, Illinois, Ladies and Gentlemen, Reverend Cornell."

Reverend Cornell: "Let us pray. Almighty God, Ruler of all the Nations and King of the Universe, who prospers and raises empires and dashes them to pieces according to Your just and Holy purpose. We are mindful of Your great gifts of wealth and abundance upon the State of Illinois. We come for Your blessings, realizing our many sins and failures, our wanton evil and gross indifference to the poor. Therefore we pray Your forgiveness, repentant and contrite. Lord Almighty, we pray especially for these newly chosen Representatives who have been sent to rule over the lives of millions of Your people. Bless them, guide them and be with them in the many difficult decisions they must make.
Help them to care at least as much for the cries of the weak and the hungry as for the smiles of the influential and powerful. Help them not to presume upon or abuse their office and may those who seek the welfare of all before their own advantage, be doubly blessed. Free these Representatives from the temptation to grasp their office for the honor of its position, but enable them to hold the reigns of power firmly sensitive to that right and just path. And, finally, bless O Lord, our God, this glorious land, this America, this people of Illinois, that we may be a place of promise for every race of people and a people with cleanliness of life and dignity of person. Amen."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Ladies and Gentlemen, for the duration of the organizational proceedings, I've appointed the following provisional officers: For provisional Clerk, Don Ed. As provisional Doorkeeper, Joe Heckenkamp. As my provisional Parliamentarian, Herman Bodewes. The provisional Clerk will please call the Roll, of Members-elect, in the 80th General Assembly. The Roll will be called in alphabetical order, as certified by the State Board of Elections, with one change, the Secretary of State has received a letter from Representative-elect, Clyde L. Choate, of Union County, elected from the 59th Legislative District, declining to accept this office. The Secretary of State has also received an appointment from the Democratic Legislative Committee, of the 59th Legislative District, appointing William L. Harris, of Marion County, to the seat declined by Mr. Choate. The provisional Clerk ......that is Williamson County...... Marion, Illinois, Williamson County......It's an error in my .....The provisional Clerk will enter the name of William L. Harris, in the roll of Representatives-elect, and will strike the name of Clyde L. Choate. Members-elect will please answer 'present' and Mr. Provisional Clerk, will you please call the Roll?"

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Mr. Clerk, I have had an explanation from the Minority Leader, Mr. Ryan, and I'll explain that."
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Don Ed: "All present, Sir."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "One hundred and seventy-six Representatives-elect have answered the Roll as being in attendance...and a quorum is present. The House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly is officially convened. The following Representative-elect has not answered the Roll, is presently not in attendance, Mr. Deuster, and the Gentleman from Kankakee, Mr. Ryan has explained that Mr. Deuster, will be about two hours late, due to some problems with AMTRAK and I think, Mr. Clerk, you can presently ......(all those taking exception will be heard later....) Will you simply not note that in the Journal for now and, Mr. Ryan, would you let us know when Mr. Deuster shows up? Are there any further additions to the Attendance Roll? The provisional Clerk will enter the Attendance Roll in the Journal. Ladies and Gentlemen, I have the honor of presenting the Honorable Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, from the Fifth Judicial District, the Honorable Justice Joseph H. Goldenhersh, of Belleville, who will administer the Constitutional Oath of Office, following which each Member shall execute the written oath on his or her desk, to be filed in the Speaker's Office.

Mr. Justice Goldenhersh:"

Justice Joseph Goldenhersh: "Will the Ladies and Gentlemen of the House please stand? Raise your right hands....and repeat after me the following oath; I, and your respective names, do solemnly swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of Representative in the General Assembly, to the best of my ability."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Thank you Mr. Justice Goldenhersh. Ladies and Gentlemen, would you please.....May I have your attention, please? ......Ladies and Gentlemen, would you please sign those oaths and bring them down here to the

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front desk, to Mr. Don Ed. Can we do that right away? Just pass them down, will you? You can pass them to each end and we'll have some Clerks come by or bring them right here. That a boy...! You can gather them up right here."

Unknown: "Someone always wants to get into the picture."

Unknown: "You made me sign them all last time......Shall I go on or shall I go back into Shea's office and give 'em to... All right, why don't you give them to me. I'll go back in Jerry Shea's office and you bring them to me, will you?

Unknown: "Riccolo didn't object?"
Unknown: "No, not yet."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Ladies and Gentlemen, will all persons that......May I have your attention, please? Will all persons except Members and authorized staff now please withdraw from the chamber? Ladies and Gentlemen we must clear the floor for the election of the Speaker of the House. In order that the balloting may be conducted with order.....and so that the Chair and the Clerk can identify the Members voting. Mr. Doorkeeper, please clear the aisles. Ladies and Gentlemen, there is closed circuit television on the first floor, closed circuit television on the first floor in Rooms 114 and 118. Rooms 114 and 118 have closed circuit television. Mr. Doorkeeper, are we making some progress back there at the back of the hall? Will the Members please be in their seats so that we can see what kind of progress we're making here, Ladies and Gentlemen? Thanks, Lee. I believe, Mr. Doorkeeper, if you'd get the back aisles now and the front aisles...... we'd be ready to go here. Can we clear the back aisles and the front aisles ......and we'll proceed. Would the Members be in their seats, please! Members of the House. Would the Doorkeeper close the door? Ladies and Gentlemen, under Article IV, Section 6 (b) of the Constitution of this State, the first order of business of this House is the election from its Members of a Speaker as presiding officer.
The House is now governed by the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 79th General Assembly which were made applicable to these proceedings by Section III of an Act relating to the operation of the General Assembly and to repeal certain Acts therein; Approved July 7, 1967, as amended. Those Rules provide . . . . . .Lady and Gentlemen. . . . Those Rules provide and I quote, 'Ten minutes per Member for debate, one minute for explanation of vote for Members who have not previously spoken in debate on the point'. With the consent of the House I would limit nominating speeches to ten minutes and seconding speeches to five minutes. I would then permit three minutes debate time on the vote itself or one minute explanation of vote by any Member not previously having spoken on the Roll Call for the election of the Speaker. Is there consent of the House? Ladies and Gentlemen. . . . nominations are now in order for the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives. Ladies and Gentlemen the Secretary. . . . the Speaker recognizes the Gentleman from Lake, Representative John Matijevich and he is recognized to offer a nomination. Mr. John Matijevich.

Matijevich: "Mr. Secretary, I'll try to hold this to ten minutes. I never knew you to hold a speech to ten minutes in the Senate, Mr. Dixon, but I'll do my best. Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, in offering a name in nomination for the Office of Speaker of the House, Mr. Secretary, I should give this speech in the center of the aisles because the name I place in nomination, Bill Redmond belongs to both sides of the aisle. Mr. Secretary, two years ago we went through hell in picking a Speaker of the House. Some of you may or may not know that last year I introduced a Bill that would have mandated the Majority Party to come in with the requisite number of votes to elect a Speaker and mandate that they have those votes on the first day when we organize. I felt strongly that the Majority Party ought to, in one ballot, in one ballot
elect their Speaker because there are so many important matters that affect the people of the State of Illinois and that we ought to go on with the business of the State of Illinois. Some of you may also know, and I welcome the new Members here, they may not be aware of the fact that my name was placed in nomination two years ago by my good friend and colleague from Lake County, Dan Pierce. After the first ballot I was standing next to Dan Pierce and he said, 'John, when are you going to release me?'. And, I said, 'Dan, I don't know about you, but on this next ballot I am voting for Bill Redmond'. I made that choice because there were many Members who were nominated, there were others who weren't nominated that would have made good speakers, but I said to myself that of all the Members that were nominated, I felt that Bill Redmond represented the common, inner decency in a man that I thought we ought to have as a leader. I also felt that Bill Redmond represented what I have fought for for many years in this General Assembly. Bill Redmond runs a democratic House, small 'd', and I have always felt strongly that this House belongs to all of the Members of the House. It doesn't belong to the Republicans, it doesn't belong to the Democrats, it doesn't belong to the Speaker, it doesn't belong to the Speaker and the Minority Leader, it belongs to everybody. And, Bill Redmond typifies that democratic spirit in the way he operates the floor. Some of you may also know that I fight for the Rules of the House that they be enforced. I think some Republicans would stand here and say that very often I have fought for Republicans when they've been in the minority and when a Speaker has trampled over their rights. That Rule Book, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, is your Bill of Rights. With Bill Redmond as the Speaker, you have a 'Bill' of rights. You have a man who is fair. Sometimes I've chided Bill and I've said, I've said to him 'Bill, you ought to be firmer'. And, I've said to myself,
'We could have the choice of somebody who’s firm, but not fair'. I'll tell you, we've gone that route before. We need fairness above all. We need a gentleman who has demonstrated his fairness time and time again. The true measure of fairness, Mr. Secretary, is if we Democrats didn't say a word, if we Democrats didn't vote and the Republicans picked a Democrat over here based on fairness, who would they pick? They would pick Bill Redmond as Speaker of the House. I also say, Mr. Secretary, Bill Redmond chose to be Speaker of the House and no other office. He sought no other office. I think that's admirable. I feel strongly that when somebody runs for an office that's the office they ought to serve. I don't want anybody running for any office while he serves that particular office. We've had enough of that. I say also, Ladies and Gentlemen, you know my father passed away before I was in politics, but he often said to me, he said, 'John, if somebody speaks of honesty in themselves, you better put your hand on your wallet.....and look out'. I want to tell you I've never heard of Bill Redmond speak of honesty, he doesn't have to. Others speak of his honesty. I've heard Deacon Davis say it many times on the floor of the House, 'Ye shall know Him by His deeds'. He has said it many times. That's a fact. We all know Bill Redmond by his deeds. By what he does. I know when I voted for Bill Redmond as Speaker of the House that no more, no more would I see in the closing weeks of the Session a testimonial in honor of the Speaker which many of us thought was a legitimate shakedown. No more would I see that and I was right. We didn't see that. No more the lobbyists run the General Assembly; every Member of this House runs the General Assembly under Bill Redmond and that's the way it ought to be. I see no reason, no reason why we, Republicans and Democrats, should change the Leadership, should change the process that Bill Redmond has started. I say, Mr.
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Secretary, Mr. Speaker, I am proud to give a man...a man a leader for Illinois, a man for both sides of the aisle, I place in nomination, proudly...Speaker Bill Redmond for another term as Speaker.”

