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78TH LEGISLATIVE DAY
Perfunctory Session

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020

At the hour of 8:32 o'clock a.m., the House convened perfunctory session.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 682

Offered by Representative Welch:

WHEREAS, The right to vote is a fundamental right that shall not be infringed; and
WHEREAS, This right has not always been freely and equally applied to all persons, and the history of this nation is awash in efforts to suppress voting rights on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, and economic status; and
WHEREAS, These efforts were renewed with particular virulence following the 2008 Presidential Election; and
WHEREAS, 25 states have implemented restrictions on free and equal access to voting since 2010, including the five states with the highest voter turnout rates in 2008; and
WHEREAS, 13 states have attempted to eliminate Election Day Registration, limit voter registration drives, and reduce opportunities for voters to register to vote; and
WHEREAS, Requiring voters to present a photo identification to cast a ballot disproportionately disenfranchises people who may not be able to afford time off from work to obtain such an ID in time to vote, work jobs with unconventional hours, are homeless, or are otherwise unable to access such identification; and
WHEREAS, Laws that strike voters from the rolls solely on the basis of non-participation disproportionately disenfranchise elder and less mobile voters, servicepersons, and others, essentially infringing voters' rights as punishment for their choice not to vote; and
WHEREAS, Closing polling places on college campuses and imposing restrictions on students seeking to exercise their right goes against the public policy of Illinois to foster the civic responsibility of each generation; and
WHEREAS, State and federal courts have routinely rejected laws attempting to limit early voting, student voting, and other suppressive tactics on the basis that they unconstitutionally infringed the right to vote; and
WHEREAS, Some states hide behind bureaucratic measures to limit voter registration; two examples are the Georgia Secretary of State refusing to process 53,000 voter registration applications, of which 70% were from African American voters and 80% of all the refused applications were from people of color, and North Dakota refusing to accept IDs from Native American or Indigenous voters; and
WHEREAS, On the assumption that those voters moved, Wisconsin is attempting to remove over 200,000 registered voters on the basis that some had not responded to a recent mailing from the Wisconsin Elections Commission, and the December court order to remove roughly 234,000 voters is currently on hold pending an appeal with the Wisconsin Court of Appeals; and
WHEREAS, Florida directly rebuffed the will of their own people by cutting back on the 2018 voter-approved restoration of voting rights to ex-felons; and
WHEREAS, Our Midwestern neighbors, including Missouri, Wisconsin, Indiana, Kansas, Iowa and Ohio, have limited the early voting and voting by mail options, cut polling place hours, and instituted photo ID requirements or requiring proof of citizenship to cast a ballot; and
WHEREAS, Voter suppression silences communities, groups, and persons and allows those in power to ignore their voices in the public arena; and
WHEREAS, 2.3 million Illinois voters ratified an amendment to the State Constitution in 2014 rejecting these discriminatory voter suppression tactics; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we condemn voter suppression efforts and support all efforts to protect the free exercise of the right to vote.

At the hour of 8:32 o'clock a.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Representative Harris in the chair.
Prayer by Reverend Dr. James E. Shannon, who is with Peoples Community Church in Glen Ellyn, IL.
Representative Hoffman led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.
By direction of the Speaker, a roll call was taken to ascertain the attendance of Members, as follows:
115 present. (ROLL CALL 1)

The membership of the House was temporarily reduced to 117 as a result of the vacancy created by the resignation of Representative Feigenholtz.

By unanimous consent, Representatives Cassidy and Stephens were excused from attendance.

TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative Wehrli replaced Representative Demmer in the Committee on Rules on January 29, 2020.

Representative Hurley replaced Representative Turner in the Committee on Rules on January 29, 2020.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Representative Harris, Chairperson, from the Committee on Rules to which the following were referred, action taken on January 29, 2020, reported the same back with the following recommendations:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE:

Executive: HOUSE RESOLUTION 682.
Transportation: Vehicles & Safety: HOUSE BILLS 322 and 326.

The committee roll call vote on the foregoing Legislative Measure(s) is as follows:
4, Yeas; 0, Nays; 0, Answering Present.

Y Harris(D), Chairperson
Y Wehrli(R)(replacing Demmer)
Y Hurley(D)(replacing Turner)

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

SENA TE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58
RESOL VED, BY THE SENA TE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENT A TIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the two Houses adjourn on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 04, 2020, or until the call of the President; and the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Monday, February 03, 2020, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 04, 2020, or until the call of the Speaker.
Adopted by the Senate, January 29, 2020.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

A message from the Senate by
Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has concurred with the House in the adoption of the following joint resolution, to-wit:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 100

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate

CHANGE OF SPONSORSHIP

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Conroy was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative LaPointe became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 3876.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Butler was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Willis became the new principal sponsor of SENATE BILL 531.

With the consent of the affected members, Representative Feigenholtz was removed as principal sponsor, and Representative Gabel became the new principal sponsor of HOUSE BILL 3984.

RECESS

At the hour of 11:47 o'clock a.m., Speaker of the House Madigan moved that the House do now take a recess for the Governor to address the Joint Session.
The motion prevailed.

