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basically social purposes. So, I am going to vote against the appointment. But let me not suggest, nor did I suggest the gentleman was not qualified from the standpoint of education, experience, those types of things. Let me further suggest, as I said, that you do have a problem in, I think, the way that your statutes and Constitution read on appointments, and it should be something you deal with in the future. It's been there since about 1972 or '73. And, as I say, this kind of illustrates it

SPEAKER NICHOL: Does anyone wish to speak on the approval? We are now ready for the approval of...okay, Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. President and members of this legislative body. I rise to strongly give my support for Dr. Hayden. Dr. Hayden was the advisor of my graduate committee at the University of Nebraska. I have worked, through my service in the Legislature, on a number of research projects with this gentleman. I highly recommend his skills to be used for our investment committee, for your dollars and my dollars as employees. My retirement dollars aren't there yet, but I still have hopes of some day their being there. But, as representatives for all state employees, we want the very best, and Dr. Hayden is one of those who I consider the very best.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the approval of F. Gregory Hayden to the Investment Council. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, record vote. (Read record vote as found on page 124 of the Legislative Journal.) 25 ayes, 11 nays to approve the appointment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. Hayden is approved. Anything further, Mr. Clerk? I understand we have some closing activities that you would probably be interested in. Senator Morehead is coming to the podium. Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Could I ask Senator Eret to come forward, please. Colleagues, this is one of those bittersweet moments for me that I suppose we all have in our lives more than once. Don and I met four years ago on the campaign trail, doing the barbecued chicken and, in our area, sauerkraut and duck circuit, right, Don; through all the Czech festivals and all of the community days. We shared that again this summer on the campaign trail. I know that Don worked hard, just as hard as any candidate, any one of you who has run for