

affirmative, the bill is declared passed. I think we are now ready for our Mother of the Year ceremony. Mr. Sergeant-at-Arms, are you ready to go here? The Chair recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms.

MOTHER OF THE YEAR CEREMONY

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Mr. President, this is Mother's Day in Lincoln, Nebraska, in that it is for two very special ladies, the Mother of the Year and the Young Mother of the Year, who will be presented by the President of the Mother of the Year Organization, Mrs. Marie Fry. The Mother of the Year will be escorted by Senator Hoagland. The Young Mother of the Year will be escorted by Senator Nichol. The President of the Mother of the Year Organization will be escorted by Senator Warner.

PRESIDENT: Will the Speaker and the senators please escort the guests into the Chamber. (Gavel.) For the presentation of the format of our 1985 Mothers of the Year ceremony, I have the honor to present to you now, Mrs. John Fry.

MRS. FRY: Thank you, Mr. President, Mr. Speaker and members of our State Legislature. It is an honor, again, to be here this year to bring you our 1985 Mothers of the Year. I am President of the Nebraska State Mothers Association. We are a part of American Mothers, Incorporated, a national organization. Today we are recognizing our mothers and honoring them and, by so doing, we are fulfilling part of our purpose of strengthening the moral and spiritual foundations of the home by recognizing the important role that the mothers play in the community, the family, the home and the nation. Many have said, as did our President in his State of the Union address a few weeks ago, as the family goes, so goes the nation. These specially chosen mothers will represent us at the...represent us and the State of Nebraska at the National American Mothers Conference in New York in April, at which time national mothers are chosen. We hope that you will invite them to come to your communities and maybe speak to some of your organizations, your civic organizations, church organizations because we want them to feel that they are part of the State of Nebraska. We hope that you will honor them. We thank each one of you senators for the long hours you put in to help our State of Nebraska become a better state in which to live. Now, Senator Hoagland will introduce our 1985 Mother