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The name of Representative Redmond of DuPage has been offered in nomination for Speaker. Is there a second to this nomination? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Tazewell, Representative Von Boeckman for a seconding nomination."

Von Boeckman: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, as John stated, we went through hell two years ago. I was one of those individuals that was on the opposition side of Bill Redmond. I want to say to each and every one of you that if we review the past record of the 79th General Assembly we can point it, not only to Bill Redmond, but to the other Leadership that we have on both Republican and Democrat side. I have known Bill Redmond for a great number of years. He is a man that you can trust. He is an honest man, a fair man, a man of high integrity. It is indeed a pleasure for me as a downstater to second the nomination of my good friend, Bill Redmond."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The nomination of Representative Redmond has been seconded. The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, the distinguished Deacon Davis for a seconding."

Davis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of this House, I rise to second this nomination. Men of strong faith sometimes are in doubt. I don’t believe a man ever lived, except God Almighty, that had more faith than John the Baptist. John the Baptist was the forerunner of the Master of the lowly Nazarene...and his mind was beset with doubt. Yeah, he was even a little closer than that, his mother was the cousin of the Holy Mary, and he had preached the Gospel of repentance. He said he wasn’t even worthy to unlash His shoes and yet there was doubt in his mind. So much so..."
that he sent two of his disciples to say to Him 'Are You the one that was sent?' There was no answer given to those men by the lowly Nazarene. He went on healing the sick, the lame walked, the blind could see, He went on doing good, and then finally He said, 'You go back and tell John the Baptist what you've seen'. Well, you talk about what happened in the last Session, thirty-eight times I nominated one of my closest friends, a man that I think as much of as any other man I've ever thought of, to be Speaker of this House. I nominated him because I had faith in him. I nominated him because he came from a town named Anna, Illinois, where there were no black people, none of my people. I nominated him because he, because he had walked through the swamp-infested jungles of the South Pacific, he had lived in foxholes with black boys and he came back here and came to this House and rose on this floor and spoke out for equal opportunity. And, for thirty-eight times I nominated him, we couldn't elect him. This is a democracy and the rules of the majority had to prevail. Not only that, but I said then on the floor of this House, that State government had to go on. Irrespective of me or anybody else. A man of blessed memory in Chicago that has done more for Chicago than any other man I know, was called the other day, and I revere his memory, but the City of Chicago had to go on. I've been here thirty-four years, and if God spares me to finish out this term I'll be here two more years, which will make thirty-six years. That's a long time. But, whether I'm here or not, this government must go on. I have compromised my fears and my doubts, I took my brothers in with me, compromised with emphasis on give and take is absolutely necessary. The opposite of compromise is despotic arbitrary tyranny, there is nothing wrong with power and compromise, they are fundamental aspects of a Democracy and this is exactly what we have
done here. Some of my own felt that we were being over-
looked and bypassed in this House. Some of my own came to
me with some problems, asked me some questions that I
could not answer. One of the questions was, 'Are you
really an Assistant Minority Leader, or are you just
something sitting up there all alone? What's going on?'

God Almighty I didn't know what was going on. Who's going
to be the..............I'd say, 'I can't tell you........
But, I'll tell you what I'll do, I'll take you to the man
who has the responsibility and I'll let that man tell you.'
I took them in all good grace to that man and that man is
the Speaker of the House, it's his responsibility and his
alone and he made a solemn commitment that everyone would
be treated fairly and squarely in this House. No one would
be overlooked and that if anyone was designated as a leader,
that designation meant that he would be a leader in all
aspects of it, not left out, not counted by his vote and then
discounted when it came to respecting him as a leader.
That's compromise. And, so that's all we have and I believe
that from the conduct of the Speaker of this House, that
his word will be kept. Now, finally, as a preacher, I'm
going to quote from a man I love. I'm going to quote
strictly from a man who used to quote it, that I love and
who's gone on into eternity. A man that I respected. The
only reason that I'm here is because the man put the heat
under me after I told the press I wasn't coming back here.
He said, 'Who told you you wasn't coming back here? We'd be
ashamed of you if you ran off from that '....He knew what to
say. I really don't believe he believed in men retiring.
But, thank God he has gone on to the great beyond now and
I have myself to live with and God in Heaven knows that
as tired as I am and my wife is sitting up there, Honey,
this is my last......go....around. You can believe it.
Because there is nobody (unintelligible) ...with this House.
Now, finally, Ladies and Gentlemen of this House, his
Honor, Mayor Daley, used to say to me, 'I like to hear you quote that.' And, I'm going to quote it to you out of respect for his memory. It comes from the prophet, Micah, 'I have shown you, O man, what is good. What does the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.' And, this is what I'm saying to the man whose nomination I second, the Honorable William Redmond, for Speaker of this House. 'Do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.'"

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Madison, Representative Don Sharp."

Sharp: "Mr. Chairman, Members of the 80th General Assembly, it's an honor and privilege to rise and second the nomination of William Redmond as Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives. Two years ago, like many other Members present here today, I went through the record balloting for Speaker of the House. I supported William Redmond because of a firm belief that he would be a fair speaker, that he would treat all Members equally and because he was an honest man. I also felt that as Speaker of the House, there would be no geographical preference when it came to issues pertaining to the State of Illinois. I must admit that there was several days I went home and there were messages waiting for me, people from my area and from Southern Illinois wanting to talk to me about the decision that I made on the Speakership. Somehow they couldn't quite understand why a man from Southern Illinois would be supporting a man from the northern part of the State. I pointed out to these people that...yeah, it was important to take into consideration the regional consideration, but more importantly was the integrity of the man and that's why I was supporting Bill Redmond. And, much to my delight when candidate Redmond became Speaker Redmond, he quickly proved himself as a capable leader. He treated all the Members fairly. He treated all the Membership equally and
more importantly he allowed the Membership of the House of Representatives to make the decisions collectively; and that's what this General Assembly is all about, collective decisions by the Membership. If we made mistakes, we had no one to blame but ourself. And, I think that's what we have to take into consideration here today. There are other people, I am sure that are capable of being Speaker, but we have a man here who has proven himself an able, a capable leader. That's why I am proud to second the nomination of William Redmond. Thank you."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Jim Houlihan is recognized."

Houlihan: "Mr. Chairman and Members of the 80th General Assembly, I also rise to second the nomination of Bill Redmond. All of us have stood election and all of us have been told by the people who voted for us and by our entire district to do a job. In fact, I would suggest that the people in each of our districts and probably rightfully so, feel strongly that maybe we could be the leader, the Speaker of the Illinois House. I think there is a lot of truth to that, that each Member here has the ability, if we can give him the trust, to lead us in this General Assembly. After last year's balloting, last Session's balloting, we put our trust in Bill Redmond.....and he certainly did not disappoint us. He never used his office for his own personal agenda. He was a man who was fair, who was decent, and probably above all he respected the fact that we were different. He respected the fact that our constituencies all called for different agendas and he was able to give us the trust in ourselves, the willingness to compromise, to work towards consensus and I think he has led us to a new respect for the word 'compromise'. He has led us and taught us in a very strong way to respect ourselves. He has said, when all others were telling us that politicians were low on the list of respect, he was the first to stand-
up and say 'Members of the 79th General Assembly, respect yourselves, treat yourselves with decency and only then will you be able to do a job for the people that you represent.' I think Bill Redmond and his election will give us an opportunity in the 80th General Assembly, an opportunity to solve some of the difficult questions which we face; and I would suggest to you that we have a great opportunity, after we elect Bill Redmond, because Bill Redmond has the confidence in us to share power. He has the confidence in us to ask us to provide direction. He has the respect for each of us and the people we represent to share his authority and ask us to form a public policy which best serves all of the people of Illinois and I am proud to second the nomination of William Redmond.'

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Woods Bowman."

Bowman: "Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the 80th General Assembly, I am honored to rise to second the nomination of William Redmond as Speaker of this House. I am a freshman as everyone in this House either is or has been at one time and you all know that freshmen have special problems. We don't know the procedures, but most importantly we don't know the people with whom we will be dealing. I think that I've been impressed with Bill Redmond's interest in us. I have been impressed with his many gestures, as sending the mail to us to tell us of his stewardship of this House.

I feel very fortunate to be a Member of the 80th General Assembly following two years of Bill Redmond's stewardship. Also, I was very fortunate to have an appointment with Bill Redmond shortly before the Veto Override Session of November. I called up and asked if I could come out and meet with him. He was going on vacation the next day but said, 'Why don't you come on out this evening?' I did. He was busy cleaning up his affairs and getting ready to go on an extended vacation. But, he took an hour and a half of his..."
time. I think that speaks exceptionally well for the man. I think that he stands ready to help all of us freshmen, if only we will ask him. I think that he deserves our trust and our confidence. I have seen him from the galleries, in the rostrum......many......many times and I too know him to be a fair man. And....that is something that freshmen also have a particular interest in and so I am very honored to support Bill Redmond for Speaker of this House and I urge an affirmative Roll Call on his nomination. Thank you."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Christian County, Representative Rolland Tipsword."

Tipsword: "Mr. Secretary of State and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we have a very diverse State. We have a big State. A State that differs in its interests, in its economic interests, in its social interests, throughout its length and its breadth. We have people from large metropolitan and urban areas, from rural areas, from small towns, from medium sized cities, from industrial areas, from agricultural communities and consequently our interests vary greatly as you travel throughout this State. As we come here to this House we represent hopefully the interests that each of those various districts that we come from may encompass. I am pleased to stand before this House today and tell you that although we have these diversities, in the last several days and in the last few hours I have been convinced and impressed that the present Speaker of the House of Representatives has certainly done his best to try to understand the problems that arise in all of our various districts and the special problems each of us face in the constituencies that we represent......and has made a very valiant effort to my knowledge to try to bring unity and understanding to all of us from the various areas of this great State of Illinois. Consequently, therefore, I am very pleased that I now have the opportunity to stand before you to second the nomination of Bill Redmond for
Speaker of this House and I wish Bill Redmond the very best as he guides us through this very difficult two year period that we have ahead and I hope to God that we face only one ballot in this House. Thank you."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Members of the House, I am honored to introduce to the House the Comptroller of this State, Michael J. Bakalis........The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Bus Yourell."

