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FIRST SESSION

FIRST DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
 Wednesday, January 9, 2019

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Kolterman.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska State Patrol - Headquarters Troop Honor Guard.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the One Hundred Sixth Legislature, First 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 9, 2019, and was called to order by President Foley.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Albrecht, Joni	Gragert, Tim	Lowe, John S.
Arch, John	Groene, Michael	McCollister, John S.
Blood, Carol	Halloran, Steve	McDonnell, Mike
Bolz, Kate	Hansen, Ben	Morfeld, Adam
Bostelman, Bruce	Hansen, Matt	Moser, Mike
Brandt, Tom	Hilgers, Mike	Murman, Dave
Brewer, Tom	Hilkemann, Robert	Pansing Brooks, Patty
Briese, Tom	Howard, Sara	Quick, Dan
Cavanaugh, Machaela	Hughes, Dan	Scheer, Jim
Chambers, Ernie	Hunt, Megan	Slama, Julie
Clements, Robert	Kolowski, Rick	Stinner, John P.
Crawford, Sue	Kolterman, Mark A.	Vargas, Tony
DeBoer, Wendy	La Grone, Andrew	Walz, Lynne
Dorn, Myron	Lathrop, Steve	Wayne, Justin
Erdman, Steve	Lindstrom, Brett	Williams, Matt
Friesen, Curt	Linehan, Lou Ann	Wishart, Anna
Geist, Suzanne		

MOTION - Temporary Clerk and Sergeant at Arms

Senator Stinner moved to appoint Mr. Patrick J. O'Donnell as temporary Clerk of the Legislature and Mr. Jim Doggett as temporary Sergeant at Arms.

The motion prevailed.

RESIGNATION

July 6, 2018

The Honorable Pete Ricketts
Governor of Nebraska
Executive Suite
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Governor Ricketts,

With this letter, I tender my resignation as state senator in the Nebraska Legislature, effective July 9, 2018, ending my term in office roughly six months ahead of the scheduled conclusion.

It has been a privilege to serve the great State of Nebraska the past eight years and I will forever be grateful to the people of Legislative District 14 for their trust and support.

Warmest Regards,
(Signed) Jim Smith

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

July 9, 2018

Senator Jim Smith
District 14
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Senator Smith,

Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes §32-562, I hereby acknowledge receipt of your July 9, 2018, letter resigning your seat as a member of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature representing Legislative District 14 effective July 9, 2018.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts

Governor

cc: Patrick J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature
Speaker Jim Scheer, Speaker of the Nebraska Legislature

RESIGNATION

December 26, 2018

Governor Ricketts,

As of 11:59 p.m. on December 26, 2018, I will be resigning as a member of the Nebraska Legislature.

It has been an honor to represent the people of the 40th Legislative District for the last 8 years. Having the opportunity to serve this great state at such a young age was a humbling experience and one that I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

I would like to thank you for your excellent leadership of the state of Nebraska, and people of the 40th district for instilling their trust in me for the last 8 years.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Tyson Larson

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 3, 2019

Senator Tyson Larson
District 40
49487 883rd Road
O'Neill, NE 68763

Dear Senator Larson,

Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes §32-562, I hereby acknowledge receipt of your December 26, 2018, letter resigning your seat as a member of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature representing Legislative District 40 effective December 27, 2018.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

cc: Patrick J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature
Speaker Jim Scheer, Speaker of the Nebraska Legislature

RESIGNATION

January 3, 2019

Governor Pete Ricketts
Nebraska State Capitol
1445 K Street, Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Governor Ricketts,

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the people of Gretna and Sarpy County as State Senator since 2013. I thank my constituents for the confidence in allowing me to represent them.

At the November 6, 2018, General Election, the people of Nebraska elected me to serve as State Treasurer. Accordingly, I resign the office of State Senator for the 49th Legislative District effective at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 9th, 2019.

