

PRESIDENT MCGINLEY PRESIDING

DR. PALMER: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Chaplain Palmer. Members will please record the roll. (Recorder malfunction.) ...messages, reports and announcements for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, LRs 9, 113, 115, 616, 717, 818, 919, , 21, 22 and 25, which were adopted yesterday, are ready for your signature.

PRESIDENT: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LRs 9, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22 and 25. Are we ready to proceed to today's resolutions?

CLERK: Mr. President, the only other item I have right before that, if I might, is an Attorney General's Opinion addressed to Senator Vard Johnson.

PRESIDENT: Very well.

CLERK: That is all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Proceed to the resolutions.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 24 was offered by Senator Hoagland. It is found on page 215 of the Journal. It recognizes and commends the Bellevue Volunteer Fire Department and the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland. May we have order in the Chamber, please. (Gavel.)

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President, and colleagues, you know all of us in our daily work outside the Legislature, from time to time, through our professional lives or elsewhere otherwise have contact, of course, with public agencies or volunteer agencies like the Bellevue Volunteer Fire Department and come to understand, because of a particular case we've had with them, what an outstanding job these particular groups can do. I know it is kind of a cliché that people's character and strength and integrity is measured in terms of crises, how they react to crises or the big events in their life. But I remember a college