

STATE OF ILLINOIS
95th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

20th Legislative Day

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Speaker Madigan: "The House shall come to order. The Members shall be in their chairs. We ask the Members and our guests in the gallery to turn off laptop computers, cell phones and pagers. And we ask our guests in the gallery to rise and join us for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. We shall be led in prayer today by Father Kevin Laughery who is the Pastor of the Holy Cross Parish of Auburn, Divernon, and Pawnee in Auburn, Illinois. Father Laughery is the guest of Representative Brauer."

Father Laughery: "God of the whole human family, we ask that all of us here will hold in our hearts a sense of the worth, the beauty, the genius of the millions of people here represented. We ask that You will steady the hearts and the nerves of these Representatives. We pray for a deeper spirit of servanthood. And we pray that in the interactions among the Members of the Legislature and in dealings with the Executive, it will be very, very clear to everyone that it will be clear with a sense of deep responsibility that the people whose lives are potentially being affected by the extraordinary length of this Session. Those people are the same people for everyone. May this be clear and may all our motivations be in regard to the goal of serving the people. We ask this in the name of all that is holy."

Speaker Madigan: "We shall be led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Representative Flowers."

Flowers - et al: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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Speaker Madigan: "Roll Call for Attendance. Representative Currie."

Currie: "Thank you, Speaker. Please let the record reflect that the excused Members on our side of aisle are Representatives Boland; Rich Bradley; Brosnahan; Chapa LaVia; Collins; Colvin; Crespo; Dugan; Fritchey; Ford; Lang; Lyons; Mendoza; Molaro; Osterman; Patterson; Scully; Soto; and Yarbrough."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you... Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representatives Wait; Durkin; Rose; Dunn; Myers; Lindner; Biggins; Sommer; Tryon; and Leitch are excused today."

Speaker Madigan: "The Clerk shall take the record. There being 88 Members responding to the Attendance Roll Call, there is a quorum present. Mr. Clerk. The First Special Session shall come to order. The Attendance Roll Call for this Session is the Roll Call that we just took. And Representative Currie moves that the House stand in recess 'til the call of the Chair. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it. First Special Session is in recess."

Malfunction of House Floor recording

Speaker Madigan: "(sic-Representative Will Davis moves that the House stand adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow morning. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it.)"