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there are more hills to climb, but by working together we can lead Nebraska over the top toward a brighter future for all of us. So may I say, good luck, and, more importantly, God bless you. I look forward to working with you. Thank you. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Governor Orr. Will the committee please escort the Governor from the Chamber. Thank you, new members of the Legislature, two of you did a good job. (Laughter.) If you will just stand at ease or sit at ease for a few moments, maybe we can proceed.

EASE

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Secretary of State Beermann, somebody suggested that I introduce you as the late Secretary of State but I wouldn't do that. We're sorry for the mix-up but we're very happy that you are here. Would you please welcome Secretary of State Allen Beermann. (Applause.)

SECRETARY OF STATE BEERMANN: Mr. President and Mr. Speaker and members of this honorable body, as a member of the executive branch, we're delighted to be in your Chamber. At the Special Session last fall, we certified to this Chamber that a constitutional amendment had carried by a vote of the people at the primary with reference to the pay for the members that serve in this body. Now, in accordance with Article IV, Section 4, of the Constitution, I have the honor of herewith delivering to you, under Seal, the abstracts of votes cast in the 93 counties in the State of Nebraska at the General Election held November 8, 1988, for the offices of members of the Public Service Commission, Regents of the University of Nebraska and members of the State Board of Education, which votes are required by law to be canvassed by the Nebraska State Legislature, pursuant to state law and the Constitution. As required, we have delivered the abstracts by county and they are found in the rear of this Chamber. I also deliver to you, under Seal, the list of those candidates receiving the highest vote for each particular office enumerated. The certificate of the Secretary of State accompanies this list. The original abstract sheets containing the tabulation of votes from the 93 counties with reference to Constitutional Amendments and Initiative Measures is also attached. A certification of these returns is also attached. Inasmuch as canvass records are a part of the office of the Secretary of State, we respectfully request that