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Bismarck, December 6, 1988

At the hour of 9:00 a.m., on the sixth day of December 1988, being the day and hour designated by law, for convening of the organizational session of the Legislative Assembly of North Dakota, the members elect of the House of Representatives assembled in the House Chamber of the State Capitol at Bismarck, North Dakota, and were called to order by the Speaker of the 1987 Legislative Session, Rep. Richard Kloubec.

The prayer was offered by Rev. Ignatius David, Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Bismarck, North Dakota.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SPEAKER KLOUBEC ANNOUNCED that the House would be on the Fourth order of business.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives  
Fifty-first Legislative Assembly  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that the following is, according to the records of my office, a true and correct list of the names and addresses of those duly elected as members of the House of Representatives of the Fifty-first Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota.

| Dist. No. - Counties or<br>Parts Thereof | Name                 | Address     |
|--|----------------------|-------------|
| 1. Williams                              | James A. Haugen      | Williston   |
|  | Dan Gerhardt         | Williston   |
| 2. Divide, Williams                      | Jeremy Nelson        | Crosby      |
|  | Raymond Schmidt      | Tioga       |
| 3. Renville, Ward                        | Orlin (Bill) Hanson  | Sherwood    |
|  | Kevin Kolbo          | Mohall      |
| 4. Burke, Divide,<br>Mountrail           | June Y. Enget        | Powers Lake |
|  | Richard L. Solberg   | Stanley     |
| 5. Ward                                  | Lynn W. Aas          | Minot       |
|  | Mike Timm            | Minot       |
| 6. Bottineau, McHenry                    | Beth Smette          | Newburg     |
|  | Kathi Gilmore        | Bottineau   |
| 7. McHenry, Pierce                       | Quentin E. Christman | Rugby       |
|  | Gene Watne           | Velva       |
| 8. McLean                                | Diane Ness           | Underwood   |
|  | Bob O'Shea           | Turtle Lake |

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| 9.  | Rolette                              | Patricia DeMers         | Dunseith     |
|     |                                      | Gerry L. Wilkie         | Rolla        |
| 10. | Cavalier, Towner,<br>Walsh           | Eugene Nicholas         | Cando        |
|     |                                      | Robert Nowatzki         | Langdon      |
| 11. | Pembina, Walsh                       | Rosemarie Myrdal        | Edinburg     |
|     |                                      | Alice Olson             | Cavalier     |
| 12. | Benson, Eddy,<br>Ramsey              | Vern Thompson           | Minnewauken  |
|     |                                      | Bill Starke             | New Rockford |
| 13. | Cass                                 | Rodney Larson           | Riverside    |
|     |                                      | Jay Lindgren            | West Fargo   |
| 14. | Wells, Foster                        | Arthur Melby            | Harvey       |
|     |                                      | John "Jack" Howard      | Carrington   |
| 15. | Ramsey                               | Gordon Berg             | Devils Lake  |
|     |                                      | Charles F. Mertens      | Devils Lake  |
| 16. | Walsh                                | Harley Kingsbury        | Grafton      |
|     |                                      | William C. Skjerven     | Park River   |
| 17. | Grand Forks                          | Richard Scott Clayburgh | Grand Forks  |
| &   |                                      | Grant Shaft             | Grand Forks  |
| 18. | Grand Forks                          | Roxanne Jensen          | Grand Forks  |
|     |                                      | Judy L. DeMers          | Grand Forks  |
| 19. | Grand Forks                          | Dagne B. Olsen          | Manvel       |
|     |                                      | Don Shide               | Larimore     |
| 20. | Grand Forks,<br>Traill               | Ole Aarsvold            | Blanchard    |
|     |                                      | Lee Kaldor              | Hillsboro    |
| 21. | Cass                                 | Tish Kelly              | Fargo        |
|     |                                      | John T. Schneider       | Fargo        |
| 22. | Cass                                 | Wesley R. Belter, Jr.   | Leonard      |
|     |                                      | Jack Dalrymple          | Casselton    |
| 23. | Nelson, Griggs,<br>Steele            | Odel Flaagan            | Tolna        |
|     |                                      | Bruce Laughlin          | Finley       |
| 24. | Barnes                               | Gereld F. Gerntholz     | Sanborn      |
|     |                                      | Vince Olson             | Valley City  |
| 25. | Richland                             | Roy Hausauer            | Wahpeton     |
|     |                                      | Allan Stenehjem         | Wahpeton     |
| 26. | Dickey, Sargent,<br>Ransom           | John Hokana             | Oakes        |
|     |                                      | Scott B. Stofferahn     | Cogswell     |
| 27. | Ransom, Richland                     | Robert Huether          | Lisbon       |
|     |                                      | Adella J. Williams      | Lidgerwood   |
| 28. | Logan, LaMoure,<br>Dickey, Barnes    | Jim Brokaw              | Forbes       |
|     |                                      | Kelly Shockman          | LaMoure      |
| 29. | Stutsman                             | Dale Marks              | Ypsilanti    |
|     |                                      | Wade Williams           | Cleveland    |
| 30. | Emmons, McIntosh,<br>Burleigh, Logan | William E. Kretschmar   | Venturia     |
|     |                                      | Wilbur Vander Vorst     | Hague        |
| 31. | Burleigh, Sheridan,<br>Kidder        | Theodore A. "Ted" Lang  | Sterling     |
|     |                                      | Orville Schindler       | McClusky     |
| 32. | Burleigh                             | Serenus Hoffner         | Bismarck     |
|     |                                      | Bill Oban               | Bismarck     |
| 33. | Mercer, Oliver                       | Ronald E. Gunsch        | Zap          |
|     |                                      | Gary Knell              | Hazen        |
| 34. | Morton                               | James Gerl              | Mandan       |
|     |                                      | Dan Ulmer               | Mandan       |
| 35. | Grant, Hettinger,<br>Sioux           | Richard Kouba           | Regent       |
|     |                                      | Michael A. Schatz       | New England  |
| 36. | McKenzie, Dunn                       | Ronald A. Anderson      | Keene        |
|     |                                      | Jack Murphy             | Killdeer     |
| 37. | Stark                                | William G. Goetz        | Dickinson    |
|     |                                      | Francis J. Wald         | Dickinson    |