JOINT SESSION
11:47 O'CLOCK A.M.

The hour having arrived, the time heretofore fixed by Joint Resolution adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Joint Session convened for the purpose of receiving the Governor to deliver his State of the State in person to the One Hundred First General Assembly.
The Senate, preceded by the Honorable President Harmon, and Members of the Senate, appeared in the Hall of the House of Representative and, by direction of the Speaker, took the seats assigned to them.
The two Houses being convened in Joint Session, President Harmon of the Senate announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.
Speaker Madigan, of the House of Representatives, announced that a quorum of the House was present.
A majority of each House of the General Assembly being present, the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session duly formed.
Representative Harris offered the following resolution and moved its adoption.

**JOINT SESSION RESOLUTION 2**

**RESOLVED,** That a committee of ten be appointed, five from the House, by the Speaker of the House, and five from the Senate, by the President of the Senate, to wait upon Governor JB Pritzker and invite him to address the Joint Assembly.

Representative Natalie Manley  
Representative Emanuel Chris Welch  
Representative Aaron Ortiz  
Representative Thomas Bennett  
Representative Randy Frese  
Senator Omar Aquino  
Senator Napoleon Harris  
Senator Laura Murphy  
Senator Dale Righter  
Senator Jil Tracy

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

**GOVERNOR PRITZKER**  
**STATE OF THE STATE**

Speaker Madigan, President Harmon, Leader Durkin, Leader Brady, Lieutenant Governor Stratton, my fellow constitutional officers, members of the General Assembly, distinguished guests and people of Illinois -

I want to begin by thanking the First Lady of Illinois, my wife, MK - With quiet strength and with little fanfare, you've worked hard over the last year to make this state more inclusive and welcoming to all, from DuQuoin to Springfield to Chicago, caring about and advocating for some of our state's most vulnerable people. I want to say thank you for making some important aspects of Illinois shine once again.

To now former Senate President John Cullerton: I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your many years of service to our state. You have always fought for your constituents and for all the people of Illinois with a clear devotion, with a vision to advance this state as a national leader in healthcare, education and civil rights, and with a willingness to listen and seek compromise at just the right moments. John, you've brought kindness and humor in even the toughest days in the General Assembly, and everyone on both sides of the aisle in this chamber will miss you as you embark on a new chapter of your life with your beloved wife Pam, who has made so many personal sacrifices over the last 41 years, as many unsung heroic spouses do. On behalf of a grateful state, we thank you both.

And in turn, I look forward to working with our new Senate President, a friend and ally for more than a quarter century and a long-time champion of the Fair Tax amendment, Don Harmon.

My friends, it has been a little over a year since I was inaugurated Governor. I have a real abiding love for the work I do every day... and a deep respect for how fundamentally humbling it is to serve in this office.

Illinois is a state with a grand history of profound impact on our nation and our world. We've sent four transformational Presidents to the White House. We were the first state to ratify two of the most important amendments to the U.S. Constitution, one abolishing slavery and another granting women the right to vote. The first cell phone was invented here. So was the first television remote control and the first widely used internet browser.

What all these things have in common is that they were the product of the talented and forward-thinking people of our state.
Illinois is great because our people are great.

That's why it's been important to me as governor to listen - truly to hear people from across our state who come with passion and perspective that's different than my own. Keeping an open door policy means that I've been rewarded with a wealth of constructive feedback, advice and help from Democrats and Republicans alike - an indication that perhaps, here in Illinois, we are not as divided in our values and goals as some would have you believe.

Our state has challenges. We inherited a mess that was years in the making, and it had bipartisan roots. On day one it was clear to me that we had a government infrastructure that had withered from neglect and a lack of public trust. At times, it seemed like even the most basic things - like getting a government-issued iPad to work - were hard to do.

But one thing I know in life is that if you want to make profound change in a broken system, you have to do the next good thing that needs to get done. Big problems become big problems when you let small problems sit.

Let me share one small example: The story of the Thompson Center flags.

Sometime last summer, a watchful Twitter citizen noticed that the flags flying outside the state government building in Chicago, the James R. Thompson Center, were hanging a bit haphazardly from their rods, dangling by their last threads.

I have to admit, I didn't notice it. In fact no one among the 2,000 people working there seemed to notice it - maybe because you could spend all day noticing things dangling by their last threads in the Thompson Center if you tried.

So we did a little research and found that the flags used to be serviced by a small, fourth generation family-owned business in Chicago that has tended Illinois' flags for a century's worth of parades, state visits, and sports championships.

But during the last few years - you guessed it - the flag company stopped getting paid. Like so many other small businesses in Illinois that were caught up in the budget impasse, this company did their best, but the Thompson Center flags ended up falling into disrepair.

Once the dangling flags were brought to my attention, we contacted the company and heard their story. We immediately paid them what they were owed, and the next weekend they came with a huge ladder truck and fixed it so our state's flags flew straight once again.