Sincerely,
(Signed) John Murante

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 3, 2019

Senator John Murante
District 49
11814 South 211th Street
Gretna, NE 68028

Dear Senator Murante,

Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes §32-562, I hereby acknowledge receipt of your January 3, 2019, letter resigning your seat as a member of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature representing Legislative District 49 effective January 9, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

cc: Patrick J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature
Speaker Jim Scheer, Speaker of the Nebraska Legislature

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

December 17, 2018

Andrew T. La Grone
20276 Glenmore Drive, #1
Gretna, NE 68028

Dear Mr. La Grone:

It is my pleasure to appoint you as a member of the Nebraska Legislature representing District 49 effective January 9, 2019. Your knowledge and input are valuable and your willingness to serve in this important position is appreciated. Working together we can make wise decisions while keeping the best interests of our citizens in mind.

Congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

Enclosures

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT

Greetings To All Who Shall See These Presents Know Ye, that I, Pete Ricketts, on behalf of the State of Nebraska and as Governor, do hereby appoint Andrew T. La Grone as a member of the Nebraska Legislature - District 49.

Reposing special trust in your ability, integrity and patriotism, I do authorize and empower you to discharge the duties of said appointment, according to law.

This appointment shall take effect on January 9, 2019, and continue until January 5, 2021, provided you shall satisfactorily perform all the duties imposed by law.

(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

(Signed) John A. Gale
Secretary of State

RESIGNATION

January 8, 2019

Governor Pete Ricketts
State Capitol
P.O. Box 94848
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Governor Ricketts:

With my election to the Public Service Commission this past November, I am submitting my resignation as a member of the Legislature from the 1st Legislative District, effective January 8, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. It has been a pleasure to serve my state and community in this capacity for the past six years. I look forward to continuing my service to our state as a Public Service Commissioner.

Respectfully,
(Signed) Dan Watermeier, Senator
District #1

cc: Patrick O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
Senator Jim Scheer, Speaker of the Legislature

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 8, 2019

Senator Dan Watermeier
District 1
2529 J Road
Syracuse, NE 68446

Dear Senator Watermeier,

Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes §32-562, I hereby acknowledge receipt of your January 8, 2019, letter resigning your seat as a member of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature representing Legislative District 1 effective January 8, 2019, at 11:59 p.m.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

cc: Patrick J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature
Speaker Jim Scheer, Speaker of the Nebraska Legislature

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

December 26, 2018

Julie Slama
73424 645a Avenue
Peru, NE 68421

Dear Ms. Slama:

It is my pleasure to appoint you as a member of the Nebraska Legislature representing District 1 effective January 9, 2019. Your knowledge and input are valuable and your willingness to serve in this important position is appreciated. Working together we can make wise decisions while keeping the best interests of our citizens in mind.

Congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

Enclosures

GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT

Greetings To All Who Shall See These Presents Know Ye, that I, Pete Ricketts, on behalf of the State of Nebraska and as Governor, do hereby appoint Julie Slama as a member of the Nebraska Legislature - District 1.

Reposing special trust in your ability, integrity and patriotism, I do authorize and empower you to discharge the duties of said appointment, according to law.

This appointment shall take effect on January 9, 2019, and continue until January 5, 2021, provided you shall satisfactorily perform all the duties imposed by law.

(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

(Signed) John A. Gale
Secretary of State

MOTION - Committee on Credentials

Senator Linehan moved that we proceed to the election of five persons to serve as the Committee on Credentials, who will forthwith report to the Legislature on the credentials of those claiming to be elected to the

