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old, I am saying ol'. I think, Pages have been known, you can lift two Pages with a single bound back there, much to the consternation of many Pages in the past. But it has been a pleasure to serve with you, and you have been a stable and a steady hand to the Transportation Committee, Government Affairs Committee. Anything that you were assigned to do, you were there and made an impact. Even more so, we all know that we are going to be continuing to look forward to seeing you again, I am sure, because of your catering. In fact, you are one of the few in here that when we'd adjourn or recess, we'd go somewhere, and there you would be working, one of the few that we would actually see working in your other occupation because we saw you and Barb so many times in so many different places, and it continued throughout the year, and I think from that standpoint, we are going to see you again. And we look forward to seeing you again, and it is my honor to present you with your plaque tonight. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Beyer.

SENATOR BEYER: Well, Madam President, some say I will be missed, some say they will miss me, and I think Rogers said that I maybe pick on a few people a little too much, but that is my nature, and it has always been my nature. But I have enjoyed serving for 12 years in this body with a lot of senators. They come and go, and like Jerry says, that's part of the process and I think it is a good process. It's an education that you couldn't buy, that you couldn't go and get anywhere else but to work in a Unicameral system with the number of people that we enjoy working with. And I also want to thank my staff, and all of you, and my wife for putting up with me for all this time. She has put up with me for 43 years, so it has been a pretty long time. Thank you. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: I now recognize Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, this is an awesome place. I'm here today with mixed emotions. I can recall a number of years ago when a very good friend of mine who happened to be my family physician called me and asked me if I would write a recommendation letter for him to go into a different area to work and the mixed emotions I had was I knew that I was going to lose a friend because he was moving to Texas and yet I couldn't do anything but write the recommendation because he was very deserving of the work he