As it turns out, fixing those flags made people really happy. In fact it's the most pleased Twitter has ever been with me. I think it's because this simple story about a flag at the Thompson Center is a metaphor for where state government has been - and where it's going. And it reminded me that - we have a choice about how we tell our story. We could spend our time reliving every past failure, every bygone insult and fight - or we could fix things and be ardent voices on behalf of an agenda of opportunity in the years ahead. The last year has shown what we can do when we roll up our sleeves and work together to restore stability to our state.

Those who would shout doom and gloom might be loud - using social media bots and paid hacks to advance their false notions - but they are not many. You see, we're wresting the public conversation in Illinois back from people concerned with one thing and one thing only — predicting total disaster, spending hundreds of millions of dollars promoting it, and then doing everything in their power to make it happen.

I'm here to tell the carnival barkers, the doomsayers, the paid professional critics - the State of our State is growing stronger each day.
Don't believe me? Consider these facts...

Today the Illinois economy supports 6.2 million jobs. This is the most jobs on record for our state, and we now have the lowest unemployment rate in history. Last year, for the first time in nearly 20 years, every major region in our state was growing simultaneously - and even more remarkably, communities in southern Illinois like Carbondale have led that growth. Over the past year, Illinois has reduced its unemployment rate more than ALL of the top twenty most populated states in the nation — and more than our Midwestern peers.

237 Illinois businesses from all over the state made Inc Magazine's List of Fastest Growing Businesses in the Nation, including companies in Columbia and Rock Island, St. Charles and O'Fallon, Taylorville and Chicago.

Student applications to Illinois' public universities increased last fall for the first time in many years. Illinois is the second-largest producer of computer science degrees in the nation, accounting for nearly 10 percent of all computer science degrees awarded in the entire United States.

Our great state has an awful lot that's going right.

And just look at what a difference a year can make.

We passed a bipartisan, truly balanced budget on time, with renewed investments in job creation, cradle to career education, and physical and mental healthcare. Even the credit rating agencies and financial analysts described a "distinct improvement" in our fiscal stability, and investors took notice and lowered our state's borrowing rate.

A balanced budget is an important accomplishment, but it's more than just about fiscal discipline. It's a moral document that reflects our values as a state.

Thirteen years ago, Bonnie Brackett and her family opened the doors on a new family business: Heartland Kids Early Learning Center in Marion, Illinois. Over the years, hundreds of Williamson County's babies and toddlers have gone through her program, which is one of the top-ranked in the state.

But as with hundreds of childcare providers across Illinois and more than ten thousand parents, the budget crisis became Bonnie's crisis and disrupted families across the area. At one point, Bonnie's staff dropped to a low of 14 teachers from a high of 21.

Bonnie, one of only three childcare centers in Marion, almost had to close her doors.

But this year, with the increase in state funding for childcare that we announced in December, Bonnie is not only able to stay in business but has a plan for teacher training, rebuilding enrollment, classroom improvements, and even beginning the process of hiring more staff. Now, thanks to our bipartisan investments, dozens more parents in Marion can go to work, and Bonnie can get back to the business that matters most to her: caring for the children of Southern Illinois.

Bonnie Brackett is here today, and we want to thank her for all she does for her community, for our kids, and for our state.

For the first time in a decade, we passed a bipartisan infrastructure bill. Rebuild Illinois will create and support 500,000 jobs in the state as we fix our aging and crumbling roads and bridges, bring broadband to parts of the state that are internet deserts, as well as modernize our hospitals, our community centers, our state police facilities, our universities and colleges - all of the things that keep us going and growing.
Over the last several months I've had the pleasure of attending many local events celebrating the jobs and projects that Rebuild Illinois is bringing to our communities. Most times those events are attended by legislators and mayors and local officials of both political parties, and it's clear that when we stand together in front of the public and talk about what we are doing together to literally rebuild bridges and roads and childcare centers and schools - we restore a little bit of the public's trust that has been lost in government institutions at all levels in the past few decades.

Rebuild Illinois is about more than just roads, bridges and universities; it's about jobs: middle class careers with wages and benefits, the kind of jobs that help you raise a family. And together, we did more to make these jobs more inclusive and diverse, by investing in the Illinois Works program to recruit new construction apprentices and set strong goals for our public works projects to include diverse employees.

With me today is Reggie Marizetts Junior, a first-year apprentice with Laborers' Local 165 in Peoria. Reggie fell in love with hands-on work early in his life, and it's his apprenticeship where he is learning all the skills to succeed not just now, but for decades to come. Reggie intends to become a full-time journeyman and later to pursue his lifelong dream: opening a father-son construction company with his dad. Reggie, please stand so we can cheer for your hard work and your bright future.

Over the next six years, in addition to our expansion of apprenticeships, Rebuild Illinois will transform our infrastructure - even as we create a lot more opportunities for Reggie and thousands of young people just like him, with steady work that will help make sure that our economy works for everyone.

Last year we made enormous strides toward equality and opportunity when Democrats and Republicans came together to legal adult-use cannabis with the most equity-centric legislation in the nation which will result in 63,000 new jobs, and new opportunities for entrepreneurs, especially those from communities that have been left behind. It gives us a chance to collect tax revenue from the residents of Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa and Indiana, and most importantly, we're giving a second chance to hundreds of thousands of people who had a low level cannabis conviction or arrest on their record.