Yourell: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I rise on this occasion, the convening of the 80th Session of the General Assembly, with privilege and honor to second the nomination of our good friend, Bill Redmond. It was just two years ago, this date, that I had a similar privilege and honor of seconding the nomination of our good friend Clyde Choate. Most of you who are sitting here today recall the difficult days that we faced two years ago....and that finally, Members of the Republican side of this House had to cast votes to accomplish a fact that we as Democrats, who have the majority, should have been able to do. Two years ago we had a majority of 101 Members. Today, we enjoy somewhat less than that majority, with 94 Members. As you know it took 93 ballots to accomplish the task of electing a Speaker, to not only lead this House, but to represent the best interests of everyone in this House. I stuck with Clyde Choate for eighty some ballots and then I switched to Bill Redmond and the confidence and trust that each of you who voted for Bill Redmond, two years ago as our Speaker, cannot deny the fact that he has represented the best interest of each and everyone of us in these two long hard years. There never has been a time when the Speaker of this House did not come into the State of Illinois and talk to each of your constituents, had you asked him. There never was a time in that office back there that any of you had the occasion to enter the door and be refused an audience. And, with 94 votes today, I pray that each Democrat will case one vote.
and that one vote will be for Bill Redmond, and it will be by acclamation and we can get on with the business of running the State of Illinois... the business and the tasks that we have ahead of us in the next two years. I am delighted, privileged and honored to second the nomination of my dear friend, Bill Redmond."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "For the last seconding speech, the Lady from Cook, Eugenia Chapman."

Chapman: "Mr. Secretary and Members of the House, it's a pleasure for me today, as one of that small number who said 'aye' on that first ballot when Mr. Redmond's name was called two years ago; it's a pleasure for me to rise to second his name as it's been placed in nomination today. He will continue to be the Speaker for the whole House. As a suburbanite during the years I have been here, however, I have been concerned about seeing suburban needs met. Our problems are complex. They relate to such things as water management and transportation and zonings and education; it sometimes seemed to me that while we looked very carefully at the problems of downstate and Chicago that sometimes we needed to give more attention to our growing suburban areas. Therefore, it's a great pleasure to me to second the nomination of a suburban Speaker, as well as the Speaker for the entire State, William Redmond."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Are there any further nominations for the office of Speaker of the House of Representatives? The Chair recognizes the Gentleman from Cook, Representative Peter Peters."

Peters: "Mr. Secretary and Ladies and Gentlemen of the 80th General Assembly, I am proud, on this side of the aisle, to rise and to nominate for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives, our good and close friend, Representative George Ryan. Representative Ryan is known to all of you by his service here these last years. He has the experience and the background necessary for the
leadership in this Body. He has served in local government prior to being elected in the General Assembly. He understands the problems faced by our local communities. He is a successful business man. He brings successful management talents to his service here in the Assembly. He is a dedicated family man with an understanding and respect for those institutions, values and traditions of family life that are so important in our society. He has been active in many community organizations in his home town of Kankakee and continues to retain his tie to the community. Ties that are crucial for any Legislator who wishes to keep his finger on the pulse and attitude of the people he represents. George Ryan's background, in my estimation, contains everything that is important for this most responsible kind of post. Mr. Secretary and Ladies and Gentlemen of this Assembly, if we think back these last four years what great changes, what great changes we have met in this State of Illinois, a Republican Governor lost, a Democratic Governor won, a Democratic Governor lost, a Republican Governor won. We elected a new Governor, a new Lieutenant Governor, a new Comptroller and a new Secretary of State and the Governor of this State won by something over a million votes and you, Mr. Secretary.....and you, Mr. Secretary likewise won by over a million votes. I think those victories, one Democrat and one Republican, by such an outstanding majority, should give all of us pause. ..pause to think about what our constituents and the people of this State are really thinking about. The new kind of ideas, the new kind of attitudes and the new kinds of approaches that they are going to demand to our problems. As said earlier, the problems of our State need bipartisan solutions. We need a man, as Speaker, who understands that. There are no Republican or Democratic solutions to the problems of education or public aid or corrections or law and order or any other problems we face. There are no
liberal or conservative answers to all of the problems that we face. There is no group, no interest, no section of the State, no particular political party or no wing of either party......no wing of either party that should have......that should have the priority, concern and consideration of the Members of this General Assembly. We need new ideas, both programs, imaginative ideas, if we in fact are to do what the people of this State elected us to do. We need the men who understand the need for those new kind of ideas. In my estimation, George Ryan is one of those kind of men who understands the need for new things.....who is not afraid of change, but at the same time.....at the same time, who understands the practicalities of our life, who is pragmatic and who understands that it is best sometimes to take one step forward than to lose everything. George Ryan is concerned with this House. He is not a candidate for any other office. He is a candidate for Speaker of the House. He has pledged and will serve not one side of the aisle, but both sides. Not one philosophical concept but all ideas. Not one section of the State but all sections of the State. As we all well know, Mr. Secretary and Ladies and Gentlemen of this Assembly, politics is the art of compromising various conflicting interests and there are those who would suggest that this art of compromising somehow.....somehow is something that we should not be engaging in. It is something that somehow is not accepted in today's society, but you and I know and all of us..... who are involved daily in politics know, that the only way government can work in a pluralistic society as we have and a democratic society we have, is to compromise interests of everyone who is concerned about what is going on in government today..... and George Ryan has that interest, George Ryan has that concern, he has that affection for this Assembly, he has
that respect and concern for the people of the State of Illinois. Mr. Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of this Assembly, I proudly place in nomination the name of George Ryan of Kankakee, for the office of Speaker of the House."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The name of Representative Ryan has been offered in nomination for Speaker. Is there a second to this nomination? The Lady from Adams, Mary Lou Kent is recognized."

Kent: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Members of the 80th General Assembly. I am honored to second the nomination of George Ryan as Speaker of the House. Without repeating what Representative Peters has said about Representative Ryan's leadership capacity, his experience, his background and his strong dedication to good government. I would like to make a few brief remarks about this outstanding man. I have known George Ryan and have worked with him closely in this Body for the past four years. Working with him on the Appropriations Committee, I have come to respect his ability and dedication and his great personal characteristics of fairness and integrity. He brings to public office a strong desire to do what is right, to make Illinois State Government the best government possible. George Ryan's personal integrity is unquestioned. He is a man I have been proud to work with. He is a man we can all be proud to have as our leader. George Ryan brings to this General Assembly an expertise in business. That expertise, combined with the knowledge and experience he has gained through his service as co-spokesman of one of our appropriations Committees, will serve all of us well, as we consider the State's serious financial problems. The State's fiscal picture is certainly one of the most important issues which will face this 80th General Assembly and I believe that point is important enough that we should say it over and over
again. We must be fiscally responsible. The people of Illinois deserve that and expect that from us. George Ryan understands state government. His knowledge of the budget process is unsurpassed. His goal of providing the best government possible for all the people of this State is one that we can all agree with and we can all support him as he pursues that honorable goal. George Ryan is a man who works well with the people of this State from the Northern border near Wisconsin to the deep Southern Illinois, from the Mississippi River and my home of Western Illinois; east to the Indiana border. He understands the many diverse regions and the needs of the people of this State, but George Ryan also understands that despite regional, political or other differences, the people of this State are united in their desire for honest, open, fair, competent and efficient government in Illinois. I believe George Ryan, as leader of this Chamber, can live up to those expectations. I proudly second the nomination for Speaker of the House of Representatives, a man of great ability and a close personal friend, George Ryan."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Gentleman from Marion, Representative Dwight Friedrich, is recognized."

Friedrich: "Mr. Secretary and Members of the House, I'm happy to have the opportunity to second the nomination of George H. Ryan to the office of Speaker of this House. I would point out to you that George was chosen by unanimous ballot of the 83 Republicans on this side of the aisle and in doing that we took into consideration the qualifications of George Ryan. Before George started his career he prepared himself by education. He has a degree from Ferris State University. George has, also, other qualities which I'd like to call to your attention and I think this is a very important one. George is a successful business man. I think that is really important
because Illinois is the biggest business in this State. We've got a ten billion dollar budget and I don't know whether you know how much that is or not? It's almost astronomical to me but it means forty million dollars a day to run this State and we need some business expertise involved in the Leadership. As has been pointed out to you, George is an experienced Legislator. The legislative process is complicated and I don't know any place in the world where know-how is more important than it is here and certainly George's experience in these last two years as spokesman of the House Appropriations Committee, where he.....and I know you've heard him on the floor and those of you who saw him in the Committee, he is very familiar with all of the departments of State government, their financing and so on. At a time when the State is facing a financial crisis we need a man who knows the political process and the appropriations process and the needs of the State. But last but not least, George Ryan is a man of integrity and I don't know of any time or any place where that is more important. George Ryan in the first place is not for sale. George Ryan can withstand the pressures of people who do not agree with him when he knows he is right, and that includes not only people on the other side of the aisle and on this side of the aisle, but pressures from the outside of those who urge him to do things which is not right. Last but not least, one of the things that I value very highly in any Legislator and particularly in the Leadership, George Ryan is a man of his word. I wouldn't give you a nickel for a man who would make a commitment to you and not keep his commitment, or who vacillates and so on, but George Ryan is a man of his word and that is important, particularly in the Leadership of this House. For qualities of Leadership, preparation, experience and integrity I recommend George Ryan to you without reservation
and am very proud to have the opportunity of seconding the nomination."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Gentleman from Cook, Representative Gaines is recognized."

