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always a very sweet and observant and loving father and husband, so we still miss him terribly. So I will finish with that, but remember what I told you--make the day good and if over the...if over the years if I ever had said anything to hurt anybody, I didn't mean to. I apologize for that. I just want you to know how much being in this building and with all of you every day has meant to me. I just thank everybody in this room--the staff, the Legislature, the media, everyone. But just remember, as Senator Wickersham said about Ardyce, she's going to be having hearings, I'll have a few things to go to. I have three more appearances before June 15th I think, one in particular in May that will be really nice. But we're senators, you know, until the day before the session next year, so we'll be around, and I'm not going to some other planet, so I'll be kind of keeping tabs next year. And if you need any advice you know I always have a lot. Thank you. (Applause)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Kiel, recognized for a motion.

SENATOR KIEL: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, I move that a committee of five be appointed to notify the Governor that the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, Second Session, of the Nebraska Legislature is about to complete its work, and to return with any message the Governor may have for the Legislature.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Kiel. You've heard the motion. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed nay. The motion carries. Senator Landis, Senator Brown, Senator Raikes, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Don Pederson, please notify the Governor. Madam Sergeant of Arms.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Mr. President, your committee now escorting the Governor of the great state of Nebraska, Mike Johanns.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: (Gavel)

GOVERNOR JOHANNIS: Well, good afternoon, Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, distinguished guests and friends. This Legislature has completed its work and, on behalf of the people of the state of Nebraska, I say thank you for your dedication and your effort. Together, we addressed state's top priorities, including property tax relief, the