The bipartisan License to Work Act that I signed two weeks ago ended the practice of revoking driver's licenses for unpaid parking tickets and fines - because often the only way someone has to pay their parking ticket is if they can travel to work. We restored driving privileges to more than 50,000 people.

When public policy makes it a crime to be poor, it ends up costing us all. The situation you may be born into, the struggles you may be born with — even the struggles you never expected to be your own — should not be allowed to write your entire future.

We've also begun the long work of tackling our pension problems. In addition to expanding our state pension buyout program, in the fall veto session we accomplished something that eluded governors and General Assemblies for almost 75 years by consolidating 650 downstate and suburban first responder pension systems - which will alleviate local property tax burdens and strengthen the funds that offer a decent retirement to our police and firefighters.

Maybe more significantly - the bill we passed was supported by both a leading progressive Representative, Will Guzzardi, AND an outspoken conservative Senator, Dan McConchie.

All I can say is, anything is possible.

We did big things to help people. Real people who live and work here every day. We raised the minimum wage, advanced equal pay for women and minorities, provided millions of Illinoisans relief from high interest on consumer debt, and expanded health care to tens of thousands more people across the state.

We are reaffirming that our most important commitments are to our children and their education. Mark my words, Illinois will be the best state in the nation to raise a young family. Today, 20,000 more kids are getting childcare, and thousands more are going to preschool. To address our state's shortage of teachers, we
raised the minimum teacher salary so we can retain educators in Illinois, and we made it more attractive for out-of-state teachers to move here. We made it easier for high school graduates to get a skilled wage by expanding vocational training and career and technical education for the first time in a decade. And after years of decline, we are turning around university student enrollment by making college more affordable, expanding scholarships to an additional 10,000 college-bound students - and this fall, more than half of the families in our state will be eligible for free tuition at the University of Illinois.

We made healthcare more available - and more affordable.

Working with Senator Andy Manar, we capped out-of-pocket insulin costs at $100 for a 30-day supply so that no one in Illinois has to decide between buying food and paying for the medicine they need to stay alive.

We expanded insurance coverage for mammograms and reproductive health. And we protected people who need treatment for life-threatening allergic reactions.

Overall, the number of opioid related deaths are declining.

We diminished dependence on opioids by reforming the medical cannabis program to cover chronic pain conditions, and we're focused on using evidence-based practices to reduce racial disparities as we continue to battle the opioid crisis.

In the face of the resurgences of measles, mumps and other diseases, we restored federal funding of our state immunization program — which was shut down under the previous administration.

We raised the age to buy cigarettes and vaping products to 21, so we can reduce youth tobacco use.

We stood up for human rights and civil rights when we put Donald Trump on notice that Illinois will not be complicit in his shameful and draconian immigration policies.

We opted in — to welcoming refugees to Illinois - continuing a proud tradition in this state that stretches back to my great grandparents, welcomed here a century ago after fleeing anti-Semitism in Europe.

We invested in public safety by expanding the number of new Illinois State Troopers. And we're building a new state police forensics lab so we can solve crimes faster and address the backlog of DNA testing of rape evidence — because crime victims shouldn't have to wait for justice.

We stopped bad-mouthing the state and started passing laws that make Illinois more attractive for businesses and jobs. Working across the aisle, we brought tax relief for 300,000 small businesses through the phase out of the corporate franchise tax. And we laid the groundwork for new high-paying tech jobs by opening new business incubators, by incentivizing the building of new data centers, and by investing $100 million in a University of Illinois and University of Chicago partnership that will make Illinois the quantum computing capital of the world.

Jobs and businesses are coming to this state because we are investing in the things that have always made us great: a skilled workforce, modern infrastructure, great public schools, top research universities, a robust agricultural sector, and a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship literally built into the steel frames of our skyscrapers - themselves a symbol of Illinois' ambition and belief in the future.

By almost every measure, over the past year we've improved the financial wellbeing, health, education and safety of the residents of Illinois - and we did it working together.

And now we have to work together to confront a scourge that has been plaguing our political system for far too long. We must root out the purveyors of greed and corruption — in both parties — whose presence infects the bloodstream of government. It's no longer enough to sit idle while under-the-table deals,
extortion, or bribery persist. Protecting that culture or tolerating it is no longer acceptable. We must take urgent action to restore the public's trust in our government. That's why we need to pass real, lasting ethics reform this legislative session.

Honest members of the General Assembly from both sides of the aisle have some good ideas, and so do I.

It's time to end the practice of legislators serving as paid lobbyists. In fact it's time to end the for-profit influence peddling among all elected officials at every level of government in Illinois. Disclosure of conflicts of interest and punishment for breaching them must be included in any ethics package for us to truly clean up government. Most states have a revolving door provision for legislators, and it's time for Illinois to join them. Elected officials shouldn't be allowed to retire and immediately start lobbying their former colleagues. It's wrong, and it's got to stop.