Gaines: "Thank you, Mr. Secretary. I wish to rise to second the nomination of a very distinguished colleague. Two years ago when I arrived I didn't know very many people on the Republican side of the aisle. I knew a couple that I had been active with in Young Republicans some twenty years before, but one of the Gentlemen who took me under his wing was George Ryan. He helped explain to me what various Bills meant and he'd come over and say, 'Charlie, this means this. If it won't hurt you in your district I'd like your vote, but if it will hurt you, forget it'. He was very fair and when the ugly head of the klan rose in Illinois, he introduced a Resolution to ferret it out. George Ryan has the capability, the experience and compassion and good judgment to be Speaker of this House;...and, therefore, I'm very happy to second the nomination of George Ryan."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Are there any further nominations for the Office of Speaker of the House of Representatives? .....There being no further nominations offered from the floor.....nominations for the Office of Speaker are declared closed by the Chair. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the nominees for the Office of Speaker are, Representative Redmond and Representative Ryan. The provisional Clerk will call the Roll of Members of the House of Representatives. Each Member will orally cast his vote. Now let me read one announcement before we get to the Roll Call, Ladies and Gentlemen. May I have your attention? Beginning at 1:30 Barbara Clark will be in Representative Don Brummet's office to help Members with deductions, insurance forms and things of that character. Also, the new Members are advised that your mail is being
held in the Post Office in the State Office Building.
The nominees for Speakers are Representative Redmond and
Representative Ryan. Each Member will orally cast his
vote. Mr. Clerk, you will now call the Roll."

Ed, Don: "Abramson, Abramson; Ryan. Adams, Adams; Ryan.
Anderson, Anderson; Ryan. Antonoyvych, Antonoyvych; Ryan.
E. M. Barnes, E. M. Barnes; Redmond. Jane Barnes, Jane
Barnes; Ryan. Bartulis, Bartulis; Ryan. Beatty, Beatty;
Redmond. Bennett, Bennett; Ryan. Birchler, Birchler;
Redmond. Bluthardt, Bluthardt; Ryan. Boucek, Boucek;
Ryan. Bowman, Bowman; Redmond. Bradley, Bradley; Redmond.
Brady, Brady; Redmond. Brandt, Brandt; Redmond. Breslin,
Breslin; Redmond. Rich Brummer, Rich Brummer; Redmond.
Don Brummet, Don Brummet; Redmond. Byers, Byers; Redmond.
Caldwell, Caldwell; Redmond. Campbell, Campbell; Ryan.
Capparelli, Capparelli; Redmond. Catania, Catania; Ryan.
Chapman, Chapman; Redmond. Christensen, Christensen;
Redmond. Collins, Collins; Ryan. Conti, Conti; Ryan.
Cunningham, Cunningham; Ryan. Daniels, Daniels; Ryan.
Darrow, Darrow; Redmond. Corneal Davis, Corneal Davis;
Redmond. Jack Davis, Jack Davis; Ryan. Dawson, Dawson;
Redmond. Deavers, Deavers; Ryan. Deuster, Deuster;
absent. DiPrima, DiPrima; Redmond. Domico, Domico;
Redmond. Doyle, Doyle; Redmond. John Dunn, John Dunn;
Redmond. Ralph Dunn, Ralph Dunn; Ryan. Dyer, Dyer; Ryan
Ebbesen, Ebbesen; Ryan. Edgar, Edgar; Ryan. Epton,
Epton; Ryan. Ewell, Ewell; Redmond. Ewing, Ewing; Ryan.
Farley, Farley; Redmond. Flinn, Flinn; Redmond. Friedland,
Friedland; Ryan. Friedrich, Friedrich; Ryan. Gaines,
Gaines; Ryan. Garmisa, Garmisa; Redmond. Geo-Karis,
Geo-Karis; Ryan. Getty, Getty; Redmond. Giglio, Giglio;
Redmond. Giorgi, Giorgi; Redmond. Greiman, Greiman;
Redmond. Griesheimer, Griesheimer; Ryan. Hanahan, Hanahan;
Redmond. Harris, Harris; Redmond. Hart, Hart; Redmond.
Hoffman, Hoffman; Ryan. Holewinski, Holewinski; Redmond.
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Dan Houlihan; Redmond. J. M. Houlihan; Redmond. Hoxsey; Redmond. J. M. Houlihan; Redmond. Hoxsey; Redmond. Jaffe; Redmond. Hudson; Ryan. Huff; Redmond. Huskey; Redmond. Huff; Redmond. Hoxsey; Redmond. Huff; Redmond. Hoxsey; Redmond. Huff; Redmond. Jaffe; Redmond. Johnson; Johnson; Ryan. Dave Jones; Dave Jones; Ryan. Emil Jones; Emil Jones; Ryan. Redmond!...Speak up, please........ Kane; Kane; Redmond. Katz; Katz; Redmond. Keats; Keats; Ryan. Kelly; Kelly; Redmond. Kempiners, Kempiners; Ryan. Kent; Kent; Ryan. Klosak; Klosak; Ryan. Kornowicz, Kornowicz; Redmond. Kosinski; Kosinski; Redmond. Kozobowski; Kozobowski; Redmond. Kucharski; Kucharski; Ryan. Lauer; Lauer; Ryan. Laurino; Laurino; Redmond. Lechowicz; Lechowicz; Redmond. Leinenweber; Leinenweber; Ryan. Leverenz; Leverenz; Redmond. Levin; Levin; Redmond. Lucco; Lucco; Redmond. Luft; Luft; Redmond. Macdonald; Macdonald; Ryan. Madigan; Madigan; Redmond. Madison; Madison; Redmond. Mahar; Mahar; Ryan. Mann; Mann; Redmond. Marovitz; Marovitz; Redmond. Lynn Martin; Lynn Martin; Ryan. Peggy Martin; Peggy Martin; Redmond. Matejek; Matejek; Redmond. Matijevich; Matijevich; Redmond. Mautino; Mautino; Redmond. Meyer; Meyer; Ryan. Miller; Miller; Ryan. Molloy; Molloy; Ryan. Mudd; Mudd; Mudd; Redmond. Mugalian; Mugalian; Redmond. Mulcahey; Mulcahey; Redmond. Murphy; Murphy; Redmond. McAuliffe; McAuliffe; Ryan. McAvoy; McAvoy; Ryan. McBroom; McBroom; Ryan. McClain; McClain; Redmond. McCourt; McCourt; Ryan. McGraw; McGraw; Redmond. McLendon; McLendon; Redmond. McMaster; McMaster; Ryan. McPike; McPike; Redmond. Nardulli; Nardulli; Redmond. Neff; Neff; Ryan. O'Brien; O'Brien; Redmond. O'Daniel; O'Daniel; Redmond. O'Daniel; Redmond. Peckous; Peckous; Redmond. Peters; Peters; Ryan. Pierce; Pierce; Redmond. Polk; Polk; Ryan Porter; Porter; Ryan. Pouncey; Pouncey; Redmond. Pullen; Pullen; Ryan. Redmond; Redmond; Ryan. Reed; Reed; Ryan. Reilly; Reilly; Ryan. Richmond; Richmond; Redmond. Rigney.
Rigney; Ryan. Robinson, Robinson; Redmond. Ryan, Ryan; Redmond. Sandquist, Sandquist; Ryan. Satterthwaite, Satterthwaite; Redmond. Schisler, Schisler; Redmond. Schlickman, Schlickman; Ryan. Schneider, Schneider; Redmond. Schoeberlein, Schoeberlein; Ryan. Schuneman, Schuneman; Ryan. Sevcik, Sevcik; Ryan. Sharp, Sharp; Redmond. Shumpert, Shumpert; Redmond. Simms, Simms; Ryan. Skinner, Skinner; Ryan. Stanley, Stanley; Ryan. Stearney, Stearney; Ryan. Steczo, Steczo; Redmond. E. G. Steele, E. G. Steele; Ryan. C. M. Stiehl, C. M. Stiehl; Ryan. Stuffie, Stuffie; Redmond. Sumner, Sumner; Ryan. Taylor, Taylor; Redmond. Telcser, Telcser; Ryan. Terzich, Terzich; Redmond. Tipsword, Tipsword; Redmond. Totten, Totten; Ryan. Tuerk, Tuerk; Ryan. Van Duyne, Van Duyne; Redmond. Vitke, Vitke; Redmond. Von Boeckman, Von Boeckman; ......"

Unknown: "Wishes recognition..."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "The Gentleman from Tazewell..."

Von Boeckman: ".....Pleasure ....that I cast the 89th vote to the next Speaker of the House, Bill Redmond."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Continue with the Roll Call."

Ed, Don: "Von Boeckman; Redmond. Waddell, Waddell; Ryan. Wall, Wall; Ryan. Walsh, Walsh; Ryan. Wikoff, Wikoff; Ryan. Willer, Willer; Redmond. Williams, Williams; Redmond. Winchester, Winchester; Ryan. Wolf, Wolf; Ryan. Younge, Younge; Redmond. Yourell, Yourell; Redmond."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Now, Members of the House, before the vote is announced, may I have leave of the House, if it will not change the result, and you are advised it will not; to enter onto the Roll, on behalf of Representative Ryan, the name of Representative Deuster, should he arrive later this afternoon and be sworn in."

Members: "Leave..."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Leave is granted. I also want to indulge the privilege of the Chair, before yielding it, to
introduce a dear friend of an adult lifetime, who was
the power in the House and Senate when I was a 23 year
old kid and came here 26 years ago. A man who was
always gentle and kind to the Minority, when we were a
minority and the young folks trying to find their way
around, a very dear friend, a decent guy, Senator Art
Bidwell."

Senator Bidwell: "Mr. Secretary......and Bill, Mr. Speaker,
Bill. Congratulations, William, you deserve it. Well
done. Gee, it's wonderful to see all your smiling faces.
Keep them that way because you know and I know there are
going to be trying times around. Good luck and good
health to all of you. Thanks very much."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "On the Roll Call for the election of
Speaker, there are 93 votes for Representative Redmond,
with the addition of Representative Deuster, when he
arrives, 83 votes for Representative Ryan. Representative
Redmond, having received 93 votes cast in the Roll Call,
is elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of
the 80th General Assembly. I want to ..... correction
94 votes......he voted for himself. Ha....Ha....Ha.....

Members of the House, with the consent of the House, I'll
appoint a nine Member-elect Committee, based on seniority
to constitute an honor Committee to escort the Speaker-
elect to the rostrum to take the Constitutional oath.
Now, I want to ask them not to bring the Speaker down
here yet because his wife is coming down here and she'll
be here in a moment. Is there leave of the House for me
to appoint this Committee based on seniority?"

Members: "Leave."

