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you most sincerely, all of you, for your cooperation. Many of the disagreements we have had we were able to work out without causing too many lasting hard feelings. I certainly hope so. Some of them even escaped the inquiring ears, eyes and electronic machinery of Partsch and Kotok, I might add. But after all, I think we all realize we all work for the same employer, the Nebraska taxpayer and citizen, and that a better Nebraska is our common goal. Lastly, I would like to pay tribute to each and everyone of you here individually. However, there isn't time for that. But you all deserve a special expression of thanks. You work darn hard for your four hundred bucks. You work conscientiously as well. I've been in those shoes and I know some of the abuse you take and some of the pressures you feel, and I can't say it too much that I've got deep respect for each and every one of you out there, regardless of philosophy, party, or whatever it is. That's totally secondary. And I salute each and every one of you. But as a symbol of the success of this legislative session, I would like to pay tribute to one person, an old basketball player, who in my opinion, has just had his best tournament...a veteran legislator who has kept this session running in a manner that many of you have described as the best ever. I, of course, refer to your Speaker, Senator Dick Marvel of Hastings. He has done a bang-up job.....well, you said it for me. I had two more lines, but he's gotten enough. Thank you all again for your hospitality, your courtesy, and your patience to your Governor, and Godspeed to you all.

PRESIDENT: The Speaker would like to say just a few words before we bring it to a halt.

SPEAKER MARVEL: I would like to say only one thing that it's working together that has solved the problem, it's disagreeing and then after we disagree, we come together. We disagreed this afternoon and I know we will leave with warm thoughts rather than cold thoughts, and I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for all of your cooperation and putting up with some of my idiosyncrasies. Have a good summer. Come back in the fall refreshed so we can continue. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Herb Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I move that the Eighty-Sixth Legislature, First Session of the Legislature, having finished all business before