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| 38. Stark   | Herbert Urlacher        | Taylor      |
|   | Clarence Martin         | Lefor       |
| 39. Adams, Bowman,<br>Billings, Golden<br>Valley, Slope | Kenneth N. Thompson     | Beach       |
|   | Joseph R. Whalen        | Bowman      |
| 40. Ward  | Brynhild Haugland       | Minot       |
| &   | James A. "Jim" Peterson | Minot       |
| 50. Ward  | Ben Tollefson           | Minot       |
|   | Bruce E. Anderson       | Minot       |
| 41. Ward  | Janet Wentz             | Minot       |
|   | Kenneth O. Frey         | Minot       |
| 42. Grand Forks   | Sarah A. Carlson        | Grand Forks |
|   | Jennifer E. Ring        | Grand Forks |
| 43. Grand Forks   | Moine R. Gates          | Grand Forks |
|   | Jayson (Jay) Graba      | Grand Forks |
| 44. Cass  | Al Soukup               | Fargo       |
|   | Kit Catherine Scherber  | Fargo       |
| 45. Cass  | Rick Berg               | Fargo       |
|   | LeRoy G. Bernstein      | Fargo       |
| 46. Cass  | John Dorso              | Fargo       |
|   | Steve Gorman            | Fargo       |
| 47. Burleigh  | Cathy Rydell            | Bismarck    |
|   | Bill Sorensen           | Bismarck    |
| 48. Stutsman  | Harold N. Trautman      | Jamestown   |
|   | Lyle L. Hanson          | Jamestown   |
| 49. Burleigh  | Alvin Hausauer          | Bismarck    |
|   | Bob Martinson           | Bismarck    |
| 51. Cass  | Richard Kloubec         | Fargo       |
|   | Doug Payne              | Fargo       |
| 52. Burleigh  | Diane Larson            | Bismarck    |
|   | Gerald Halmrast         | Bismarck    |
| 53. Morton  | Dick Tokach             | St. Anthony |
|   | Steve Tomac             | St. Anthony |

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota, this 2nd Day of December, 1988.

