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PRESIDENT: We are right on time with the special ceremony for the 1982 Mother recognition and, Mr. Clerk, if you have some matters to read in, you may do so at this time.

CLERK: Mr. President, one brief item, a new A bill by Senator Johnson, 520A. (Read title).

PRESIDENT: While we are waiting, Senator Rumery has his granddaughter, Amy Phares, of North Platte. Amy, where are you? Would you come out and be recognized. You are welcomed to the Legislature, Amy. Welcome. The Legislature will be at ease until we see if the Mothers of the Year are ready to come in. If not, why we won't wait too long. We will proceed with our business. Perhaps the Sergeant at Arms could advise me if they are about ready to come in. We will be at ease for a moment. While we are waiting then, the Chair would like to introduce from Senator Warner's District some 47 students from Waverly and Eagle, Mrs. Stall and Mrs. Helsing, teachers. They are up here in the South balcony. They just came in and they are waving up there. Welcome to your Legislature, Waverly and Eagle. The Chair recognizes Sergeant at Arms, Ray Wilson.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Mr. President, we have lots of love amidst our chambers this morning. We have the Mother of the Year, the Young Mother of the Year and the chairman of the Nebraska Mothers of the Year Committee. The Mother of the Year is being escorted by Senator Barrett, the Young Mother by Senator Nichol and Mrs. Hasebroock by Senator Marsh.

PRESIDENT: The escorts will bring in the Mother of the Year, the Junior Mother of the Year and Mrs. Hasebroock. We would be pleased at this time to have Senator Barrett introduce the State Mother of the Year. Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, friends and guests, it is my distinct pleasure this morning to present to you Mrs. Rodney A. Sitorius of Cozad, Nebraska, better known as Virginia, who has just been selected Nebraska's 1982 Mother of the Year. Virginia's accomplishments are almost legendary and far too numerous to enumerate at this time but I would, I believe, call your attention to just a couple of points. One of the criteria for the selection of Mother of the Year includes the accomplishments of the mother's children. Virginia is the mother of six very fine children, all of them involved in some phase of the medical profession. Virginia's husband, Dr. Rodney, has been a practicing medical doctor in Cozad for many years. One other accomplishment that I feel that I should call to