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SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

SENATOR CROSBY: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for the day is Pastor Roger Nelson of the First Presbyterian Church from Grand Island, and he's the guest of Senator Chris Peterson this morning. Pastor.

PASTOR NELSON: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you. I now call to order the fifty-first day of the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, First Session. Senators, roll call. Please record your presence.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President...Madam President, excuse me.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Madam President, I am pleased to report I have no messages, reports, or announcements this morning.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you. Before we begin the day's business, I would like to call the Legislature's attention to two guests that we have under the north balcony: LaVonne Nelson, who is the Chaplain's wife, she's from Grand Island; and also, the doctor of the day, Cathy Hennies of Lincoln, of District 29. Would both of you please stand and be welcomed by your Legislature. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, the first item this morning, Senator Schrock, as Chair of Natural Resources, has a confirmation report found on page 1105 of the Journal.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Schrock, to open.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Madam President and members of the