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further nominations? Seeing none, the Chair recognizes Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I move the nominations be closed; unanimous vote, by acclamation, be cast for Senator Engel.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. The motion before you is the motion to cease nominations and declare Senator Engel Chairperson of the Executive Board by acclamation. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. Congratulations, Senator Engel. The Chair recognizes Senator Synowiecki for a motion.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members, I move to proceed to the election of the Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. President, members, I'd like to place my name in nomination for the Vice Chairman of Exec Board. I have served on the committee. I guess my only statement is that I strive to be fair. That's all I can do. I try to be fair. I appreciate the position of all of us. We all strive to be fair, as representatives of our districts. When you're on the Exec Board, you try to be fair as a whole for the state, and that's what my goal is and that's...I guess that's about as simple as I can put it. I enjoy walking into this building. I have two more years here and every morning, as I walk in to the Capitol, into the Chamber, I look up and see how blessed I am to be able to serve in this great capacity, and I just want to serve two more years in the best way that I see fit. And that's...that's my statement. Thank you.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Are there further nominations? Seeing none, the Chair recognizes Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, I move nominations be closed and a unanimous vote, by acclamation, be cast for Senator Cudaback.