Honorable Alan J. Dixon: "Leave being granted, I'll appoint the
following to the Committee of Escort: Representative
Corneal Davis, Representative Benedict Carmisa, Represen-
tative Lawrence DiPrima, Representative Eugenia Chapman,
Representative Robert E. Mann, Representative Walter
McAvo, Representative William D. Walsh, Representative Dwight P. Friedrich, Representative Clarence E. Neff.

Will the Committee of Honor retire to the seat of Representative Redmond to escort him to the rostrum? Ladies and Gentlemen, the Speaker's wife, Mrs. Redmond, and his family are here on the podium. Will the Committee escort Speaker Redmond to the rostrum? .........Get the door open there........ Members of the House, to administer the Constitutional Oath to the Speaker-elect, I have the honor of presenting to this House, a Notary Public and a distinguished librarian. As a librarian, she has made significant contributions to her profession and to the quality of research and library services available, not only to this General Assembly, but to the people of this State who do research into legislative history. She is also the daughter of your Speaker-elect. I'm honored to present Mary Redmond to administer the oath to Speaker-elect, William A. Redmond."

Redmond, Mary: "Raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, William A. Redmond."

Redmond, William A.: "I, William A. Redmond..."

Redmond, Mary: "...do solemnly swear..."

Redmond, William A.: "...do solemnly swear..."

Redmond, Mary: "...that I will support the Constitution of the United States..."

Redmond, William A.: "...that I will support the Constitution of the United States..."

Redmond, Mary: "...and the Constitution of the State of Illinois."

Redmond, William A.: "...and the Constitution of the State of Illinois..."

Redmond, Mary: "...and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly..."

Redmond, William A.: "...and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly..."
Redmond, Mary: "...to the best of my ability."

Redmond, William A.: "...to the best of my ability."

Speaker Redmond: "Mr. Secretary of State, my wife, two daughters, the one that administered the Oath is my daughter Mary and the other young lady up here is my daughter Colleen who is a newspaper reporter from the Press Publications which may give you some idea of why I don't consider the Press my enemy. You notice that I carry to the podium a red rose and in the language of the flowers, the red rose means 'love'...and that's what I have in my heart toward you people and to all that made this wonderful day possible......... You know, when I looked at the table of seniority it came as a shock to me to see that I was second in seniority in the Democratic side, second only to my dear friend, Corneal Davis....and third with Dave McAvoy. It seems but yesterday when I came here first and I've been here 18 years. I've enjoyed every moment of it. I guess it may be platitudinous to say that there really is only one state, but in my heart that's the way I feel it is. Is one state, one people, we share problems and hopefully the 80th General Assembly we will be able to have the opportunity to share some solutions. Obviously we have very difficult problems. We have problems of finance, and I have always said that I think, by far, the most significant problem that is facing the people, not only of Illinois, but of the nation and probably the world, is the solution of the problem of poverty. I think that many of the problems which confront us, crime and all the rest of them, I think, have stemmed from the fact that there are too many people that are unable to be employed. There are too many people that have to look for support other than gainful work. I think we have a very serious problem along those lines and I hope that we can have some solution. Obviously we have difficulties
with funding our schools adequately. We have problems with respect to trying to have some kind of a sensible energy program. So we have a lot to do; and all I can say to you is that you'll have my help. I am not foolish enough to think that because I have been elected Speaker I have been gifted with great wisdom. I hope I have the wisdom to call upon you people, to tap on your resources and your expertise. I'm always ready and willing to help you. I hope that you are ready and willing to help me. I happen to believe that the General Assembly is a Body of distinguished men and women and I sometimes feel that we aren't outspoken enough in defending ourself. I will continue to speak out in the future. I think you are the greatest people in the world and I may say that as a demonstration of your great wisdom....... you elected me Speaker of the House.....Thank you...... Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you much, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. First, my heartiest congratulations to you, Mr. Speaker, and I certainly look forward to the next two years of cooperation and in an effort to solve the State's problems and working with you. Knowing your past record and your excellence in that job over the last two years I see no reason that we can't work in that direction; and I know that we will be able to do so. I also speak for the other 82 Republicans here and we stand ready and willing to give of our resources and time to meet that end of solving the problems of the State of Illinois. Again my congratulations to you and your family. Secondly, I would like to thank Secretary Dixon. Although he didn't earn his money quite as much as the last Secretary did two years ago, I must congratulate him also for the fine job he did on wrapping this up in one ballot and Alan, again, we as Republicans stand united to help you with anything we can and thanks again.
for your help."

Speaker Redmond: "Will the Committee of Escort previously
appointed to escort the Speaker-elect assemble at the
rostrum to escort the Honorable Alan Dixon, Secretary of
State from the chamber? Thank you very much, Mr. Sec-
etary, for your services.......The Gentleman from
Henderson County, Representative Neff, temporary Chair-
man of the House of Republican caucus is recognized.
Representative Neff."

Neff: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to have the Clerk
.....the Acting Clerk now read the Designation of the
.....for Minority Leader.....Report that he has on his
desk."

Speaker Redmond: "Mr. Clerk."

Ed, Don: "Yes, Representative Neff. Designation of Minority
Leader. Pursuant to the organization of the House of
Representatives of the 80th General Assembly, and in
conformance with Article IV, Section 6 (c), of the
Constitution of the State of Illinois, the Members of
this House who are members of the Republican Party, the
numerically strongest political party, other than the
party to which the Speaker belongs, have selected Rep-
resentative George H. Ryan, Senior, of the 43rd Leg-
islative District, Kankakee County, as Minority Leader of
the House of Representatives for the term of the 80th
General Assembly, at the Republican Party caucus held on
Tuesday, December 7, 1976, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock,
p.m., at the Holiday Inn East, Springfield, Illinois.
Signed, Clarence E. Neff, Temporary Chairman of the
Committee."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there objection to the designation of Mr.
Ryan as the Minority Leader of the House? Hearing no
objection, the designation will be entitled.....will be
entered in the Journal for the record. Next order of
business is the election of the Chief Clerk. Representative
Hart: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, House Resolution 1 provides for the election of John F. O'Brien as Chief Clerk of the House, Fred B. Selccke as the Assistant Clerk of the House, and Mr. Emery Koehler as Doorkeeper of the House. I move for the adoption of House Resolution 1. After the Rules are suspended. First I move to suspend the Rules for the immediate consideration of House Resolution 1."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there a discussion? Is there leave to use the Attendance Roll Call on the suspension of the Rule?"

Members: "Leave."

Speaker Redmond: "Hearing no objection the Rule is suspended and the Attendance Roll Call will be journalized. Mr. Clerk.....Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Ed, Don: "House Resolution 1, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that the following offices are hereby elected for a term of the 80th General Assembly. Mr. John F. O'Brien as Chief Clerk of the House, Mr. Fred B. Selccke as Assistant Clerk of the House, and Mr. Emery Koehler, as Doorkeeper of the House."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan, do you care to ...." Ryan: "Yes, I rise in support of the motion and make a second, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any further discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion. All in favor say 'aye'; opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it. The motion carries. The Chair declares that John F. O'Brien is elected as Chief Clerk for the 80th Session of the General Assembly and Fred B. Selccke is declared elected Assistant Clerk for the 80th Session of the General Assembly. Mr. Emery Koehler is declared elected as Doorkeeper of the House for the 80th General Assembly. Do these Gentlemen accept.
the Office to which they've been elected?"

Unknown: "They indicate they do accept."

Speaker Redmond: "I'd like to call your attention to the fact that last Monday, when the other State Officials were inaugurated, there were many receptions given in honor of the elected officials. I figured that we have a ....... three equal branches of government so I contacted the St. Nicholas Hotel and suggested that they have a reception for the General Assembly tonight; and they are having one from five o'clock 'til nine o'clock. We have invited all of the Constitutional Officers and thus far Governor Thompson, Lieutenant Governor O'Neal, Attorney General Scott and Comptroller Bakalis has accepted and I believe they will be there at roughly six o'clock. At the St. Nicholas Hotel. It's cash bar and free hors d'oeuvres and music and ... Adeline is going to sing Happy Birthday. The Order of Resolutions, Representative Hart is recognized."

Hart: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, the next House Resolution provides that Representative Taylor Pouncey, from the 26th District, be seated as a Democrat in the 80th General Assembly. I move at this time for the suspension of the Rule for the immediate consideration of House Resolution seating Taylor Pouncey....#2...seating Representative Pouncey in the Democratic Membership."

Speaker Redmond: "The Gentleman has moved for the suspension of the Rule and immediate consideration of the House Resolution. Is there any objection? Hearing no objections, all in favor of the immediate consideration and adoption of the Resolution vote 'aye'. Opposed 'no'........Representative Hart."

Hart: "I think it would be in order if the Clerk would read the Resolution. I summarized it but I don't believe it's been read."

Speaker Redmond: "Mr. Clerk, will you read the Resolution? We'll back up on the Roll."

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Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #2. Be it resolved, by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that the Honorable Taylor Pouncey, Representative from the 26th Legislative District, with his concurrence, be seated on the Democratic Party side of the House of Representatives and be recognized, treated in deed, for all purposes of law, parliamentary practice and Legislative procedure, under the Constitution and the Legislative Rules as a Member of the Democratic Party for the term of the 80th General Assembly, notwithstanding his election as an Independent, without benefit of party label."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is on the Gentleman's motion. All in favor say 'aye', 'aye'......opposed 'no'......the 'ayes' have it. The motion is adopted. Representative Taylor Pouncey."

Pouncey: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of this House, it it indeed a privilege and a pleasure to stand here today at the convening of the 80th General Assembly, to be sworn in on the Democratic side of the aisle. As a truly Independent I didn't have any other place to go and I'm glad to be aboard. Thank you, Sir."

Speaker Redmond: "Further Resolutions? Representative Hart."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #3. Be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that the Clerk notify the Senate that the House is organized by the election of a Speaker and Clerk and other permanent officers and is now ready to proceed with the business of the Session."

Hart: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I move for the suspension of the Rule for the immediate consideration of House Resolution #3."

Speaker Redmond: "Are there any objections? Any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have
it and the motion is adopted. Now the question is on the adoption of the Resolution. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it and the motion is adopted. Further Resolutions?