11	Ernie Chambers	November 8, 2016
12	Steve Lathrop	November 6, 2018
13	Justin Wayne	November 8, 2016
14	John Arch	November 6, 2018
15	Lynne M. Walz	November 8, 2016
16	Ben Hansen	November 6, 2018
17	Joni Albrecht	November 8, 2016
18	Brett Lindstrom	November 6, 2018
19	Jim Scheer	November 8, 2016
20	John S. McCollister	November 6, 2018
21	Mike Hilgers	November 8, 2016
22	Mike Moser	November 6, 2018
23	Bruce Bostelman	November 8, 2016
24	Mark A. Kolterman	November 6, 2018
25	Suzanne Geist	November 8, 2016
26	Matt Hansen	November 6, 2018
27	Anna Wishart	November 8, 2016
28	Patty Pansing Brooks	November 6, 2018
29	Kate Bolz	November 8, 2016
30	Myron Dorn	November 6, 2018
31	Rick Kolowski	November 8, 2016
32	Tom Brandt	November 6, 2018
33	Steve Halloran	November 8, 2016
34	Curt Friesen	November 6, 2018
35	Dan Quick	November 8, 2016
36	Matt Williams	November 6, 2018
37	John S. Lowe Sr.	November 8, 2016
38	Dave Murman	November 6, 2018
39	Lou Ann Linehan	November 8, 2016
40	Tim Gragert	November 6, 2018
41	Tom Briese	November 8, 2016
42	Michael Groene	November 6, 2018
43	Tom Brewer	November 8, 2016
44	Dan Hughes	November 6, 2018
45	Sue Crawford	November 8, 2016
46	Adam Morfeld	November 6, 2018
47	Steve Erdman	November 8, 2016
48	John P. Stinner Sr.	November 6, 2018
49	Andrew La Grone - Appointed	January 9, 2019

MOTION - Credentials Committee Report

Senator Bolz moved to approve the Committee on Credentials Report as certified and presented by the Secretary of State.

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Election of Officers

Senator Scheer moved that the following officers, recommended by the Executive Board, be elected to serve for the One Hundred Sixth Legislature:

Clerk of the Legislature	Patrick J. O'Donnell
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature	Richard K. Brown
Sergeant at Arms	Jim Doggett

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Election of Speaker

Senator Hughes moved to proceed to the election of the Speaker of the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Scheer placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Scheer.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Scheer was duly elected Speaker of the Legislature.

MOTION - Escort Chief Justice

Senator Quick moved that a committee of five be appointed to escort the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to the Legislative Chamber for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the officers of the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators Pansing Brooks, Williams, Lindstrom, Halloran, and Walz to serve on said committee.

OFFICERS' OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss.
LANCASTER COUNTY)

We, and each of us, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that we will support the constitution of the United States, the constitution of the State of Nebraska, and will faithfully discharge the duties of our respective offices to the best of our ability.

Speaker
 Clerk of the Legislature
 Assistant Clerk of the Legislature
 Sergeant at Arms

Jim Scheer
 Patrick J. O'Donnell
 Richard K. Brown
 Jim Doggett

The committee escorted the Chief Justice from the Chamber.

MOTION - Chairperson of Committee on Committees

Senator Bostelman moved to proceed to the election of the Chairperson of the Committee on Committees.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hilkemann placed his name in nomination.

Senator Erdman placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Morfeld, Lowe, and Linehan as tellers.

Senator Hilkemann	31
Senator Erdman	<u>18</u>
	49

Senator Hilkemann was duly elected Chairperson of the Committee on Committees.

MOTION - Committee on Committees Members

Senator Morfeld moved to proceed to the election of the remaining twelve members of the Committee on Committees, and that we authorize the members residing within each of the three districts, as enumerated in Rule 3, Sec. 2, to nominate four members to be elected by the legislative body to serve on the Committee on Committees.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Hilgers, and Bostelman were nominated from District 1.

Senators Vargas, Lathrop, Howard, and Lindstrom were nominated from District 2.

Senators Friesen, Groene, Erdman, and Murman were nominated from District 3.

Senator Howard moved the approval of the nominees to the Committee on

Committees.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair declared the nominees duly elected.

MOTION - Chairperson of Executive Board

Senator McCollister moved to proceed to the election of the Chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Bolz placed her name in nomination.

