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KELLY: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the 23rd day of the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain today is a guest of Senator Hughes, Pastor James Irwin of the Holy Savior Church, Lincoln, Nebraska. Please raise.

PASTOR IRWIN: We pray. Almighty God, preserve our nation and state in justice and honor so we may lead a peaceful life of integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear the office in our land, especially to the President and Congress of the United States, the Governor of this state, the representatives of our Nebraska Unicameral and all who make, administer and judge our laws. And help them to serve these people of Nebraska according to your holy will. Take from us all hatred and prejudice. Give us the spirit of love and dispose our days in your peace. Prosper the labor of those who take counsel for the state of Nebraska so that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all people. We pray this in your loving name. Amen.

KELLY: Thank you, Pastor Irwin. I recognize Senator Lowe for the Pledge of Allegiance.

LOWE: Please join with me in the Pledge of Allegiance. I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

KELLY: Thank you. I call to order the 23rd day of the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, First Session. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: There's a quorum present, Mr. President.

KELLY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I do have one correction, Mr. President. On page 454, line 21, replace "9:30 a.m." with "1:30 p.m." That's all I have for corrections.

KELLY: Thank you. Are there any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: There are, Mr. President. First of all, announcement. The General Affairs Committee will hold an Executive Session at 9:00 under the north balcony. General Affairs, now, Exec Session under the north

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balcony. Additionally, a communication from the Governor concerning appointments to the Nebraska State College System, the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission-District 5. Notice of committee hearing from the Appropriations Committee, Education Committee, Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Mr. President, your Committee on Education, chaired by Senator Murman, reports LB298 and LB299 to General File. Additionally, your Committee on Revenue, chaired by Senator Linehan, reports LB146, LB147 and LB4 to General File. LB4-- excuse me and LB74 and LB206 with LB4, LB74, and LB206 all having committee amendments. Amendments to be printed: Senator Murman to LB810; Senator Murman as well to LB71; and Senator Murman to LB811. Amendments to be printed: Senator Hunt to LB574, LB626, LB575; Senator Brandt, amendment to LB11-- excuse me, LB116 and LB321. New LR [LR36] from Senator Lippincott. That will be laid over. Additionally, LR37 from Senator Raybould. That will be laid over as well. Announcements: the Health and Human Services Committee will conduct its hearing on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, in Room 1525, and the Natural Resources Committee will conduct its hearing in Room 1510. Additionally, the Education Committee hearing on February 13, 2023, on LB99, LB201 and LB575 will be held at 3:00-- excuse me, 1:30 p.m. instead of 9:30 a.m. Education Committee on LB99, LB201 and LB575 will be held at 1:30 p.m. instead of 9:30 a.m. An announcement: the Government Committee will hold an Executive Session this Wednesday after their hearing-- tomorrow after their hearing. Government Committee, Exec Session, Wednesday after the afternoon hearing. That's all I have at this time, Mr. President.

KELLY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. While in leg-- while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose and do hereby sign LR32, LR33, and LR34. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Name adds: Senator Aguilar to LB10; Senator DeBoer to LB94; Senator Conrad to LB199; Hunt to LB201; Aguilar to LB216; Conrad to LB236; Senator Hunt to LB248, LB272 and LB405; Senator Erdman and Senator Lippincott to LB419; Senator Hardin to LB458; Senator Hunt to LB557; Conrad, LB736; Hunt, LB755; Brewer, LB772; Hunt, LB773 and LB774; McDonnell, LB805; Clements, Wayne and Erdman also to LB805 Finally, Mr. President, a priority motion. Senator Sanders would move to adjourn the body until Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

KELLY: Senators, the question is, should the Legislature adjourn for the day? All those in favor say aye. All those opposed nay. The-- we are adjourned for the day.