BEN MEIER  
Secretary of State  
State of North Dakota

#### ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken manually by the 1987 Chief Clerk, Roy Gilbreath. There were 105 members present and one member absent as follows:

YEAS: Aarsvold; Aas; Anderson, B.; Anderson, R.; Belter; Berg, G.; Berg, R.; Bernstein; Brokaw; Carlson; Christman; Clayburgh; Dalrymple; DeMers, J.; DeMers, P.; Dorso; Enget; Flaagan; Frey; Gates; Gerhardt; Gerl; Gertholz; Gilmore; Goetz; Gorman; Graba; Gunsch; Halmrast; Hanson, L.; Hanson, O.; Haugen; Haugland; Hausauer, A.; Hausauer, R.; Hoffner; Hokana; Howard; Huether; Jensen; Kaldor; Kelly; Kingsbury; Knell; Kolbo; Kouba; Kretschmar; Lang; Larson, D.; Larson, R.; Laughlin; Lindgren; Marks; Martin; Martinson; Melby; Mertens; Murphy; Myrdal; Nelson; Ness; Nicholas; Nowatzki; O'Shea; Oban; Olsen, D.; Olson, A.; Olson, V.; Payne; Peterson; Ring; Rydell; Schatz; Scherber; Schindler; Schmidt; Schneider; Shaft; Shide; Skjerven; Smette; Solberg; Sorensen; Soukup; Starke; Stenehjem; Stofferahn; Thompson, K.; Thompson, V.; Timm; Tokach;

Tollefson; Tomac; Trautman; Ulmer; Urlacher; Vander Vorst; Wald; Watne; Wentz; Whalen; Wilkie; Williams, A.; Williams, W.; Speaker Kloubec

ABSENT: Shockman

#### POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

REP. MERTENS: Mr. Speaker: I rise on a point of personal privilege and request that my remarks be printed in the Journal.

Mr. Speaker, members of the assembly. This body should be aware that we are organizing under a change in the Constitution. Article IV, Section 12, of the Constitution states: ". . . Each house is the judge of the qualifications of its members, but election contests are subject to judicial review as provided by law. . . ." This change took effect December 1, 1986. I think it was voted on by the people in the general election of 1984. In district five, the courts have been asked to review the contest. The final outcome of that election is still under the review of the courts. We do not question the qualifications of Mike Timm to be seated in this assembly. It is, however, our position that the seating of Mike Timm is provisional, pending the final outcome of the judicial review of the district five election. Thank you.

#### MOTION

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Associate Justice Gerald Vandewalle to the rostrum. The motion prevailed and Speaker Kloubec appointed Reps. Shaft and Schneider to such committee and Associate Justice Vandewalle was escorted to the rostrum.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE VANDEWALLE ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to the members present.

Information packets were distributed to the members and explanation of the contents of the packets were explained by John Olsrud, Director of the Legislative Council.

#### MOTION

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that the House stand in recess until 1:30 p.m., which motion prevailed.

THE HOUSE RECONVENED pursuant to recess taken, with Speaker Kloubec presiding.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

SPEAKER KLOUBEC ANNOUNCED that the House would be on a special order of business.

Nominations were opened for the position of Chief Clerk.

#### MOTIONS

REP. LANG MOVED that the name of Roy Gilbreath be placed in nomination for the position of Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, which motion prevailed.

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that nominations cease, which motion prevailed.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the election of Roy Gilbreath as Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, the roll was called and there were 105 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Aarsvold; Aas; Anderson, B.; Anderson, R.; Belter; Berg, G.; Berg, R.; Bernstein; Brokaw; Carlson; Christman; Clayburgh; Dalrymple; DeMers, J.; DeMers, P.; Dorso; Enget; Flaagan; Frey; Gates; Gerhardt; Gerl; Gerntholz; Gilmore; Goetz; Gorman; Graba; Gunsch; Halmrast; Hanson, L.; Hanson, O.; Haugen; Haugland; Hausauer, A.; Hausauer, R.; Hoffner; Hokana; Howard; Huether; Jensen; Kaldor; Kelly; Kingsbury; Knell; Kolbo; Kouba; Kretschmar; Lang; Larson, D.; Larson, R.; Laughlin; Lindgren; Marks; Martin; Martinson; Melby; Mertens; Murphy; Myrdal; Nelson; Ness; Nicholas; Nowatzki; O'Shea; Oban; Olsen, D.; Olson, A.; Olson, V.; Payne; Peterson; Ring; Rydell; Schatz; Scherber; Schindler; Schmidt; Schneider; Shaft; Shide; Skjerven; Smette; Solberg; Sorensen; Soukup; Starke; Stenehjem; Stofferahn; Thompson, K.; Thompson, V.; Timm; Tokach; Tollefson; Tomac; Trautman; Ulmer; Urlacher; Vander Vorst; Wald; Watne; Wentz; Whalen; Wilkie; Williams, A.; Williams, W.; Speaker Kloubec

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Shockman

Roy Gilbreath was declared elected Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Kloubec then administered the Oath of Office to Chief Clerk Roy Gilbreath.

