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Justice of the Supreme Court to the Legislative Chamber for purpose of administering the oath of office to the members of the Legislature.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Beutler. The motion before you is to select a committee of five to escort the Chief Justice. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. Motion is adopted. The Chair appoints the following committee: Senator Brashear, Senator Hudkins, Senator Jones, Senator Don Pederson, and Senator Schimek. Will you please retire to the Clerk of the Supreme Court's Office. The Chair recognizes the Sergeant at Arms.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Mr. President, your committee now escorting the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, John Hendry.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: (Gavel) The Chair recognizes the Chief Justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court.

CHIEF JUSTICE HENDRY: Thank you and good morning. Good morning to you all. First of all, let me say to all of you what an honor I consider it to be invited by this body into a Chamber to administer the oath of office to the reelected members and to the newly elected members of this body. Having said that, I would first call the following individuals to come down in front, please. (Named senators to be administered oath of office.) Again, let me congratulate each of you for your election to this body. With that, would you each raise your right hands? You do not have to repeat after me. We did this four years ago and I learned. I'll read the oath and then I will ask you to either affirm or swear. (Oath of office administered, Legislative Journal page 4.) Congratulations to each of you. Good luck. (Applause)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Will the committee please escort the Chief Justice from the Chamber. The Chair recognizes Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES: I move to proceed to the election of the Speaker of the Legislature.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: We're just a moment ahead of ourselves