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Legislature, I rise to place in nomination the name of my good friend and neighbor, Senator Lee Rupp. Senator Rupp has served ably and capably for several years in this body. He has, in addition to that, an excellent history of participation in the Game and Parks division of the State of Nebraska. He has also, over the years, developed a great interest in agriculture. His father, his parents come from a long line of farmers. They have an excellent background in that area. I think he is uniquely qualified to serve as the chairman of this committee. I heartily endorse his election.

PRESIDENT: The name of Senator Lee Rupp is placed in nomination for chairman. Are there other nominations? Are there other nominations for this chairmanship? Senator Schmit, would you care to make a subsequent motion?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am very pleased to move that Senator Rupp be elected to the chairmanship of this committee by acclamation.

PRESIDENT: The motion is for the cessation of nominations and for unanimous election of Senator Rupp as chairman. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Motion carried. Senator Rupp.

SENATOR RUPP: Mr. President, colleagues, I would just like to say briefly thank you, and to reaffirm something that you know already, that Senator Labeledz will be a real difficult act to follow. As you all know she has chaired this committee very well for four years. If there would be one word to describe her performance of that duty and all her duties in this body it would be class. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: We will proceed to the nomination for chairmanship of the Committee on Education. Nominations are in order. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, I would like to place in nomination the name of Tom Vickers for Chairman of the Education Committee. I guess I can't think of anybody else in the Legislature that I would be happier nominating for a committee chairmanship than Tom Vickers. Just to give you a bit of history, I think you all know, those of you who have been around know that Tom has been interested in and dedicated to education