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #4. Be it resolved, by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that a Committee of nine Members be appointed by the Speaker to wait upon the Governor and notify him that the House is organized by the election of a Speaker and Clerk and other permanent officers and is now ready to receive any communications which he may have to present."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Hart."

Hart: "Thank you very much Mr. Speaker; and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, this Resolution provides for the appointment of a Committee of nine Members to notify the Governor that we are organized and ready to receive messages from him. I move for the suspension of the Rule for the immediate consideration of House Resolution #4."

Speaker Redmond: "Any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion to suspend the Rule. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it and the Rule is suspended. Representative Hart."

Hart: "I now move for the adoption of House Resolution #4."

Speaker Redmond: "The question is on the adoption of the Resolution. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution is adopted. The following Committee is appointed to wait upon the Governor: Representative Bowman, Representative Davis, Representative Domico, Representative Kosinski, Kozubowski, pardon me, Representative McClain, Representative McBroom, Representative Schoeberlein, Representative Friedland and Representative Jones. That's Republican Jones....Democratic Jones don't get caught over there. May I have a very unofficial and informal show
of hands here; whether you want it? ...We are going to be in Session tomorrow. Now, do you want to.... select the seats now, or do you want to defer that?.... Those that want to select seats now raise their hands. Who did you think didn't want to do that, David? David told me that nobody wanted to do it. How many want to wait until tomorrow? Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What's the program for tomorrow? We're going to be in Session tomorrow, is that correct?"

Speaker Redmond: "That's correct."

Ryan: "Whatever the will of the House is,....for seats is, fine with me. "

Speaker Redmond: "Those in favor of selecting seats today, vote 'aye'. Is there Roll Call?....Vote 'aye'.... We will be in Session tomorrow whether we select seats or not, today. Consult with your Leadership. It's mandatory that we be here tomorrow. .................. Be at ease for five minutes.....Representative Schlickman. The House will come back to order."

Schlickman: "I have an inquiry, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "State your inquiry."

Schlickman: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, we were told by the outgoing Governor, we were told by the incumbent Governor that this State is facing severe financial straits. It seems to me, Mr. Speaker, we ought to get done today, what we can do today, rather than come here tomorrow and spend $6372 out of the General Revenue Fund for per diem. Mr. Speaker, could you advise the Membership for what reason you announced that we would be here tomorrow?"

Speaker Redmond: "What we are trying to do is to get the Rules Committee appointed, get temporary Rules adopted, to get the Committee structure set up, to get the Leadership appointed and to try to get ourselves in readiness, it seems to me that not only the fiscal problems of the
State, but also there is a very serious election up in Chicago and we can anticipate that we will probably some absenteeism during April and perhaps a little bit later on and I'm trying to get the thing in posture now so that we can get started without the usual ten days or two weeks delay..."

Schlickman: "Well, Mr. Speaker..."

Speaker Redmond: "...and, in my judgment, and in the judgment I believe of the Minority Leader, it is essential that we do it so that we can do it the way that we have suggested."

Schlickman: "Well, Mr. Speaker, isn't it true that the temporary Rules of the 80th General Assembly, by law, are the permanent Rules of the 79th General Assembly?"

Speaker Redmond: "Yes..."

Schlickman: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I would hope that you would continue with your past practice of being courteous and considerate of the Membership. Now, we were given no advance word that we would be in Session tomorrow and I have not been satisfied, from what you have said, and I have all the respect in the world for you, I have not been satisfied as to the necessity of our being here tomorrow."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Deuster."

Deuster: "Mr. Speaker, I do want to express my regrets to the Members of the General Assembly, the new General Assembly for my not being here at the time that all of the Members were sworn in. The train from Chicago was two hours late and my colleagues and the Members of this General Assembly, I understand, were kind enough and thoughtful enough to give leave for my vote to be cast along with the other faithful and loyal Republican Members on this side of the aisle, for George Ryan, for Speaker of the House. That was on the assumption I would cast my vote for George Ryan. There's no question about that. I'd like to
personally thank the Members for allowing that unanimous consent to take place and to express, at this time, my personal vote and support for George Ryan for Speaker. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "The House will be back in order........with the matter of the appointment of Leadership. Mr. Minority Leader, do you desire to appoint the Minority Leaders?"

Ryan: "Would you repeat the question, Mr. Speaker?"

Speaker Redmond: "I say, we are on the order of the appointment of the Minority Leadership."

Ryan: "Yes..... Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House. It's my privilege at this time to appoint my Assistant Minority Leaders and my Whips. With that in mind I would like to name Representative Bernard Epton as an Assistant Minority Leader, Representative Gilbert Deavers as an Assistant Minority Leader and Representative Celeste Stiehl as an Assistant Minority Leader. And as a Whip, Representative Arthur Telcer, and as the other Whip, Representative Bruce Waddell. Now, Mr. Speaker, I would also like to add at this time; ....I would like to name my Conference Chairman, if I may? For the benefit of everyone here I would like to name Mr. Bill.....Representative Bill Mahar to be the Conference Chairman and will be a part of the Leadership of the Republican team. He will be entitled to all of the privileges of the Leadership team as far as the meetings are concerned and conferences are concerned. That's my Leadership, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Has the Clerk been given a copy of that, Mr. Ryan; to be Journalized? ....."

Ryan: "I believe, Mr. Speaker, that the Secretary does have a copy of that."

Speaker Redmond: "Mr. Clerk, will you read the..."

Clerk O'Brien: "Appointment of Majority Leadership. The Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of
Representatives to serve the Majority Leadership of the House of Representatives for the 80th General Assembly. As the Majority Leader, Mr. Michael Madigan; as Assistant Majority Leader, Mr. Corneal Davis; as Assistant Majority Leader, Mr. Ted Lechowicz; as Assistant Majority Leader, Mr. E. J. 'Zeke' Giorgi; as Majority Whip, Mr. Gerald Bradley; as Majority Whip, Mr. Don Brummet."

Speaker Redmond: "That report will be journalized. Now, the order of business, the selection of seats. Pardon me, Rules first. Representative Katz."

Katz: "Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, to expedite our activities, we would like to adopt the Rules of the last Session as the Temporary Rules of this Session so that we will have Rules to go by. The Clerk has the Resolution in front of him."

Speaker Redmond: "Read the Resolution, Mr. Clerk."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #5. Be it resolved, by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois, that the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 79th General Assembly are adopted as the Temporary Rules of the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly and that such Temporary Rules shall continue in effect until the House shall adopt permanent Rules of the 80th General Assembly."

Speaker Redmond: "Representatives Katz."

Katz: "I would move the adoption of the Resolution."

Speaker Redmond: "Is there any discussion? The question is on the Gentleman's motion for the adoption of the Resolution. Those in favor say 'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it and the Resolution carries and the Resolution is adopted. The House will now be in recess and the floor will be cleared for the purpose of selecting the seats. -Representative Walsh."

Walsh: "Does this mean, Mr. Speaker, having taken care of these items of business, that we will adjourn today, until we
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come back?"

Speaker Redmond: "It means that we're trying our best to accommodate the Membership..... We're now on the Order of Selection of Seats.... The floor will be cleared. Mr. Clerk, I wonder if we would clear the floor? You know it used to be customary when we cleared the floor that everybody went out into the back. Would you please clear the floor? The Master-at-Arms....."

Clerk O'Brien: "Will the appointed Leadership please come to the Clerk's desk to pick up their seat selection card and place it on the voting console of the seat that they select? Will the Democrat Leadership please come up and take their ticket and place it on the seat that they select? If the Leadership has selected their seats we're ready to proceed with Members with 16 Assemblies served. Representative McAvoy."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Meyer."

Meyer: "Mr. Speaker, there seems to be some question back here about the number of Leadership seats that have been selected on the Republican side. How many are they entitled to?"

Speaker Redmond: "The same as they were the last time."

Meyer: "That'd be six, right?"

Speaker Redmond: "I think so."

Meyer: "Thank you."

Clerk O'Brien: "...Now ready to proceed with the selection of seats for nine Assemblies served. Representative Garmisa, Representative Walsh. We're ready to proceed with the selection of seats for eight Assemblies served. If everyone will take the cards that are being passed out, attach them to the voting console of the seat that you select and leave the card there, then the electrician will connect your voting switch to your name in the voting machine. These cards must be placed on the voting console of the seat that you select. I'm told that they
will stick to the wood if you put them on the wood and it won't come off. So if you put them on the voting tees, the plastic tees. Ready on selection of seats for eight Assemblies served. Representative Friedrich, Representative Neff, Representative DiPrima and Representative Mann. Ready for seat selections for seven Assemblies served. (Shake them up.) Representative Katz, Representative Hanahan, Representative Chapman, Representative Campbell, Representative Dave Jones, Representative Wall, Representative Schoeberlein, Representative Schlickman and Representative Pierce. We're ready for seat selection of six Assemblies served. Representative McBroom, Representative McLendon, Representative Sevcik, Representative Matijevich, Representative Bluthardt, Representative Caldwell, Representative Collins, Representative Tipsword, Representative Hoffman, Representative Ewell, Representative Klosak, Representative Yourell and Representative Jacobs. For five Assemblies served, Representative Brandt, Representative Wolf, Representative Hart, Representative Meyer, Representative Friedland, Representative Taylor, Representative Tuerk, Representative Schisler, Representative Von Boeckman, Representative Dyer, Representative Vitek. Ready to proceed with four Assemblies served, Representative Simms, Representative Hudson, Representative McMaster, Representative Flinn, Representative Kosinski, Representative Tetzirch, Representative Laurino, Representative Conti, Representative E. M. Barnes, Representative Capparelli, Representative Jaffe, Representative Cunningham, Representative Schneider. We're ready for three terms Assemblies served, Representative Rigney, Representative Mahar, Representative Sharp, Representative Kelly and Representative Kucharski, Representative Beatty, Representative Emil Jones, Representative Farley, Representative Polk, Representative Getty, Representative
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Kent, Representative McGrew, Representative Leinenweber, Representative Kempiners, Representative Kozubowski, Representative Jim Houlihan, Representative McClain, Representative Griesheimer, Representative Porter, Representative Giglio, Representative Ebbesen, Representative Bartulis, Representative Miller, Representative Geo-Karis, Representative McAuliffe, Representative Nardulli, Representative Totten, Representative MacDonald, Representative Peters, Representative Mugalian, Representative Williams, Representative McCourt, Representative Deuster, Representative Ralph Dunn, Representative Dan Houlihan, Representative Catania, Representative Molloy, Representative Greiman, Representative Skinner, Representative Lauer, Representative Huskey. We're ready to proceed with the selection of seats for two terms; Representative Winchester, Representative Kane, Representative Birchler, Representative Richmond, Representative Daniels, Representative Ewing, Representative O'Daniel, Representative E. G. Steele, Representative Mudd, Representative Darlow, Representative Schuneman, Representative Huff, Representative Stearney, Representative Van Duyne, Representative Leverenz, Representative Lucco, Representative Gaines, Representative Reed, Representative Marovitz, Representative O'Brien, Representative Anderson, Representative Mulcahey, Representative Peggy Martin, Representative Jane Barnes, Representative Madison, Representative Satterthwaite, Representative Luft, Representative Mautino, Representative Pouncey, Representative Byers, Representative Willer, Representative Holewinski, Representative Younge, Representative John Dunn. Representative Kornowicz, Representative Dawson, Representative Abramson, Representative Keats. Ready to proceed with the one year selection of seats. Representative Rich Brummer, Representative Harris, Representative Reilly, Representative Shumpert, Representative Stanley,
Representative Pullen, Representative......