There are many more ethics reforms that must be addressed this spring, and I expect the legislature's bipartisan ethics commission to issue its report in the next 8 weeks. Restoring the public's trust is of paramount importance. Let's not let the well-connected and well-protected work the system while the interests of ordinary citizens are forgotten. There is too much that needs to be accomplished to lift up all the people of Illinois.

The overwhelming majority of people involved with government and public policy and politics here in Illinois truly just want what is best for this state. From legislators to citizen activists to reporters - they chisel away at intractable problems and put their shoulders into making real, lasting institutional change. They don't get distracted or dejected - whether they are battling poverty, fighting for increased education funding, or fixing the unglamorous but essential problems of our state's IT infrastructure. Illinois is full of people who love our state and are willing to work earnestly every day to fight for her.

Which is why we have to be committed to the hard work of changing another aspect of the political culture in this state that has too often rewarded a go-along-to-get-along attitude at the expense of truly ethical conduct.

When I took office a year ago, I hired people who came from all walks of life, all different backgrounds - who were diverse in gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, geography and life experience and whose only loyalty is to good ideas and good results. And I took heat for it from some who had been here a very long time. Many were incredulous that I wasn't just automatically hiring the same old faces that get jobs year in and year out.

A commitment to diversity and inclusion is not just a talking point for me, and I hope that the past year has proven that. I have an administration that looks far more like the state we represent than any that has come before it. I have elevated talented people who have been overlooked for far too long, and our state is doing better because of it.

Change needs to happen. And much of this change needs to happen outside of the scope of legislation. It's about how we, as public officials, conduct ourselves in private that also matters. Common sense and basic decency need to prevail in the everyday interactions that make government work. People need to treat disgusting suggestions with disgust. The old patronage system needs to die...finally and completely. The input of women and people of color need to be treated as essential to decision making - not as some token show of diversity.

Bit by bit, inch by inch, I am working hard to reverse the harm that has been done to people and communities that have been left behind over many generations by government policies and elected officials who were content to simply ignore them. I remind myself every day that I have obligations not just to the current people of Illinois, but to the many people who preceded us who were discriminated against, harmed, treated as lesser, and forgotten - lasting damage that echoes through too many communities today. We are obligated to make our future more equitable and fair.
I came into this office with the message that I am committed to doing things differently in my administration. A lot of folks didn't believe me a year ago. Now you can see how far we can come in a year - even when work still remains.

It's time for us to recommit ourselves to the hard work of bringing prosperity and opportunity to all communities in Illinois through a fairer tax system, job creation, education and job training programs, child care and pre-school, and a focus on building essential tools of success such as high-speed Internet in all corners of our state.

This spring, working with legislators, we will begin the long path toward a fairer criminal justice system. That starts with phasing out cash bail and following many of the recommendations made by the bipartisan criminal justice reform commission created by my predecessor, most of whose ideas were never adopted because of the rancor and dysfunction.

Our spring agenda must also address the pressing issue of adopting new clean energy legislation that reduces carbon pollution, promotes renewable energy, and accelerates electrification of our transportation sector. We saw the effects of climate change right here in Illinois last year with a polar vortex, devastating floods, record lake levels, and emergency declarations in more than a third of Illinois' counties.

Urgent action is needed — but let me be clear, the old ways of negotiating energy legislation are over. It's time to put consumers and climate first. I'm not going to sign an energy bill written by the utility companies.

Property taxes in Illinois are simply too high. That's why it's time to put the best ideas to work from both sides of the aisle. Local governments continue to max out their levies even when they don't need to. There are perverse incentives in state law that encourage that. We can change the law to support local governments and lower property taxes. And with nearly 7,000 units of government in Illinois, it's time to empower local taxpayers to consolidate or eliminate them. These changes, along with our landmark pension reform that consolidated police and firefighter pensions, can make a serious dent in property taxes.

Today in Illinois we are governing with our heads and our hearts. In a time when cynicism has too often become the rule rather than the exception, we're proving that we really can make progress. We're showing the rest of the nation what pragmatic progressive leadership looks like - and putting our state back on the side of working families.

A year ago, I shared a story at my Inauguration. It was also about flags - about how a couple in Barrington, Illinois, had their Pride flag stolen from their backyard and replaced with an American flag.

Bigots wrapping themselves in a veil of patriotism are an increasingly familiar sight these days, and it's a dangerous trend.

But the community fought back. A neighbor, Kim Filian, upon hearing about the incident, put a Pride flag in her yard in solidarity. And then suddenly lots of people were asking for them, and she was giving out Pride flags to everyone in Barrington - they were popping up in yards all over the neighborhood.

Kim told the news at the time: "Frankly, I've grown weary of this, of all this hate. And I gotta say, it just seemed like there was one thing that I could do that I had control of."

I've thought a lot about that story this past year. It reminds me of the fundamental goodness and decency of the people who live here in Illinois and about how hard they will fight for each other.

It reminds me that we all ought to think a little like Kim Filian every day - to remember the things we have control of.

