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PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10, Article III of the Constitution of Nebraska, the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, First Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the George W. Norris Chamber of the State Capitol, at the hour of ten o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 is now called to order. We will start with a prayer by the chaplain.

HARLAND JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: We'll now have a Presentation of the Colors.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT ROBAK: I now call the Legislature to order. Will senators please record their presence. For the new senators, if you will indicate your presence by pushing your green button. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read list of those senators present. See page 1 of the Legislative Journal.) We do have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now turn to appointment of temporary officers. Chair recognizes Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I move to appoint Mr. Patrick J. O'Donnell as temporary Clerk of the Legislature, and Ms. Lynne Haas as temporary Sergeant at Arms. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Motion before you is the appointment of temporary officers. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed nay. Motion carries. Chair recognizes Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes, thank you, Madam President. I move that we proceed to the election of five persons to serve as the