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Committee, involves the appointment to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. (Legislative Journal page 867.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, to open on your report.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, President Cudaback and members. The first appointment is Susan Heider. Susan is from Scottsbluff. Her appointment is to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. She was represented by Brenda Decker at the confirmation hearing. Susan is currently vice president of support services and chief information officer at the Regional West Medical Center in Scottsbluff. Has a sparkling resume. Her appointment is for four years. And she's actually one of those appointments that fell in the gap when we were not in session. She's been attending her meetings, apparently very committed to the job she's been appointed to. And I would urge your approval of Susan Heider's appointment to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the opening on the first confirmation report by the Transportation, Telecommunications Committee. Open for discussion. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, Susan Heider is an appointee to the NITC. And I had an opportunity this week to attend a meeting on behalf of the NITC at the request of Senator Engel. And I believe that this organization is going to be revamped and continue to provide a vital service to us as members of the Legislature in evaluating the information technology requests that we receive. I had an opportunity to visit with Susan directly. I think she's well qualified. I think she represents a vital part of our state in the healthcare side of things as we move forward with "telehealth," and the perspective that she brings from an administrator side of those programs in western Nebraska and in rural Nebraska. And so I think she's a vital asset to the NITC, and I look forward to working with her on your behalf as a member of that commission. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Further