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SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Redfield. The question is the adoption of the motion to appoint a committee to escort the Secretary of State. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. The motion is adopted. And the Chair would appoint Senators Wehrbein, Combs, and Louden as the committee, and ask them to escort the Secretary of State to deliver the election returns. Would the three senators please retire to the rear of the Chamber. Thank you. Members, please. The Chair would recognize the Sergeant at Arms.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Mr. Speaker, your committee now escorting the Secretary of State, John Gale.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: (Gavel)

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Chair recognizes Secretary Gale.

SECRETARY GALE: Mr. Clerk, I deliver to you the abstracts of the 2004 general election from the 93 counties in Nebraska for canvass by the members of the Ninety-Ninth Nebraska Legislature. (Legislative Journal pages 14-17.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Would the committee please escort the Secretary of State. Senator Kremer, you're recognized for a motion.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. President. I move to approve the report of the Secretary of State, and the candidates stated therein be declared duly elected.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question is adoption of the motion to accept the report from the Secretary of State. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed, nay. The motion was adopted. Senator Baker, you're recognized for a motion.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. President. I move to arrange to hold the inaugural ceremonies for the newly-elected state officials on Thursday, January 6, 2005, at 1:45 p.m.