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the desk, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further on the desk, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: I'll recognize Senator Horgan for a motion.

SENATOR HORGAN: Thank you, Madam President and members, I move that a committee of five be appointed to advise the Governor that the Ninety-Second Legislature, First Session of the Nebraska State Legislature is about to complete its work and to return with any message the Governor may have for the Legislature.

PRESIDENT MOUL: You have heard the motion. All those in favor please say aye. Opposed nay. Okay, the motion is approved. I would like to ask the following senators to inform the Governor that we have completed our work. Senator Ashford, Senator Schimek, Senator Wickersham, Senator Moore and Senator Rasmussen. I will now recognize the Sergeant at Arms.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Madam Chairman, your committee escorting the Governor of Nebraska.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Committee, would you please escort the Governor. Governor of the State of Nebraska, Governor Ben Nelson.

GOVERNOR NELSON: Please be seated. Madam President, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, and all Nebraskans, I come here this evening to thank you for your work this session to move Nebraska ahead on many fronts in the early days of my administration and as well to ask your perseverance as we prepare to meet the challenges yet to come, especially the property tax crisis, perhaps our state's most serious challenge to date and perhaps yet to come. We've made progress by posturing and positioning the state for the future with enabling legislation for a number of areas, particularly for the Postsecondary Education Coordinating Commission, a direct approach for which the people of Nebraska have expressed their support and that will help us maximize the potential of higher education offerings for Nebraska's young people and nontraditional students and prepare them as well to become leaders in tomorrow challenging economy. We have given Nebraskans more access to the judicial system, paved the way for the expedition of justice and eased the burden on the docket of