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January 4, 2006

PRESIDENT SHEEHY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the first day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Senator Kruse. Would you all please rise.

SENATOR KRUSE: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Kruse. I would ask that you continue standing. We will now have the Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska Army National Guard.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you. Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, Second Session of the Legislature of Nebraska, assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol at the hour of 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 2006, is now called to order. Will senators please record your presence. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Brashear.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Mr. President, I move that the rules, as now in our possession, be adopted until such time as the permanent rules are adopted, pursuant to Rule 2, Section 1, provided, however, that the temporary rules shall not continue after the tenth legislative day.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: The motion before you is the adoption of temporary rules. All those in favor say aye. Opposed, nay. The motion carries. Mr. Clerk, do you have any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Mr. President, first of all, I have the roster and certificate of membership from the Secretary