Senator Hilgers placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Clements, McDonnell, and Friesen as tellers.

Senator Bolz	23
Senator Hilgers	<u>26</u>
	49

Senator Hilgers was duly elected Chairperson of the Executive Board.

MOTION - Vice Chairperson of Executive Board

Senator Brewer moved to proceed to the election of the Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Geist placed her name in nomination.

Senator Vargas placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators DeBoer, Arch, and Lathrop as tellers.

Senator Geist	23
Senator Vargas	<u>26</u>
	49

Senator Vargas was duly elected Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board.

MOTION - Executive Board Members

Senator Walz moved to proceed to the election of the other six members of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council as outlined in 50-401.01.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Bolz and Kolterman were nominated from District 1.

Senators Chambers and McCollister were nominated from District 2.

Senators Hughes and Lowe were nominated from District 3.

Senator Kolowski moved the approval of the nominees to the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair declared the nominees duly elected.

MOTION - Standing Committee Chairpersons

Senator Vargas moved to proceed to the election of the standing committee chairpersons, in accordance with Rule 3, Sec. 8(a).

The motion prevailed.

CHAIRPERSON - Agriculture

Senator Halloran placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Halloran.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Halloran was duly elected Chairperson of the Agriculture Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Appropriations

Senator Stinner placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Stinner.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Stinner was duly elected Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Senator Williams placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Williams.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Williams was duly elected Chairperson of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Business and Labor

Senator Albrecht placed her name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Dorn, Blood, and Hughes as tellers.

Senator Albrecht	24
Senator M. Hansen	<u>25</u>
	49

Senator M. Hansen was duly elected Chairperson of the Business and Labor Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Education

Senator Groene placed his name in nomination.

Senator Kolowski placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Moser, Quick, and La Grone as tellers.

Senator Groene	24
Senator Kolowski	<u>21</u>
	45

The Chair announced that a second ballot would be cast between Senator Groene and Senator Kolowski.

The Chair appointed Senators Moser, Quick, and La Grone as tellers.

Senator Groene	26
Senator Kolowski	<u>20</u>
	46

Senator Groene was duly elected Chairperson of the Education Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - General Affairs

Senator Briese placed his name in nomination.

Senator Blood placed her name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Chambers, Slama, and B. Hansen as tellers.

Senator Briese	29
Senator Blood	<u>20</u>
	49

Senator Briese was duly elected Chairperson of the General Affairs Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Senator Brewer placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Brewer.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Brewer was duly elected Chairperson of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Health and Human Services

Senator Howard placed her name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Howard.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Howard was duly elected Chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Judiciary

Senator Lathrop placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Lathrop.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Lathrop was duly elected Chairperson of the Judiciary Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Natural Resources

Senator Hughes placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Hughes.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hughes was duly elected Chairperson of the Natural Resources Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Nebraska Retirement Systems

Senator Kolterman placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Kolterman.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kolterman was duly elected Chairperson of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Revenue

Senator Lindstrom placed his name in nomination.

Senator Linehan placed her name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Cavanaugh, Murman, and Gragert as tellers.

Senator Lindstrom	23
Senator Linehan	<u>26</u>
	49

Senator Linehan was duly elected Chairperson of the Revenue Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Transportation and Telecommunications

Senator Friesen placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Friesen.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Friesen was duly elected Chairperson of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Urban Affairs

Senator Wayne placed his name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Wayne.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Wayne was duly elected Chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee.

MOTION - Special and Select Committee Chairpersons

Senator Briese moved to proceed to the election of the special and select committee chairpersons, in accordance with Rule 3, Sec. 8(a).

The motion prevailed.

CHAIRPERSON - Rules

Senator Crawford placed her name in nomination.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Crawford.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Crawford was duly elected Chairperson of the Rules Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Enrollment and Review

Senator Wishart nominated Senator Slama.

Senator M. Hansen moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Slama.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Slama was duly elected Chairperson of the Enrollment and Review Committee.

