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- 46 Congratulate the Alliance High School girls' basketball team for  
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- 47 Congratulate Michael V. Hall for earning the rank of Eagle Scout  
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- 48 Congratulate the Ewing High School girls' basketball team for  
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- 49 Congratulate the Crofton High School girls' basketball team for  
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- 50 Congratulate the Bellevue West High School girls' basketball  
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- 51 Congratulate Bradley Duane Borytsky, Joseph Wier, Austin  
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- 52 Congratulate the Wauneta-Palisade boys' basketball team for  
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- 53 Congratulate the Ponca High School boys' basketball team for  
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- 54 Proclaim April 2-6, 2007, as Graduate and Professional Student  
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- 55 Congratulate the St. Edward High School boys' basketball team  
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(McDonald)..... 849, 952
- 56 Congratulate the Ainsworth High School boys' basketball team for  
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- 57 Congratulate Phillip Johnson for earning the rank of Eagle Scout (Dubas)..... 883, 952
- 58 Congratulate the Omaha Central High School boys' basketball team for winning the Class A state championship (Synowiecki) ..... 883, 952
- 59 Designate September 24-28, 2007, as Nebraska School Bullying Awareness Week (Howard, Adams, Ashford, Avery, Johnson, Kopplin, McDonald, Preister) ..... 927, 1057
- 60 Express sympathy to the family of former State Senator Thomas S. Fitzgerald (Pirsch)..... 933, 1057
- 61 Congratulate Brentley Brandquist for earning the rank of Eagle Scout (Kruse) ..... 940, 1057
- 62 Honor the memory of Charles Werner Warren and his many achievements for the betterment of the environment (Howard) ..... 947, 1057
- 63 Recognize March, 2007, as Professional Social Work Month in Nebraska (Howard) ..... 950, 1057
- 64 Recognize November, 2007, as Adoption Awareness Month in Nebraska (Howard) ..... 955, 1161
- 65 Recognize April, 2007, as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Nebraska (Howard) ..... 956, 1161
- 66 Congratulate the Battle Creek High School speech team for winning the Class C1-5 District speech championship and the nine members who qualified for the state competition (Flood)..... 960, 1161
- 67 Interim study to examine issues relating to public and private highway and rail crossings (Transportation and Telecommunications Committee, and Dubas)..... 973, 1675
- 68 Congratulate the community of Stanton on its sesquicentennial celebration (Rogert) ..... 1064, 1161
- 69 Congratulate Benjamin Paxton for earning the rank of Eagle Scout (Fischer) ..... 1108, 1218
- 70 Extend sympathy to the family of Constantine "Connie" Lapaseotes (Erdman) ..... 1159, 1218
- 71 Congratulate the Ogallala High School boys' cross country team for winning the 2006 Class B state cross country 5K run championship (Erdman) ..... 1159, 1218

- 72 Congratulate Tyler Gifford for his achievement at the 2007 Class D-1 state wrestling championship (Erdman) ..... 1160, 1218
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- 74 Interim study to analyze the fiscal impact of making K-12 public school teachers employees of the State of Nebraska (Hudkins) ..... 1171, 1675
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- 77 Interim study to examine the issue of electronic waste recycling (Preister)..... 1186, 1675
- 78 Interim study to examine issues relating to the Open Meetings Act (Preister)..... 1186, 1675
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- 80 Interim study to examine the need for cost-benefit analyses to be conducted on services contracts entered into by the State of Nebraska (Preister)..... 1187, 1676
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- 83 Congratulate Tiger Tom Lynch on his induction into the Metro Omaha Softball Association Hall of Fame (White) ..... 1247, 1475
- 84 Congratulate the Dry Bean Commission, its staff, and the growers and processors of dry beans for the twenty-year history of success (Erdman, Dubas, Harms, Karpisek, Loudon, McDonald, Preister, Wallman)..... 1247, 1475
- 85 Interim study to direct the Health and Human Services Committee to study the availability of autism treatment programs in the state (Pahls) ..... 1262, 1676
- 86 Interim study to examine the method used to verify proof of automobile liability insurance and to examine ways to increase compliance (Pahls) ..... 1262, 1676
- 87 Congratulate Judge Cloyd Clark for his outstanding service to the citizens of southwest Nebraska (Christensen) ..... 1268, 1475

- 88 Congratulate Servalia Levels-Johnson for winning the 2007 Women of Wisdom Award and recognize her accomplishments (Kruse) ..... 1284, 1475
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- 91 Interim study to examine if more can be done through legislation to protect citizens from the crime of identity theft (Pahls) ..... 1302, 1676
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