

State Representative Dennis Tipsword
Statement on FY 2027 Budget Signing

State Representative Dennis Tipsword (R-Metamora) has issued a statement following the signing of the FY 2027 state budget by Governor Pritzker:

“Governor Pritzker has once again signed the largest budget in state history. The \$55.9 billion budget includes more irresponsible spending and \$800 million in new taxes and fees. Democrats promised affordability, but this budget delivers the exact opposite. The budget includes at least \$220 million for pork projects, legislator pay raises, and fund sweeps to fill budget holes.

“It is especially frustrating because Democrats are unwilling to address issues related to the SAFE-T Act, despite paying lip service and acknowledging tweaks to the law may be needed earlier this year. There is always plenty of money for whatever pet project they want in the budget, but nothing for substantive public safety changes, even if those changes wouldn’t cost anything. House Republicans have introduced numerous bills to improve provisions in the SAFE-T Act or even repeal it. Our neighborhoods and communities continue to be less safe because of this law, with repeat offenders a major issue and violent acts committed by criminals who should be

behind bars. Democrats’ soft-on-crime policies continue to put innocent lives in danger, including those who work in law enforcement. Illinois families deserve better from their state government, and our priorities must change.”

Rep. Dennis Tipsword serves Illinois House District 105. For more information, contact Rep. Tipsword’s District Office in Pontiac at 815-844-9344, or visit his website at reptipsword.com.



Prayer To
The Virgin
Mary

Oh most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God. Immaculate

Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary Mother, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse inthee (3X). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (3X). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evils against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. MML

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King Crossword

(ANSWERS ON PAGE 2)

ACROSS

- 1 "Caught ya!"
- 4 Spring melt-down
- 8 Baby's bed
- 12 Barbecue seasoning
- 13 Meditative exercise
- 14 Verdi heroine
- 15 Muffin-like treats
- 17 General — Chicken
- 18 Couturier Christian
- 19 Bracelet site
- 20 Liniment targets
- 22 "Arrivederci —"
- 24 One-named supermodel
- 25 Castle features
- 29 Unruly group
- 30 Ram
- 31 Solidify
- 32 Short extracts
- 34 Taj Mahal site
- 35 TV host Kelly
- 36 Analyze
- 37 Poultry choice
- 40 Humdrum
- 41 Honker
- 42 Marching band section
- 46 Scrambled wd.

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- 50 Whig rival
- 51 Bagel topper
- 7 Existed
- 8 40 winks
- 9 Jeopardize
- 10 Teen fave
- 11 Pyramid part
- 16 Carriage
- 19 You love (Lat.)
- 20 Goals
- 21 "Let's go!"
- 22 Indian yogurt dish
- 23 Unrefined metals
- 25 Get ready, briefly
- 26 Paint finish
- 27 Prefix with byte
- 28 Do in
- 30 Neat as —
- 33 Plug parts
- 34 Now, on a memo
- 36 Makeup brand
- 37 Scorch
- 38 Highly rated
- 39 Baby carriage
- 40 Duelist Aaron
- 42 Youngster
- 43 MGM rival
- 44 Eastern path
- 45 Boston team, for short

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