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PRESIDENT SHEEHY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the first day of the One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Senator Wightman. Would you all please rise.

SENATOR WIGHTMAN: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Wightman. We will now have the Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska Army and Air National Guard.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you to the members of our Nebraska Army and Air National Guard. Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, is now called to order. Will senators please record your presence. Mr. Clerk, please record. (Gavel)

CLERK: (Roll read, Legislative Journal page 59.) I do have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Lautenbaugh for a motion to adopt the temporary rules.

SENATOR LAUTENBAUGH: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I move that the rules, as now in our possession, be adopted until such time as the permanent rules are adopted pursuant to Rule 2, Section 1, provided that the temporary rules shall not continue after the tenth legislative day.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: The motion before you is the adoption of the temporary rules. All those in favor say aye. Opposed, nay. The motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, we'll now

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move to resignation and appointment letters.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first item is a certification of the roster of the One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session, roster of membership, as compiled by the Secretary of State, certified. That will be acknowledged in the Journal. That's all that I have in regards to that issue, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 60-61.)

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, do you have further messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Thank you. A series of appointments letters from the Governor, appointments made to the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; to the Game and Parks Commission; to the State Electrical Board; the Tax Equalization Review Commission; the Board of Educational Lands and Funds; the Commission of the Blind and Visually Impaired; State Emergency Response Commission; and the State Fair Board. All of those will be referred to Reference for a referral to standing committee for confirmation hearing. Mr. President, a communication from the Governor regarding the designation of January 5, 2010, as George W. Norris Day in the state of Nebraska. Mr. President, a series of name adds: Senator Krist would like to add his name to LB67, and Senator Howard to LB25. A series of reports have been received in the Clerk's Office since the Legislature adjourned its special session in November of this year. Those reports will be on file and available for member review in the Clerk's Office. That's all that I had, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 61-67.) [LB67 LB25]

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We will now proceed to introduction of new bills. Mr. Clerk, do you have new bills on your desk?

CLERK: (Read LB682-701 by title for the first time.) That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 67-70.) [LB682 LB683 LB684 LB685 LB686 LB687 LB688 LB689 LB690 LB691 LB692 LB693 LB694 LB695 LB696 LB697 LB698 LB699 LB700 LB701]

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Doctor of the day introduced.) Mr. Clerk, you have bills for introduction.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. New bills. (Read LB702-714 by title for the first time.) And that's all I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 70-72.) [LB702 LB703 LB704 LB705 LB706 LB707 LB708 LB709 LB710 LB711 LB712 LB713 LB714]

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, (Read LB715-736 by title for the first time.) Mr. President, an

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announcement. The Urban Affairs Committee will meet in Executive Session upon adjournment on the Chamber floor; Urban Affairs, upon adjournment on the floor. (Legislative Journal pages 72-75.) [LB715 LB716 LB717 LB718 LB719 LB720 LB721 LB722 LB723 LB724 LB725 LB726 LB727 LB728 LB729 LB730 LB731 LB732 LB733 LB734 LB735 LB736]

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Recorder malfunction)

ASSISTANT CLERK: I do, Mr. President. (Read LB737-762 by title for the first time, Legislative Journal pages 75-79.) [LB737 LB738 LB739 LB740 LB741 LB742 LB743 LB744 LB745 LB746 LB747 LB748 LB749 LB750 LB751 LB752 LB753 LB754 LB755 LB756 LB757 LB758 LB759 LB760 LB761 LB762]

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, do you have new bills for introduction?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. (Read LB763-765 by title for the first time.) New resolutions, Mr. President, LR270 by Senator Mello would congratulate the Salvation Army on the opening of the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Omaha. LR271CA by Senator Pirsch is a proposed constitutional amendment to permit the Legislature to exempt from taxation for a period of six years the increased value of real property resulting from construction or improvements to a homeowner's residence. LR272 by Senator Giese would recognize the Ponca Indians on the 2009 Class C2 state football championship. LR273 by Senator Howard would recognize the resolutions of other states in regards to the Turkish government. LR274 by Senator Howard would recognize March as the public awareness about the contribution of professionals in the field of professional social work. Name adds: Senator Wallman to LB710. An announcement that Urban Affairs will be meeting under the north balcony immediately upon adjournment. (Legislative Journal pages 79-85.) [LB763 LB764 LB765 LR270 LR271CA LR272 LR273 LR274 LB710]

And I have a priority motion. Senator Gloor would move to adjourn until Thursday, January 7, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: You have heard the motion to adjourn until Thursday, January 7, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. All those in favor say aye. Opposed, nay. We are adjourned.