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PRESIDENT FOLEY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT FOLEY: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO THE GEORGE W. NORRIS LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER FOR THE THIRD DAY OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION. OUR CHAPLAIN FOR TODAY IS SENATOR BOB KRIST. PLEASE RISE.

SENATOR KRIST: BEFORE WE PRAY TODAY, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR A YOUNG MAN THAT WAS A PART OF THIS LEGISLATIVE FAMILY THAT PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY. HE WAS CHRIS KEETLE, A CRITICAL PART OF THE SUCCESS OF SENATOR DENNIS BYARS, SENATOR LOWEN KRUSE, SENATOR DEB FISCHER, SENATOR CHARLIE JANSSEN, AND OUR NEW SENATOR, DAVID SCHNOOR. A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE. (PRAYER OFFERED.)

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR KRIST. I CALL TO ORDER THE THIRD DAY OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION. SENATORS, PLEASE RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. ROLL CALL. MR. CLERK, PLEASE RECORD.

CLERK: I HAVE A QUORUM PRESENT, MR. PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: DO YOU HAVE ANY CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL, MR. CLERK?

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE NO CORRECTIONS.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: DO YOU HAVE MESSAGES, REPORTS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS?

CLERK: I DO, MR. PRESIDENT. THE REVENUE COMMITTEE HAS SELECTED SENATOR SCHUMACHER AS THE VICE CHAIR OF THE REVENUE COMMITTEE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. ANNOUNCEMENTS: THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL MEET TODAY AT 10:30, AND ON MONDAY...I'M SORRY, TODAY THEY WILL MEET UPON ADJOURNMENT. ON MONDAY, JANUARY 12, THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL MEET AT 10:30. MR. PRESIDENT, SENATOR GARRETT WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE RULES COMMITTEE WILL MEET NEXT TUESDAY AT 1:30; RULES COMMITTEE WILL BE MEETING NEXT TUESDAY AT 1:30. AND

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THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE AT THIS TIME, MR. PRESIDENT. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 75.)

PRESIDENT FOLEY: CHAIR RECOGNIZES SENATOR...EXCUSE ME, SPEAKER HADLEY FOR AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. YOU WILL BE GETTING A SHEET SHORTLY FROM ME THAT WILL BE LISTING SOME OF THE KEY DATES AS WE GO THROUGH THE FIRST PART OF THIS SESSION. THEY'LL BE THE TIMES THAT WE'RE STARTING IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS, WHAT WE WILL BE COVERING; ALSO THE TIMES THAT THE SPEAKER PRIORITY BILLS HAVE TO BE IN, THE REGULAR PRIORITY BILLS, THE DATES FOR THOSE; AND WHEN WE WILL START FULL-DAY HEARINGS ON THE...OR SESSIONS ON THE FLOOR; AND WHEN HEARINGS CHANGE. I WILL ALSO GIVE OUT THE PERMANENT SCHEDULE. SO THAT WILL BE COMING OUT TO YOUR DESKS SHORTLY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT IT, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CALL ME OR SEE ME OR SEE LAURIE. LAURIE HAS THEM. LAURIE JUST CAME IN THE DOOR AND SHE'S GOING TO HAVE THE PAGES HAND THOSE OUT. BUT IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT, PLEASE SEE ME. I WAS TEMPTED TO HAVE A LATE-NIGHT SESSION RIGHT AWAY JUST TO LET THE NEW FRESHMEN UNDERSTAND WHAT IT'S LIKE HERE AT 10:00 AT NIGHT, BUT SOMEBODY TALKED ME OUT OF THAT. (LAUGH) THEY THREATENED TO SHOOT ME, AS A MATTER OF FACT, SO WE WON'T BE DOING THAT. BUT JUST AS A KEY POINT, THE MORE WE CAN MOVE THINGS ALONG, THE EASIER IT BECOMES FOR US AT THE END OF THE SESSION SO WE'RE NOT SITTING HERE FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS AT THE END OF THE SESSION WITH LATE-NIGHT SESSIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, MR. SPEAKER. SENATOR KRIST, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED FOR AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

SENATOR KRIST: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO YOU. COMING BACK INTO THE CHAMBER, YOU WON'T BE ONE OF US, REALLY, BUT IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN. THE EXEC BOARD REFERENCING FUNCTION WILL MEET TODAY IMMEDIATELY UPON ADJOURNMENT. AND I AM ASKING ALL OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AS WELL. THE FIRST 15 MINUTES WILL BE A TUTORIAL ON HOW WE ACTUALLY REFERENCE. AND I THINK WE NEED TO GO THROUGH IT WITH THE NEW MEMBERS THAT ARE THE NEW FOLKS ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, AS WELL AS THE CHAIRS, TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NO MISUNDERSTANDING. SO, PLEASE, CHAIRS, I INVITE YOU TO ATTEND FOR AT LEAST THE FIRST 15 MINUTES OF THE EXEC BOARD, WHICH WILL MEET IMMEDIATELY UPON ADJOURNMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR.

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PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR KRIST. SENATOR SCHNOOR, FOR WHAT PURPOSE DO YOU RISE?