So this past June, I asked Secretary of State Jesse White to fly a Pride flag over the Illinois state capitol for the first time in our history. After all, we have a choice about how we tell our story, and I want our Illinois
story to be one of hope, inclusion, opportunity and kindness. I want it to be inspired every day by the fundamental goodness of the people who live and work here and who struggle so hard for a fair shot.

Those are good ideals to live by. Those are good ideals to govern by. Let's all try to remember them in the year ahead.

Thank you.

At the hour of 12:31 o'clock p.m., President Harmon moved that the Joint Assembly do now arise. The motion prevailed.

At the hour of 12:32 o'clock p.m., The Senate having withdrawn, the House resumed its session.
Representative Madigan in the Chair

**AGREED RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions were offered and placed on the Calendar on the order of Agreed Resolutions.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 679**

Offered by Representative Brady:
Congratulates Chuck Scott on his retirement after over 34 years of dedicated service to Illinois State University.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION 685**

Offered by Representative Spain:
Honors the Cowser family on being named as the Illinois Pork Producers Association's 2020 Family of the Year.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS 679 and 685 were taken up for consideration.
Representative Turner moved the adoption of the agreed resolutions. The motion prevailed and the agreed resolutions were adopted.

**ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION**

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Senate by Mr. Anderson, Secretary:
Mr. Speaker -- I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has adopted the following Senate Joint Resolution, in the adoption of which I am instructed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58**

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that when the two Houses adjourn on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, the Senate stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 04, 2020, or until the call of the President; and the House of Representatives stands adjourned until Monday, February 03, 2020, in perfunctory session; and when it adjourns on that day, it stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 04, 2020, or until the call of the Speaker.

Adopted by the Senate, January 29, 2020.

Tim Anderson, Secretary of the Senate
The foregoing message from the Senate reporting their adoption of SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 58 was taken up for immediate consideration.
Representative Turner moved the adoption of the resolution.
The motion prevailed and SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 58 was adopted.
Ordered that the Clerk inform the Senate.

At the hour of 12:43 o'clock p.m., Representative Turner moved that the House do now adjourn, allowing perfunctory time for the Clerk.
The motion prevailed.
And in accordance therewith and pursuant to SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 58, the House stood adjourned until Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at 12:00 o'clock p.m.
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ONE HUNDRED FIRST  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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At the hour of 3:52 o'clock p.m., the House reconvened perfunctory session.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered and placed in the Committee on Rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 680

Offered by Representative LaPointe:

WHEREAS, Today, there are an estimated 21.7 million veterans living in the United States, the oldest having served in World War II; and
WHEREAS, From Illinois, there are approximately 3,000 to 4,000 veterans from World War II, 300-400 veterans from the Korean War, and 65 veterans from the Vietnam War; and
WHEREAS, Since the United States was founded, over 80 million Americans have served in the United States Military; and
WHEREAS, Many soldiers never returned home and may still be classified as Prisoners of War (POWs), Missing in Action (MIA) or died while in captivity (POW-MIA-BNR-DCC-XX); and
WHEREAS, Currently, over 80,000 American service personnel are still considered MIA; and
WHEREAS, Many of the wartime missing in action, who need to be recovered and returned, remain entombed within the borders of Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, North Korea, China, and Russia; and
WHEREAS, The Defense Intelligence Agency established the Stony Beach program in 1986 in an effort to help resolve these cases; the Stony Beach mission is to achieve the fullest possible accounting of unaccounted-for Americans from the Vietnam War; it is the only U.S. government entity focused solely on Vietnam War POW/MIA accounting; and
WHEREAS, The United States and the DIA-Stony Beach ground teams need to continue to pursue any leads that could result in the arrest of former wartime criminals; and
WHEREAS, The wartime interrogation teams need to be captured and brought to justice, as there is no statute of limitations for war crimes; and
WHEREAS, The former Select U.S. Sub-committee on POW-MIA Affairs was allowed to dissolve without notification and needs to be reestablished; and
WHEREAS, The U.S. Senate POW-MIA committee discovered that a 1,000-page report was generated, detailing the many challenges and efforts to bring MIAs home; therefore, be it
RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we support all efforts to locate and return those missing in action from Illinois, including the reestablishment of previous committees; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we urge all U.S. Military organizations to abide by the Department of Defense rules and policies when DPAA JFI-JFR teams are locked into excavating a potential grave site, so as not to compromise or jeopardize the site; and be it further
RESOLVED, That we urge the U.S. Department of Defense DPAA to remove those currently listed as Dead-XX and give these American service personnel the same privilege and opportunity of being reclassified onto the Master Excavation Listing (MEL) country by country.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 681

Offered by Representative Williams, Ann:

WHEREAS, The right to privacy is a fundamental right protected by the United States Constitution and the Illinois Constitution; and
WHEREAS, Article I, Section 12 of the Illinois Constitution provides for a remedy in the law for "all injuries and wrongs" to privacy; and
WHEREAS, The citizens of Illinois have been subjected to an ever-increasing amount of online surveillance from private companies that collect, share, and sell their data for profit without their knowledge or consent; and
WHEREAS, According to the Pew Research Center, the distrust of technology and technology companies has reached an all-time high, as over 80% of Americans believe they have very little to no control over their data, and that the potential risks of collecting data now outweigh the benefit of such collection; and