Speaker Bradley: "Just a minute, Mr. Clerk. It's come to the attention of the Chair that the Democratic side needs the first two rows .....Mrs. Geo-Karis, I think that we need the first two rows to give us 94 seats. Now, if I'm wrong in that assumption, I ....is that correct? I think that that's the ......the map that I have shows the Democrats will have those five seats, Mrs. Geo-Karis. So, could you take another seat? Mrs. Geo-Karis is entitled to a .....her choice of a seat, so could you take another seat, please?"

Clerk O'Brien: "Mrs. Geo-Karis, have you selected your seat?"

Speaker Bradley: "Mrs. Geo-Karis, has somebody taken that seat right next to you? Is that seat taken, Mr. Deuster? We better just hold it for thirty seconds because we have those five that we need and we may need one more. Proceed....Mrs. Geo-Karis is fine where she is and Mr. Waddell is fine where he is. Proceed."

Clerk O'Brien: "Representative Matejek, Representative Pechous, Representative Doyle, Representative Christensen, Representative McPike, Representative Stuffle, Representative Wikoff, Representative Murphy, Representative Brady, Representative Boucek, Representative Edgar, Representative Lynn Martin, Representative Sumner, Representative Steczo, Representative Bowman, Representative Sandquist Representative Levin, Representative Adams, Representative Antonovych, Representative Jack Davis, Representative Robinson, Representative Breslin, Representative Woxsey, Representative Johnson. Representative Brady, I still have your seat selection card here. Will you please place the seat selection cards on the voting console of the seat that you select, placing them on the plastic voting tees. The electrician will take that information and wire up your voting switch. Please do not remove these cards. Thank you."
Speaker Bradley: "Ladies and Gentlemen, may I have your attention? I think it would be to the benefit of all of us if all the Members would be in their seats .... that their name tag is on so that we could take an eye check that everybody has a seat before we call the electricians in to start the wiring of the board, which will take anywhere from a week to ten days and it is rather expensive, so that we don't have to come back and change a couple of seats and a couple of wires. So if the Members will please be in their seats it would certainly help the Chair and if some Member........ We would like to see that there aren't two Members in the same seat is really what we are trying to do. We have one announcement, Jake Wolf has lost the case to his glasses. We'll act as the lost and found up here. It has his name on it so if somebody finds it give it to Jake or get it up here to the Clerk's desk. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Meyers."

Meyer: "Mr. Speaker, I presented a Resolution to the Clerk of the House and I wonder if it would be heard today, or maybe it would be appropriate to hear it as soon as ...." Speaker Bradley: "As soon as we get this order of business out of the way, Mr. Meyer, we'll vote for the Resolutions, but I think it is very important now and I still see some Members walking around, not in their seats. Is there any Member that does not have a seat? All right. We've got a couple of Members on the Republican side that do not have a chair. Anybody that is sitting next to a desk that doesn't have a name tag on it would you please raise your hand so they can tell which seats are vacant, please. You've got a couple in the back here......or at least one. Representative Wolf, your glasses case has been found. It is in the nurse's office. ....Lauer, have the people got their seats back there, behind you? One vacancy back there? All right. There is one vacancy
back here. Is there anybody in the Republican side that doesn't have a seat? All right, now, does everybody back there have a seat. Put your name tags in front of you there, Sir. Dwight Friedrich, would you look behind you and see if they've got their name tags on those?.... The Gentleman from Marion, Mr. Friedrich."

Friedrich: "Mr. Speaker, the liberal block has their name tags on properly."

Speaker Bradley: "Thank you. We're happy to be informed of that. The House will now be at ease until we get some kind of a message from the Senate and we will.....and...
I've been informed by the Clerk's office that they will also change nameplates. Don't worry about those plastic.....the plastic plates will be placed in the slide there; there is a place for it and the gum sticker will be torn off by the Clerk's staff. It's also....I've been advised to inform the Members not to take the nameplates off of your offices across the street. Now, if the Members will leave the nameplates on the offices until you are assigned a new office, that the Clerk's staff again, will take those nameplates off of your old office and place them on your new office. So, they will be taking care of that for you and you won't have that problem. The Lady from Lake, Mrs. Geo-Karis, on the nameplate situation."

Geo-Karis: "I'm all set on the nameplate but you mentioned something about choice of offices and I didn't quite get it...."

Speaker Bradley: "All I mentioned was....I was making an announcement regarding the nameplates in front of you.... that the Clerk's staff will take care of that. They will tear off the gummed stickers, put your plate in the slot. I just suggested to the Members that the nameplates on their offices .....don't attempt, themselves, to take them off, that when you are assigned a new office, go
ahead and go to that office and the Clerk's staff will come along behind you and get the old nameplate, for the old Members that have been here before, and take it to your new office. We don't want you to do that yourself."

Geo-Karis: "When are we going to go into the selection of our new offices? This is what I mean."

Speaker Bradley: "Well, it is not going to be today and probably as soon as we get back in Session."

Geo-Karis: "Thank you. All right."

Speaker Bradley: "The House will be at ease for ... at the most ... five minutes, until we get the thing resolved in the Senate. ... All right, could I have the attention of the Democratic Members, please? We're looking for an empty seat. If there is somebody ... if there is an empty seat in the ... next to where you are sitting, would you please indicate it to the Chair, please? There has to be a seat someplace. I know that we have one there. There has to be one more. These five are taken down here. There has to be ...... Joe Mudd, where is your seat, Joe? That's a vacancy where you ...... thank you. That solves the problem. The House will be in order. Members will be in their seats. Agreed Resolutions. I think the Members might be interested in the first two Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #6, Ebbeisen. House Resolution #7, Meyer. House Resolution #8 ... ."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Clerk, could we stop with the ..... let's go with Agreed Resolutions 6 and 7 first and move on those two Resolutions. Representative Giorgi... Resolution #6."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, I have a problem. House Resolution #6 is by Representative Ebbeisen who wants to do away with birthday greetings, but House Resolution #7 by Meyer honors Joe Ebbeisen on his birthday today. So I'd like to yield to Representative Ebbeisen and Meyer as to what they
Speaker Bradley: "Representative Ebbesen, do you wish to make a few remarks regarding the Agreed Resolution? Would he yield to Meyer? ....Would you please yield to....where is Representative Ted Meyer? Possibly you could shed some light on this situation. Mr. Meyer first."

Meyer: "While I have the microphone going I think that we should revert the order of this and vote on 7 first and then revert back to 6.

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman moves that we address ourselves to Resolution #7. I don't think that that is in order unless we get unanimous consent to go to that. Do we have unanimous consent to address ourselves to Resolution #7. Hearing no objection we'll go to #7. Mr. Meyer on Resolution #7."

Unknown: "Objection."

Meyer: "Mr. Speaker, this is a Congratulatory Resolution for Representative Ebbesen on his 51st birthday which is today."

Speaker Bradley: "Any discussion? The Gentleman from.... Mr. Ebbesen on the Gentleman's motion to adopt Resolution #7."

Ebbesen: "Well, yes, Mr. Speaker, I appreciate his thoughtfulness on this and really my Resolution was really put in unbeknownst to Ted and the reverse but I do appreciate it but the big thing here is we adopted this congratulatory message as it relates to Members of the House as far as birthdays were concerned...singing and all this...it does waste a lot of time and these, I'm very serious when I say this. These Resolutions are very costly and time consuming for the Legislative Reference Bureau and I think it's something we should go on record and abide by to the 80th General Assembly. I'm glad that Representative Grotberg now Senator Grotberg, did get up and make a comment on observation about this earlier. I immediately called the
Legislative Reference Bureau, wanted to save them time and money, the State of Illinois and the taxpayers money, and I think we ought to adopt the Resolution.... not the one before us but the one that eliminates all of this.

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman moves then that we address ourselves to Resolution #6 which would eliminate Congratulatory Resolutions before we go to #7. Hearing no objection we'll move back to that posture and the.... and we'll go back to the Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi, on the Resolution....Would you read Resolution #6?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #6, Ebbesen, Whereas, all the elected Members of the House are interested in improving its operations and encouraging the transaction of business without interruption for foolish and frivolous discussions which waste the time of the Members and money of the taxpayers; and Whereas, the unfortunate practice of introducing Congratulatory Birthday Resolutions for Members of the House is a waste of the time of its Members, of the taxpayers money and resources of the Legislative Reference Bureau, which must cease working on important Legislative projects to draw up these many Resolutions; and Whereas, the vast majority of Representatives will have birthdays in the two years of the 80th General Assembly; therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the 80th General Assembly of the State of Illinois that the House of Representatives stands recorded as being in favor of discontinuance of Congratulatory Birthday Resolutions for its Members; and of the sometimes on-key singing and other frivolous activities which accompany the adoption of this type of Resolution, which interrupt the proceedings of this House; and be it further resolved that the House is recorded as congratulating the vast majority of Representatives who will
have birthdays during the two years of the 80th General Assembly and is paying its respect to these Members who will not have birthdays during these two years; and be it further resolved that this should be the last Birthday Resolution for a Member of this House which will be considered by the House during the 80th General Assembly; and be it further resolved that this time-consuming and wasteful suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to any Member of this House each of whom is presumed to know his or her own birthday anyway."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from DeKalb on the....on his Resolution."

