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**FOLEY:** Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the forty-second day of the One Hundred Sixth Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Senator Kolterman. Please rise.

**KOLTERMAN:** Good morning, colleagues. Appreciate all of you being here this day. The prayer that's being said this morning was written by my pastor and Senator Bostelman's pastor. His-- his name is Scott Bruick. He's a Lutheran pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Seward. He was scheduled to be here on the 18th of March. When I was asked to do this, I asked if he would write the prayer. So join me, please. Gracious God and father of us all, your creation cries out for healing and new life today, not only here but throughout the world. Hear also the cries of your children and bring to us the restoration that is needed now in our time of need. We lift before you all the citizens of this state, from the newborn to the aged. You know each of us well, for you knitted us together in our mother's womb. Hold all of us in your mighty hands. Especially be with all those who are high risk in regards to COVID-19. Provide for them the guidance and resources that are needed in their time of need. We lift before you, Father, all who serve in the areas of medicine, public health, patient care and first responders. Guard and guide all who serve in these vocations as they-- as they seek to provide the care and guidance that is needed in this critical time. Keep them strong and help us to be instruments in providing the resources that they need. Now, as we prepare for this special gathering of the Unicameral, we humbly ask that you would lead and guide us, as elected as leaders of this state, and grant us the wisdom that is needed to care for the citizens entrusted to our care. Bless our Governor and his staff, and that's-- and with that same wisdom, and bless all of us with the gift of unity and peace as we serve together. We pray the same for all who serve our nation at the federal level and for all governmental leaders around the world. Gracious God, in and through all of this, remind us again that you so love all people that you sent your son as the savior of this world. All this we ask in his name, the name of Jesus. Amen.

**FOLEY:** Thank you, Senator Kolterman. I call to order the forty-second day of the One Hundred Sixth Legislature, Second Session. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

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

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**FOLEY:** Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

**CLERK:** I have no corrections.

**FOLEY:** Thank you, sir. Are there any messages, reports, or announcements?

**CLERK:** Mr. President, at this time, I have neither messages, reports, nor announcements to report.

**FOLEY:** Is there a motion at the desk?

**CLERK:** Mr. President, I do. Senator Brewer would move to adjourn the body until Wednesday morning, March 22, at 1:30 p.m.

**FOLEY:** Members, you heard the motion to adjourn. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. We are adjourned.