SENATOR SCHNOOR: I RISE TO A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO FIRST OFF THANK EVERYBODY WITHIN THIS ENTIRE BUILDING WHO HAS OFFERED HELP AND SUPPORT ON CHRIS'S PASSING. AND I OFFER DEEP CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY. I ONLY KNEW CHRIS FOR A MONTH SO MY EXPERIENCE WITH HIM WAS LIMITED. I KNEW EVERYBODY ELSE HERE HAS KNOWN HIM FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. HE WAS A GREAT MAN AND HE'S GOING BE SORELY MISSED AND I JUST ASK EVERYBODY TO PRAY FOR HIS FAMILY AND ALL THAT KNEW HIM. SO, THANK YOU.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR SCHNOOR. SENATORS, THE TREATS THAT ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED ON THE FLOOR ARE COURTESY OF DAVID BLOOMFIELD, DISTRICT 17, WHO IS CELEBRATING HIS BIRTHDAY TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SENATOR BLOOMFIELD. WE WILL PROCEED TO INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS. MR. CLERK.

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, IF I MAY BEFORE THAT, THE AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE WILL MEET UNDERNEATH THE SOUTH BALCONY IMMEDIATELY; THE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE, I GUESS AT 10:30, SENATOR, 10:30, SOUTH BALCONY. MR. PRESIDENT, NEW BILLS. (READ LB114-129 BY TITLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.) THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE AT THIS TIME, MR. PRESIDENT. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 75-78.) [LB114 LB115 LB116 LB117 LB118 LB119 LB120 LB121 LB122 LB123 LB124 LB125 LB126 LB127 LB128 LB129]

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. SENATORS, WE WILL MOVE TO A REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES. MR. CLERK.

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, SENATOR McCOY, AS CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES, OFFERS THE FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES. I BELIEVE COPIES WERE DISTRIBUTED THIS MORNING TO THE MEMBERS ON THE FLOOR. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 78-80.)

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. SENATOR McCOY, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED TO OPEN ON THE REPORT.

SENATOR McCOY: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS. AND AS HAS BEEN JUST MENTIONED BY THE CLERK, THE FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO YOU ON YOUR

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DESKS THIS MORNING. AND I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY CHANGES TO THAT. WE HAVE VOTED ON THIS AND SPENT A GOOD DEAL OF TIME AS A COMMITTEE WORKING ON THIS. AND I OFFER IT UP TO THE FULL BODY THIS MORNING. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR McCOY. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION ON THE REPORT? SEEING NO MEMBERS WISHING TO SPEAK, SENATOR McCOY, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED TO CLOSE ON THE REPORT. SENATOR McCOY WAIVES CLOSING. THE QUESTION IS THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES' REPORT. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED WHO CARE TO? RECORD PLEASE, MR. CLERK.

CLERK: 36 AYES, 0 NAYS, MR. PRESIDENT, ON THE ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES' REPORT.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THE REPORT IS ADOPTED. (DOCTOR OF THE DAY INTRODUCED.) SENATORS, AT THIS TIME, IF ANY OF YOU HAVE BILLS THAT YOU'D LIKE TO HAVE INTRODUCED, PLEASE BRING THEM FORWARD TO THE CLERK'S DESK. THANK YOU. SENATOR JOHNSON WOULD LIKE TO REMIND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL BE MEETING UNDER THE BALCONY AT 10:30 A.M., A COUPLE MINUTES. THANK YOU, SENATOR JOHNSON. NEW BILLS, MR. CLERK.

ASSISTANT CLERK: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, NEW BILLS: (READ LB130-145 BY TITLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.) THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE AT THIS TIME, MR. PRESIDENT. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 80-83.) [LB130 LB131 LB132 LB133 LB134 LB135 LB136 LB137 LB138 LB139 LB140 LB141 LB142 LB143 LB144 LB145]

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. SENATOR SCHEER WOULD LIKE SENATORS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE BANKING, COMMERCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE TO KNOW THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL BE MEETING AT 11:00 A.M. IN ROOM 2022. THANK YOU. SENATORS, WE'RE GOING TO ADJOURN IN ABOUT TEN MINUTES. IF YOU HAVE BILLS THAT YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE TODAY, YOU MIGHT WANT TO BRING THOSE FORWARD IN THE NEXT TEN MINUTES TO THE CLERK'S DESK. THANK YOU. MR. CLERK, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED FOR NEW BILLS.

CLERK: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. (READ LB146-156 BY TITLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.) THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE AT THIS TIME, MR. PRESIDENT. IN ADDITION, MR. PRESIDENT, NEW RESOLUTIONS: LR7CA IS A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OFFERED BY SENATOR SCHUMACHER. THAT WILL BE REFERRED TO REFERENCE FOR REFERRAL TO STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC HEARING. I ALSO HAVE LR8 BY SENATOR JOHNSON,

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AND LR9 BY SENATOR GLOOR; THOSE WILL BE LAID OVER. ANNOUNCEMENTS: THE CHAIR OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SENATOR BRASCH HAS BEEN SELECTED VICE CHAIR OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. EDUCATION COMMITTEE, SENATOR SULLIVAN WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SENATOR KOLOWSKI HAS BEEN SELECTED AS VICE CHAIR. A REMINDER, MR. PRESIDENT, THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE WILL MEET UPON ADJOURNMENT IN ROOM 2102. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 83-87.) [LB146 LB147 LB148 LB149 LB150 LB151 LB152 LB153 LB154 LB155 LB156 LR7CA LR8 LR9]

AND I HAVE A PRIORITY MOTION. SENATOR CRAWFORD WOULD MOVE TO ADJOURN THE BODY UNTIL MONDAY, JANUARY 12, AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESIDENT FOLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. THE QUESTION IS THE MOTION TO ADJOURN. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE. ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY NAY. WE ARE ADJOURNED.