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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. 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 Lee Crawford, the pastor of the Cathedral of Praise Christian Center in Springfield."

Pastor Crawford: "May we pray. Most gracious and sovereign God, the author and the finisher of our faith, You are the giver and You are the sustainer of our lives. Father, we pray this day that You would bestow Your most precious and... blessings upon this august Assembly. We pray, again, that You would bless the Leader of this House as well as all of the Members that You have chosen to serve here. We pray that sense of servanthood, we pray for that sense of service that it be service that's filled with truth. Service that be filled with integrity. Let it be service that is filled with passion. We pray this day in Your Son's name. Amen."

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

Mulligan - 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."

Speaker Madigan: "All right, Ladies and Gentlemen, make sure you only push your own switch. Roll Call for Attendance. Mr. Hannig."

Hannig: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that the following Democrats are excused today: Representatives

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Acevedo; Arroyo; Boland; Rich Bradley; Brosnahan; Burke; Chapa LaVia; Collins; Colvin; Crespo; Currie; Will Davis; Dunkin; Feigenholtz; Flowers; Ford; Franks; Fritchey; Golar; Gordon; Graham; Hamos; Harris; Hernandez; Howard; Jakobsson; Jefferies; Joyce; Lang; Lyons; May; McCarthy; Mendoza; Miller; Molaro; Nekritz; Osterman; Patterson; Riley; Rita; Ryg; Scully; Soto; Verschoore; Washington; Yarbrough; and Younge. Also, I'm advised that Representative Berrios and Dugan are excused as well."

Speaker Madigan: "Mr. Bost."

Bost: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let the record reflect that Representative Myers; Durkin; Dunn; Lindner; Biggins; Black; Beaubien; Winters; Coulson; Bassi; Pritchard; Wait; Sacia; Hassert; and Fortner are excused today."

Speaker Madigan: "Let the record reflect that this is the First Special Session. The Clerk shall take the record. On this question, there are 53 Members responding to the Attendance Roll Call, a quorum is lacking. And Representative Hannig moves that the First Special Session stand adjourned until Monday, July 30, at 5 p.m. Those in favor say 'aye'; those opposed say 'no'. The 'ayes' have it."