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State Fair Park Partnering Committee with the State Fair and the Lincoln community leaders. And then also they were seeking pledges for financial support. Mr. Partsch's commitment to the State Fair is evident and the committee was generally impressed and felt that he fit the type of an individual that really brought a lot of new ideas to the fair from the business community. With that, I move the appointment of the Agriculture Committee's report on the confirmation of Frank Partsch to the State Fair Board.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Kremer. You've heard the opening on the confirmation report. I see...I see no persons wishing to address it. Senator Kremer, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question then before us is confirmation of the Agriculture Committee's confirmation report. All in favor please vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal page 405.) 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the confirmation report.

SPEAKER BROMM: The confirmation report is approved. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, a second report by the Agriculture Committee involving the appointment...two appointments to the Beginning Farmer Board. (Legislative Journal page 357.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. These confirmations are for the Beginning Farmers Board. The Agriculture Committee did report favorably upon both of these appointments, and I will take them both up together of Don Anthony and Bert Garvin. A little background on the Beginning Farmer Board: The Beginning Farmer Board Tax Credit Act was enacted in 1999, and I think it was Senator Wehrbein's bill; provides income tax credit incentives to rent or lease land to beginning farmers. The oversight and the board of directors are made up of these people: one is the Director of Agriculture; the Tax Commissioner; one individual representing the ag credit