

February 23, 1989

LB 177, 271, 527
LR 32, 36

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Welcome to this, the thirty-third legislative day in the First Session of the Ninety-first Legislature. Our chaplain of the day, Pastor Charles Richardson of the First United Methodist Church in North Platte. Pastor Richardson, please. (gavel.)

PASTOR RICHARDSON: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Reverend Richardson. We hope you're able to come back and be with us again. Roll call.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: I have none, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Messages, reports or announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources whose Chair is Senator Schmit to whom was referred LB 527 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File, and LB 271 indefinitely postponed, both those signed by Senator Schmit. (See page 841 of the Legislative Journal.)

Attorney General's Opinion addressed to Senator Moore. (Re: LB 177. See pages 842-44 of the Legislative Journal.)

New resolution by Senator Abboud asking the Legislature to recognize and congratulate Mr. Todd Hauptman for his acts of bravery in rescuing accident victims Mr. President. That will be laid over. (LR 36. See page 844 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Proceeding to item 5 on the agenda, Mr. Clerk, legislative resolution.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 32 by Senator Wesely found on page 798 of the Journal asks the Legislature to encourage Nebraskans to give the gift of life by signing and carrying the Uniform Organ Donor Card which authorizes the use of one's kidneys and other organs after death.

PRESIDENT: LR 34 is adopted. LR 36.

CLERK: Mr. President, 36 offered by Senator Abboud, found on page 844. (Read brief description of LR 36.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Abboud, please.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, colleagues, this resolution is a bit more serious. It involves a constituent of mine who witnessed an accident on Interstate 80 last Saturday night, an accident in which he pulled three individuals from a burning automobile. He put his own life above the interests of some other people. And I think that they had a rather interesting account of it in the local paper. The paper stated that Mr. Hauptman gave this account of the incident. The Mustang just blew up after it hit another automobile. Mr. Hauptman and a friend stopped but initially were held at bay by the blaze. There was nothing I could do at this point because there was about four feet of flames on either side of the car, Hauptman said. Hauptman and another man, who had stopped to help, got a fire extinguisher from a truck driver but couldn't get it to work. Hauptman burned his hand as he opened the door, thick smoke around the car began to dissipate but the flames were all over. The guys were burning, he said. Hauptman pulled the driver from the front seat, then reached for the passenger on the back seat. His hair, all of his clothing, everything was on fire, Hauptman said. He tried...he tried to grab him but all he could get was burning skin. He kept reaching, finally, he was able to lift the man from the car. Hauptman then pulled out the third man who apparently had fallen into the back seat when the front seat broke. Rescue squads made their way through the traffic about three to four minutes later. Mr. Hauptman is a Westside High School graduate. And I think that when you have instants like this where a person only has a moment to react and he places the lives of three unknown individuals above his own, I think he deserves a commendation by the Legislature. I would urge the adoption of the resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any further discussion? If not, the question is the adoption of the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 36.

PRESIDENT: LR 36 is adopted. LB 37.

CLERK: LR 37 is found on page 857. It's offered by Senator Korshoj. (Read brief description of LR 37.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Korshoj, please.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. President and members, here is the Class C state wrestling championship resolution and I'm very, very proud of Tekamah-Hermar for winning that. They set an all-time class record in number of points than any class, 192 1/2 points. It's their third championship in the last five years. We do have a very, very fine wrestling program and I want to commend Coach Guy Mytty and his staff for an excellent job of training and teaching these young athletes who probably could not participate in any other sport. It does afford them a chance to be a state champion too. I recommend that we adopt this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Korshoj. Truly a tremendous record by any wrestling team in history in Nebraska. All those in favor of the resolution vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 37.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. We will move onto Final Reading and if you will be taking your seats in preparation of that. (Gavel.) I want to introduce some special guests of Senator Schmit. Over under the north balcony, before we start on Final Reading, these gentlemen are here and they have recently made four purchases of United States wheat from the Nebraska Wheat Board and from the Grain Marketing Compact which are a few states around Nebraska. We have with us Mr. Ramo Salias who is the head of Budget Department, Ministry of Finance, the Republic of Finland. Mr. Salias, will you please rise and be recognized. And we have Miss Rhea Norma who is the escort interpreter for the United States Department Office of Language Services. Ed Farr, Chairman of Nebraska Wheat Board from Cedar Bluffs, Nebraska. Mr. Lee Grove, a member of the Nebraska Wheat Board, Superior, Nebraska. Randy Peters, President of the Nebraska Wheatgrowers' Association of McCook, Nebraska. And, finally, Mr. Ron Stoddard, the Executive

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LB 114, 221, 342
LR 33, 35, 36, 37

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Welcome to a new week in, this, the First Session of the Ninety-first Legislature. Our Chaplain this morning, Pastor Sherman McCormick, Piedmont Park Seventh-Day Adventist. Pastor McCormick, please.

PASTOR McCORMICK: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Gavel.) Thank you, Pastor McCormick. We hope you can come back again. Roll call.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. With a quorum present, any corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Reports, messages, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, a communication from the Governor to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 342, LB 114, and LB 221. See page 881 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, resolutions LR 33, LR 36, and LR 37 are ready for your signature, and that is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LR 33, LR 36, and LR 37. As a matter of general information as well, the Chair has been advised that yesterday was a rather major day in the life of Senator John Weihing. Senator Weihing had a birthday yesterday. Happy Birthday, Senator Weihing. Legislative resolutions, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the resolution offered this morning is by Senators Rogers and Hannibal. It is found on page 835. (Read brief explanation of LR 35.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Carson Rogers, please. (Gavel.) Senator Rogers.

SENATOR ROGERS: Mr. Speaker and members, I brought this resolution to you on behalf of the Village of Dannebrog, which