WHEREAS, In December of 2019, the National Institute of Standards and Technology issued a report finding concrete evidence of racial bias in the use of facial recognition technology, concluding that the majority of face recognition algorithms were significantly more likely to inaccurately identify a photograph of the face of an African-American or East Asian person, compared to the face of a white person; and

WHEREAS, Current law fails to provide adequate protections for children when it comes to the collection, sharing, and aggregation of all types of data; and

WHEREAS, Illinois has long been a leader in protecting the privacy of the citizens of Illinois through the passage of the Biometric Information Privacy Act, which prohibits companies from unlawfully collecting fingerprints and using facial recognition without consent; and

WHEREAS, Over the last decade, technological advancement has significantly outpaced current law, leading to significant gaps in Illinois law and a "wild west" environment when it comes to the protection of the vast majority of consumer data; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge Illinois to continue to be a leader in the protection of the privacy of its citizens by codifying the Illinois Constitution's fundamental right of privacy, which includes: (i) the right to consent before private data is collected or shared, (ii) the right to know with whom data is shared and sold, (iii) the right to have a company delete data upon request, (iv) the right to opt-in to having data collected, shared, or sold, and (v) the right to data portability; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we declare January 28, 2020 as "Data Privacy Day" in the State of Illinois.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 683

Offered by Representative West:

WHEREAS, Illinois is a rich agricultural state, home to over 1 million farmers and over 72,000 farms that grow fruits and vegetables and raise livestock; and

WHEREAS, Almost 50% of all land in the United States is set aside for farming, including 75% of all land in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Farming is a vital part of the Illinois economy as it generates over $19 billion each year; and

WHEREAS, Farmers generally do not turn a profit from their work until they have been in the sector for several years, which makes this necessary profession a risky endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Student loan debt is on the rise, totaling over $1.5 trillion and creating an additional barrier for young farmers to make a living, leading many young people to steer away from farming as a profession; and

WHEREAS, The number of beginning farmers fell 20% between 2007 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, The average age of farmers in the United States is continually rising, climbing to over 58 in 2012 from 49 in 1945, which means young farmers are disappearing from the economy; and

WHEREAS, The United States will see 66% of its farmer-owned land needing a transfer in ownership within the next 25 years; the United States also only added 1,220 young operators to its farming economy, which means there are not enough new farmers to handle the transfer of land that will need to take place; and

WHEREAS, Adding farmers to the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program will create a pathway for young people with student debt to succeed in agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Farmers are critical to our nation's well-being as they produce the food we eat, steward nearly half the country's land, and support rural economies; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we believe farming is an integral public service and that farmers constitute public service professionals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the U.S. Congress to expand the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program so that it includes farming as an applicable career for loan forgiveness; and be it further
RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the President of the United States, the U.S. Senate Majority Leader, the U.S. Senate Minority Leader, the U.S. Speaker of the House, the U.S. House of Representatives Minority Leader, and all members of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 684

Offered by Representative Skillicorn:

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that the State of Illinois should commit itself, whenever it promulgates a new administrative rule under the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act (IAPA) (5 ILCS 100), to repeal two existing rules to make way for one new one; and be it further RESOLVED, That the State of Illinois should commit itself, whenever it promulgates a new administrative rule under the IAPA, to include a date certain within the rulemaking, after which time that rule will no longer be in effect.

HOUSE RESOLUTION 686

Offered by Representative McCombie:

WHEREAS, Child abuse and neglect is a major social problem in Illinois, with 34,561 indicted cases affecting children statewide in 2018; according to the Children's Bureau's Child Maltreatment 2017 Report, an estimated 1,720 children died as a result of abuse or neglect in the United States in 2017; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated that more than 100,000 cases of abuse go unreported each year; the impact of abuse on children manifests itself in various ways; the affected children may experience a range of emotional, psychological, and physical trauma resulting from abuse or neglect; and

WHEREAS, There are various organizations and agencies devoted to combatting this concern; such groups seek to provide preventative solutions and possible exit strategies to at-risk youth and victimized children; and

WHEREAS, In 1982, Congress designated June 6-12 as National Child Abuse Prevention Week; the following year, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed April to be the first National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a tradition that continues to this day; and

WHEREAS, Illinois law requires that mandated reporters, including most professionals employed within education, healthcare, law enforcement, and social work sectors, report suspected child neglect or abuse; and

WHEREAS, Healthcare professionals and concerned private parties continue to educate parents and raise awareness of child abuse within the State; and

WHEREAS, Effective preventative measures concerning child abuse succeed because of partnerships created between the courts, social service agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, businesses, and civilian communities; the establishment of an Illinois Child Abuse Prevention Month would cohesively promote such successful partnerships aiming to eradicate the social ill of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, National Child Abuse Prevention Month promotes the social and emotional well-being of children and families and thus serves to acknowledge the importance of community cooperation throughout the nation with respect to the prevention of child abuse and neglect; the institution of an Illinois Child Abuse Prevention Month would functionally reiterate such principles within Illinois and would reinforce Illinois’ commitment to educating residents and helping prevent any more children from being subjected to child abuse and neglect; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare April 2020 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the State of Illinois.
INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced, read by title a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules:

HOUSE BILL 4314. Introduced by Representative Lilly, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 4315. Introduced by Representative Harper, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 4316. Introduced by Representatives Murphy - Keicher, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4317. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning fish.

HOUSE BILL 4318. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4319. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4320. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4321. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4322. Introduced by Representative McCombie, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4323. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4324. Introduced by Representative Willis, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4325. Introduced by Representative Willis, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 4326. Introduced by Representative Wehrli, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 4327. Introduced by Representative Wehrli, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4328. Introduced by Representative Costa Howard, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4329. Introduced by Representative Costa Howard, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4330. Introduced by Representative West, AN ACT concerning animals.

HOUSE BILL 4331. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4332. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4333. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning firearms.

HOUSE BILL 4334. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning courts.

HOUSE BILL 4335. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4336. Introduced by Representative Cabello, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4337. Introduced by Representative Davis, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4338. Introduced by Representative Turner, AN ACT concerning regulation.
HOUSE BILL 4339. Introduced by Representative Welter, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4340. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4341. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4342. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4343. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4344. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning wildlife.

HOUSE BILL 4345. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning health.

HOUSE BILL 4346. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4347. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4348. Introduced by Representative Bennett, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4349. Introduced by Representative Turner, AN ACT concerning business.

HOUSE BILL 4350. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4351. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4352. Introduced by Representative Skillicorn, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4353. Introduced by Representatives Stava-Murray - Moylan and Conroy, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4354. Introduced by Representative Welch, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4355. Introduced by Representative Welch, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4356. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 4357. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning finance.

HOUSE BILL 4358. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 4359. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4360. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4361. Introduced by Representative Didech, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4362. Introduced by Representative Moeller, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4363. Introduced by Representative Moeller, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4364. Introduced by Representative Walsh, AN ACT concerning employment.

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HOUSE BILL 4371. Introduced by Representative Meyers-Martin, AN ACT concerning local government.

HOUSE BILL 4372. Introduced by Representative Jones, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4373. Introduced by Representative Halpin, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4374. Introduced by Representative Halpin, AN ACT concerning interstate compacts.

HOUSE BILL 4375. Introduced by Representative Mayfield, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4376. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4377. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning elections.

HOUSE BILL 4378. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning appropriations.

HOUSE BILL 4379. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 4380. Introduced by Representative Evans, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4381. Introduced by Representative Villa, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4382. Introduced by Representative Caulkins, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 4383. Introduced by Representative LaPointe, AN ACT concerning revenue.

HOUSE BILL 4384. Introduced by Representatives Mazzochi - Swanson, AN ACT concerning civil law.

HOUSE BILL 4385. Introduced by Representative Mazzochi, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4386. Introduced by Representative Davis, AN ACT concerning State government.

HOUSE BILL 4387. Introduced by Representative Mazzochi, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4388. Introduced by Representative Mazzochi, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4389. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning government.

HOUSE BILL 4390. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4391. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4392. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4393. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning safety.
HOUSE BILL 4394. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning abortion.

HOUSE BILL 4395. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4396. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning criminal law.

HOUSE BILL 4397. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4398. Introduced by Representative Windhorst, AN ACT concerning safety.

HOUSE BILL 4399. Introduced by Representative Davis, AN ACT concerning public aid.

HOUSE BILL 4400. Introduced by Representative Davis, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4401. Introduced by Representative Hernandez, Barbara, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4402. Introduced by Representative Skillicorn, AN ACT concerning transportation.

HOUSE BILL 4403. Introduced by Representative Ford, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4404. Introduced by Representative Guzzardi, AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

HOUSE BILL 4405. Introduced by Representative Burke, AN ACT concerning conservation.

HOUSE BILL 4406. Introduced by Representative Parkhurst, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 4407. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning regulation.

HOUSE BILL 4408. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning education.

HOUSE BILL 4409. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning liquor.

HOUSE BILL 4410. Introduced by Representative Spain, AN ACT concerning revenue.

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

**FIRST READING**

Representative Mazzochi introduced the following:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 38**

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREBIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

ARTICLE XIII
GENERAL PROVISIONS

(ILCON Art. XIII, Sec. 5)

SECTION 5. PENSION AND RETIREMENT RIGHTS

Membership in any pension or retirement system of the State, any unit of local government or school district, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, shall be an enforceable contractual relationship, the accrued and payable benefits of which shall not be diminished or impaired. Nothing in this Section or in any other provision of this Constitution shall be construed to limit the power of the General Assembly to make changes to future benefit accruals or benefits not yet payable, including for existing members of any public pension or public retirement system.

(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

The foregoing HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 38 was taken up, read in full a first time, ordered reproduced and placed in the Committee on Rules.

At the hour of 4:00 o'clock p.m., the House Perfunctory Session adjourned.