Ebbesen: "Mr. Speaker, I consider this very serious business and I would hope that we can have....we can't have a Roll Call vote obviously because of the voting situation, but I certainly would urge a unanimous consent on this Resolution and not only that we approve it but that we keep it....and abide by it.....Thank you."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from Knox, Mr. McGrew."

McGrew: "Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, as many of you know I have been quite concerned about human rights and try to abolish discrimination wherever it exists and I submit to you that this Resolution may indeed be a giant step forward to erase discrimination. I speak primarily because my birthday happens to be close to Christmas and as you probably could guess we're not in Session then, so I come down here and I don't get a Birthday Resolution. Conversely I know one of the former Members that had a birthday on June the 30th and perpetually got a nice Birthday Resolution, even they made up songs about the Gentleman. Now, he was a nice guy but I think that perhaps this might erase some of that inadvertent discrimination because of an accident of birth. Thank you."

Speaker Bradley: "The question is on the Gentleman's Resolution.
Terzich: "Yes, Mr. Speaker, all I'd like to say is 'Happy Birthday, Joe'."

Speaker Bradley: "Mr. Terzich, would you come to the Speaker's desk for a minute, please? The question is on the adoption of a Resolution ...#6. All those in favor will say 'aye', opposed 'no'...the 'ayes' have it and the Gentleman's Resolution is adopted. The Gentleman from Cook, Mr. Meyer."

Meyer: "With a heavy heart and a happy birthday I withdraw House Resolution #7."

Speaker Bradley: "Resolution #8...in Agreed Resolutions."

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #8, J. J. Wolf and DiPrima.
House Resolution #10, Representative Pullen and Antonovych. House Resolution #11, Representative E. G. Steele. House Resolution #12, Holewinski and Marovitz."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman from Winnebago, Mr. Giorgi."

Giorgi: "Mr. Speaker, House Resolution #8 by Wolf, honors Leonard Kukowinski on being elected Amvet Commander of the Illinois Department of the Amvets. House Resolution 10 by Representative Pullen, honors the and encourages the Chicago Latvian Association on the occasion of its 42nd Anniversary and they commend Mr. Vic Torres. House Resolution #11, by E. G. Steele congratulates Honororable Erwin Pleggge, Mayor of the Village of Bethalto on its contribution to municipal government in Illinois and House Resolution #12 by Holewinski authorizes the Special Committee investigating the messenger services to continue their investigation. I move for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution."

Speaker Bradley: "The Gentleman moves for the adoption of the Agreed Resolution. All those in favor say 'aye', opposed 'no'. The Gentleman's motion is adopted. Further Resolutions?"

Clerk O'Brien: "House Resolution #9, Davis, et al. Committee on Assignments."
Speaker Bradley: "Committee on Assignments.
Speaker Redmond in Chair....

Speaker Redmond: "The House will come to order....Representative Bradley has a solution which will please nobody."
Bradley: "Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, we have some announcements that I think will be of interest to you. The House will be in Session, with the agreement of the Leadership on both sides, ....will be in Session at noon tomorrow. The purpose of being here is to get this 80th General Assembly moving. In order to do that, besides assigning the desks, it's important that we assign office space across the street. That will be done at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for the Members' information. So, if they will be across the street in the corridor; the Democrats in the south end on the second floor and the Republicans on the north end of the second floor. You will be assigned to your office space so that we can also wire the telephones across to the office of your selection. There will be a Rules Committee Meeting at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, of those Members who are the Members of the Rules Committee, I believe, and the Speaker's Office....if that's correct, Mr. Speaker..... At 10 o'clock. There will be a meeting at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning of the Leadership of both sides of the aisle, the Democrats and Republicans also, in the Speaker's Office......tomorrow morning. I believe it's necessary for us to ...if we're going to start this General Assembly on time that it's necessary that we be here tomorrow....and get the wiring completed, the office assigned, so that we can get started with the business of the House."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mann."  
Mann: "Mr. Speaker, no one was happier with your election and with the election of my colleagues on this side of the aisle and my colleague in my District, Bernie Epton, on
the other side of the aisle. But, when Jerry Bradley
said that with the consultation of the Leadership, he
did not include the consultation of the Membership and
I hope that this is not going to be the example which
we are going to follow. It is now 3:30, Mr. Speaker, in
two and a half hours we could do all of the things which
Mr. Bradley has suggested, and if in fact we're going to
stay here tomorrow, Mr. Speaker, I'd appreciate it if
you'd put it to a vote because I think it's a waste of
taxpayers' money and we ought to be on our way."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Ryan."

Ryan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the
House. It's too bad that we have to get to this point
the first day, however, Mr. Speaker, I stand with you
that we be here tomorrow and that we get on with the
State's business. We're all being paid as of today and
I see no reason that we can't move ahead. These telephones
have to be wired. It takes two weeks to do that and we
have a lot of business to do and the sooner we get start-
ed the better off we're all going to be."

Speaker Redmond: "Further discussion? I may say that Rep-
resentative Deuster."

Deuster: "Well, Mr. Speaker, I think the rank and file Members
are always willing to do what is necessary, if they
understand why it is necessary. I think maybe ... just
if you shed a little more light on why it is necessary
to be here tomorrow, I don't think any of us understand
why the selection of rooms alone couldn't take place now.
All we have to do is go over there the same way we select-
ed our seats, but if there is something else that is
the real reason or some other reason why we've got to
be here tomorrow, tell us about it then we'll understand.
But to simply say we've got to hang around tomorrow be-
cause the Leadership must confer or because we must
select rooms, most of us are going to stay in our same
room. I think it's a simple process. It could be worked out in two hours unless there is something I don't know and the rank and file don't know so maybe the Leadership could shed some more light and we'd be happier. I'd appreciate your explanation. Thank you."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Geo-Karis."

Geo-Karis: "Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, I understand the Governor is going to have a joint message for us, is that correct? If that is so, that is coming on tomorrow and...."

Speaker Redmond: "I don't know for sure yet, quite frankly. He wasn't in when our Committee called on him so we...."

Geo-Karis: "I can well appreciate the prior speaker's request, as we say in Greek 'We ate the bull, why leave out the tail?' If you need us here tomorrow morning let's go ahead with the business at hand and get back tomorrow and get things finished up."

Speaker Redmond: "Let me tell you my observation. The selection of offices is at least a three hour proposition, because you have difficulties with allocation of secretaries and one thing or another and it takes at least three hours. We're going to try to get the Committee schedule set up, we're going to try and put you in a position so that you can request your Committees tomorrow. And my experience is that the wiring of the office and over here sometimes takes as long as three weeks and even longer than that and in my judgment it would be foolhardy if we don't do what we have to do now and then if we have time after tomorrow I don't want to come down here any more than you do. I think it would be a very foolish thing to do if we didn't stay and do what we have to do tomorrow and praise God, you'll have your offices, you'll have your secretarial selection, you'll have your Committee requests and we'll have the schedule and then in all likelihood we will be able to
adjourn for a time. It is my best judgment that that is the sensible thing to do. Representative Madison....

He is at the back of where Jones used to....back of Jones. Washington....I guess, wasn't it...."

Madison: "Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the question I'd like to raise .....because I heard that Representative Bradley indicate a Rules Committee meeting tomorrow and I'd just like to know who is on the Rules Committee?"

Speaker Redmond: "That is part of our problem. We have to work that out this afternoon. We haven't selected those yet. The Republicans have given me the Rules but I'm not used to being elected in one day...."

Madison: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Mr. Speaker, I then, at this time, move that the House does stand adjourned until tomorrow at the hour of 12 o'clock."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mugalian."

Mugalian: "Mr. Speaker, I just have an observation that may be helpful to all of my colleagues an i to the Leadership. I understand that if.....and there are many Committee chairman vacancies....chairperson vacancies....it would seem to me that the Membership should know who the chairmen are so that those who are chairmen can make arrangements to have a-secretary-clerk. I have done some checking around just generally and there are some secretaries who now have three bosses who would not be willing to be a secretary-clerk, so I suggest that if those designations can be made before we select our offices we may save a lot of confusion."

Speaker Redmond: "Representative Mann."

Mann: "Mr. Speaker, out of respect for you, I withdraw my objection."

Speaker Redmond: "Thank you. It is my best judgment that we
do it this way. It may be wrong but that wouldn't be
the first time. Representative Schlickman."

Schlickman: "Mr. Speaker, do I understand that tomorrow's
Session will be perfunctory in nature?"

Speaker Redmond: "No. We will have a Regular Session."

Schlickman: "What will be on the agenda? What will be on the
Calendar?"

Speaker Redmond: "Well, I can't tell you everything that's
going to be on the Calendar but we'll have a Regular
Session tomorrow. Probably...no, I can't tell you what's
on it but there will be a Regular Session tomorrow."

Schlickman: "It's a secret?"

Speaker Redmond: "Huh?"

Schlickman: "It's a secret?"

Speaker Redmond: "It is not a secret, I don't know yet. As I
explained to you, this is a surprise to me. I'm used
to three and a half weeks in selecting Speakers. We're
really not quite equipped to.."

Schlickman: "Well, I think you need rest tomorrow, Mr. Speaker."

Speaker Redmond: "I'd rather take my rest at the end of June.
Representative Bradley."

Bradley: "Mr. Speaker, just to clarify the times now for
everybody.....in the Adjournment Motion...We will have a
Leadership Meeting at 9, Rules at 10 and also the Members
are to select their offices across the street at 10
o'clock tomorrow morning. We'll be in Regular Session
at 12 o'clock tomorrow morning and I so move, Sir."

Speaker Redmond: "You heard the motion. All those in favor say
'aye', 'aye', opposed 'no'; the 'ayes' have it, the
motion carries. Stand adjourned."
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