MOTION - Election Returns

Senator Lowe moved that a committee of three be appointed to escort the Secretary of State to the Chamber to deliver the election returns of the General Election of November 2018.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators Bolz, Lowe, and Brewer to serve on said committee.

The committee escorted Secretary of State, John A. Gale, to the rostrum where he delivered the following report.

REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

January 9, 2019

Speaker of the Legislature
One Hundred Sixth Legislature, First Session (Regular) 2019
State Capitol
Lincoln, Nebraska

Honorable Speaker:

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, I have the honor of herewith delivering to you, under Seal, the abstract of votes cast in the ninety-three counties of the State of Nebraska at the General Election held on November 6, 2018, for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Attorney General, Members of the Public Service Commission, Regents of the University of Nebraska, and Members of the State Board of Education. These votes are required by law to be canvassed by the Nebraska State Legislature, pursuant to Section 32-1039 R.S. Nebraska 1943, Reissue of 2016 as submitted to me for delivery to the Honorable Speaker of the Legislature.

I also deliver to you, under Seal, the list of candidates receiving the highest vote for each particular office enumerated. The certificate of the Secretary of State accompanies this list.

The original abstract sheets containing the tabulation of votes from the ninety-three counties with reference to one Initiative Measure is on file in this office. A certification of these returns is also attached.

Inasmuch as these abstract sheets are part of the records of the Office of Secretary of State, we respectfully request that they be returned to our office files immediately upon the completion of your official canvass.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) John A. Gale
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE

State of Nebraska

United States of America,) ss. Secretary of State
State of Nebraska) State Capitol
Lincoln, Nebraska

I, John A. Gale, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct list of the candidates for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Attorney General, Members of the Public Service Commission, Regents of the University of Nebraska, and Members of the State Board of Education, receiving the highest number of votes at the General Election in the State of Nebraska held on November 6, 2018.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of January 9, 2019.

(SEAL) (Signed) John A. Gale
Secretary of State

- Governor - Pete Ricketts
- Lieutenant Governor - Mike Foley
- Secretary of State - Robert B. Eeven
- Auditor of Public Accounts - Charlie Janssen
- State Treasurer - John Murante
- Attorney General - Doug Peterson
- Public Service Commission, District 1 - Dan Watermeier
- Public Service Commission, District 3 - Tim Schram
- Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, District 3 - John Pillen
- Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, District 4 - Elizabeth O'Connor
- Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, District 5 - Rob Schafer
- Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska District 8 - Barbara Weitz
- State Board of Education, District 5 - Patricia H. Timm
- State Board of Education, District 6 - Maureen Nickels
- State Board of Education, District 7 - Robin R. Stevens
- State Board of Education, District 8 - Deborah Neary

CERTIFICATE

State of Nebraska

United States of America,) ss.
 State of Nebraska)

Secretary of State
 State Capitol
 Lincoln, Nebraska

I, John A. Gale, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct listing of the Statutory Measure proposed by the Initiative Process showing the number of votes cast for and against at the General Election held on November 6, 2018.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of January 9, 2019.

(SEAL)

(Signed) John A. Gale
 Secretary of State

2018 General Election
 Initiative Measure 427

A statutory initiative measure to provide that the state shall amend its Medicaid state plan to expand eligibility for medical assistance to cover certain adults ages 19 through 64 whose incomes are one hundred thirty-eight percent (138%) of the federal poverty level or below as defined by federal law, and to maximize federal financial participation to fund their care.

For 356,891
 Against 309,533

The Secretary of State was escorted from the Chamber.

Senator Kolterman moved pursuant to Article IV, Section 4, to approve the report of the Secretary of State and the candidates stated therein be declared duly elected.

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Inaugural Ceremonies

Senator Blood moved to arrange to hold the inaugural ceremonies for the newly elected state officials on Thursday, January 10, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Mark Jones from Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:25 p.m., on a motion by Senator Albrecht, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 10, 2019.

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature