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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Illinois Constitution requires the General Assembly to make appropriations for the expenditure of public funds for the fiscal year for State departments, authorities and public agencies; and

WHEREAS, Illinois developed the Supportive Living Program as an alternative to nursing home care for low-income persons, older persons and persons with disabilities under Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has passed, and I have signed, a temporary, one-month budget providing spending authority to the Department of Healthcare and Family Services for its Supportive Living Program; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly failed to provide for the expenditure of public funds after July of Fiscal Year 2008 for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services' Supportive Living Program;

THEREFORE, pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 (b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby call and convene the 95th General Assembly in a special session to commence on July 10, 2007, at 1:00 p.m., to consider any legislation, new or pending, which will address the budget of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services for the Supportive Living Program for Fiscal Year 2008.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rod R. Blagojevich". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH
Governor

Dated: July 9, 2007