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PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN PRESIDING

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Good morning. Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the first day of the One Hundred Third Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for the day is Senator Harms. Please rise.

SENATOR HARMS: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Thank you, Senator Harms. We will now have the Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska Army and Air National Guard.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the One Hundred Third Legislature, Second Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol at the hour of 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2014, is now called to order. Will the senators please record your presence. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: (Roll read, Legislative Journal page 73.) I have a quorum.

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Thank you. The Chair recognizes Senator Lautenbaugh. Excuse me, the Chair recognizes Senator Adams. (Laughter)

SPEAKER ADAMS: Mr. President, I move that the rules as are now in our possession be adopted until such time as the permanent rules are adopted pursuant to Rule 2, Section 1, provided that the temporary rules shall not continue after the tenth legislative day. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: The motion before you is the adoption of temporary rules. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. The motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, resignation and appointment letters.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a communication from former Senator Scott Price announcing his retirement from the Legislature. Subsequent to that action, a

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communication from the Governor appointing Mr. Tommy Garrett as the senator for the Third Legislative District. I have all the accompanying paperwork associated with that appointment, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 74-76.)

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Would the Legislature like to recognize our new Senator Garrett? Mr. Clerk, do you have any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do have the roster for the membership of the One Hundred Third Legislature, Second Session, and certified by the Secretary of State. I also have a series of appointment letters from the Governor received during the interim period: appointments to the Nebraska Power Review Board; to the State Emergency Response Commission; to the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling; to the Nebraska Exchange Stakeholder Commission; to the position of Adjutant General; to the Crime Victim's Reparations Committee; to the Nebraska Board of Parole; to the Commission of Industrial Relations; to the Technical Advisory Committee of Statewide Assessment; the Nebraska Ethanol Board; to the Nebraska State Highway Commission; to the Nebraska State Electrical Board; to the Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board; to the Environmental Quality Council; to the Nebraska Exchange Stakeholder Commission; to the State Board of Health; to the Rural Health Advisory Commission; to the Environmental Quality Council; to the Director as the Director of the Department of Corrections; the Nebraska Arts Council; to the Rural Health Advisory Commission; to the Technical Advisory Committee for Statewide Assessment; the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; the State Tax Commissioner; the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; the Board of Educational Lands and Funds; the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; the State Board of Health; to the Board of Emergency Medical Services; to the State Emergency Response Commission; to the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission; to the Nebraska Commission on the Blind and Visually Impaired; to the Nebraska Investment Council; to the Nebraska State Fair Board; to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; to the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission; to the Public Employees Retirement Board; to the Nebraska Power Review Board; the executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice; and a communication and appointment from Secretary of State John Gale to the political Accountability and Disclosure Commission. Mr. President, in addition to those items, the Clerk's Office has received a series of reports from a number of state agencies. Those reports are acknowledged and available on the legislative Web site and available for member review as filed there. I have also received communications from the state of Utah, from the state of Montana, and from the Arkansas Legislature regarding resolutions passed by those bodies. And, finally, Mr. President, the declaration by Governor Heineman as proclaiming January 5 as George W. Norris Day. That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 76-99.)

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PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We will proceed to the introduction of new bills. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB656-686 by title for the first time.) That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 100-105.) [LB656 LB657 LB658 LB659 LB660 LB661 LB662 LB663 LB664 LB665 LB666 LB667 LB668 LB669 LB670 LB671 LB672 LB673 LB674 LB675 LB676 LB677 LB678 LB679 LB680 LB681 LB682 LB683 LB684 LB685 LB686]

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Doctor of the day introduced.) Mr. Clerk for some bills.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. (Read LB687-717 by title for the first time.) That's all I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 105-110.) [LB687 LB688 LB689 LB690 LB691 LB692 LB693 LB694 LB695 LB696 LB697 LB698 LB699 LB700 LB701 LB702 LB703 LB704 LB705 LB706 LB707 LB708 LB709 LB710 LB711 LB712 LB713 LB714 LB715 LB716 LB717]

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Mr. Clerk for bills to read in.

CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. (Read LB718-724 by title for the first time.) In addition, Mr. President, new resolutions: LR390 by Senator Mello. That resolution will be laid over at this time. LR391 by Senator Avery. That, too, will be laid over at this time. I have amendments to be read: Senator Mello would like to print amendments to LB371; Senator Sullivan to LB438; Senator Dubas to LB249. Those all to be printed. An announcement from the Government Committee chaired by Senator Avery: The Government Committee has selected Senator Murante as their Vice Chairperson. I have a name add: Senator Kintner would like to add his name to LB381 as cointroducer. (Legislative Journal pages 110-115.) [LB718 LB719 LB720 LB721 LB722 LB723 LB724 LR390 LR391 LB371 LB438 LB249 LB381]

And, Mr. President, a priority motion. Senator Hansen would move to adjourn the body until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 9.

PRESIDENT HEIDEMANN: Members, the question is the motion to adjourn. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. We are adjourned.