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PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for the day is Pastor Frank Maurer of Zion Lutheran Church in Omaha, from Senator Preister's district. Pastor Maurer.

PASTOR MAURER: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Pastor Maurer. I now call the sixty-ninth legislative day to session. Will senators please record their presence. Please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Any messages, reports, and announcements?

CLERK: At this time I have no messages, reports, or announcements, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair understands that Senator Bruning has a special announcement to make this morning.

SENATOR BRUNING: Good morning, Madam Chairman, members of the body. Just wanted to let everyone know that we had a daughter born on Friday, Lauren Caroline. It was 8 pounds, 9 ounces. Thank you. And mother and baby are doing well. They're leaving the hospital. As soon as we get done today, I'll go pick them up and we'll head home. So everybody's doing great. And I have...before I sit down here, I have chocolate "it's a girl" candy bars. I also have bubble gum cigars, and I have real cigars in the office, if you're a real cigar smoker. So, come over. Help yourself.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Congratulations, Senator Bruning.

SENATOR BRUNING: Thank you.