Nominations were opened for the position of Desk Reporter.

#### MOTIONS

**REP. SORENSEN MOVED** that the name of Barbara Middaugh be placed in nomination for the position of Desk Reporter of the House of Representatives, which motion prevailed.

**REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED** that nominations cease, which motion prevailed.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the election of Barbara Middaugh as Desk Reporter of the House of Representatives, the roll was called and there were 104 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Aarsvold; Aas; Anderson, B.; Anderson, R.; Belter; Berg, G.; Berg, R.; Bernstein; Brokaw; Carlson; Christman; Clayburgh; Dalrymple; DeMers, J.; DeMers, P.; Dorso; Enget; Flaagan; Frey; Gates; Gerhardt; Gerl; Gerntholz; Gilmore; Goetz; Gorman; Graba; Gunsch; Halmrast; Hanson, L.; Hanson, O.; Haugen; Haugland; Hausauer, A.; Hausauer, R.; Hoffner; Hokana; Howard; Huether; Jensen; Kaldor; Kelly; Kingsbury; Knell; Kolbo; Kouba; Kretschmar; Lang; Larson, D.; Larson, R.; Laughlin; Lindgren; Marks; Martin; Martinson; Melby; Mertens; Murphy; Myrdal; Nelson; Ness; Nicholas; Nowatzki; O'Shea; Oban; Olsen, D.; Olson, A.; Olson, V.; Payne; Peterson; Rydell; Schatz; Scherber; Schindler; Schmidt; Schneider; Shaft; Shide; Skjerven; Smette; Solberg; Sorensen; Soukup; Starke; Stenehjem; Stofferahn; Thompson, K.; Thompson, V.; Timm; Tokach; Tollefson; Tomac; Trautman; Ulmer; Urlacher; Vander Vorst; Wald; Watne; Wentz; Whalen; Wilkie; Williams, A.; Williams, W.; Speaker Kloubec

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Ring; Shockman

Barbara Middaugh was declared elected Desk Reporter of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Kloubec then administered the Oath of Office to Desk Reporter Barbara Middaugh.

Nominations were opened for the position of Sergeant-at-Arms.

#### MOTIONS

REP. GATES MOVED that the name of David Hillesland be placed in nomination for the position of Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, which motion prevailed.

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that nominations cease, which motion prevailed.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the election of David Hillesland as Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, the roll was called and there were 104 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Aarsvold; Aas; Anderson, B.; Anderson, R.; Belter; Berg, G.; Berg, R.; Bernstein; Brokaw; Carlson; Christman; Clayburgh; Dalrymple; DeMers, J.; DeMers, P.; Dorso; Enget; Flaagan; Frey; Gates; Gerhardt; Gerl; Gerntholz; Gilmore; Goetz; Gorman; Graba; Gunsch; Halmrast; Hanson, L.; Hanson, O.; Haugen; Haugland; Hausauer, A.; Hausauer, R.; Hoffner; Hokana; Howard; Huether; Jensen; Kaldor; Kelly; Kingsbury; Knell; Kolbo; Kouba; Kretschmar; Lang; Larson, D.; Larson, R.; Laughlin; Lindgren; Marks; Martin; Martinson; Melby; Mertens; Murphy; Myrdal; Nelson; Ness; Nicholas; Nowatzki; O'Shea; Oban; Olsen, D.; Olson, A.; Olson, V.; Payne; Peterson; Ring; Rydell; Schatz; Scherber; Schindler; Schmidt; Schneider; Shaft; Shide; Shockman; Skjerven; Smette; Solberg; Sorensen; Soukup; Starke; Stenehem; Stofferahn; Thompson, K.; Thompson, V.; Timm; Tokach; Tollefson; Tomac; Trautman; Ulmer; Urlacher; Vander Vorst; Wald; Watne; Wentz; Whalen; Wilkie; Williams, A.; Williams, W.; Speaker Kloubec

NAYS: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Brokaw; Shockman

David Hillesland was declared elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Kloubec then administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant-at-Arms David Hillesland.

Nominations were opened for Speaker of the House.

#### MOTIONS

Rep. Dalrymple nominated Rep. Kretschmar for Speaker of the House.

Rep. Shaft seconded the motion, which motion prevailed.

REP. SCHNEIDER: Mr. Speaker. Members of the Assembly. With permission of the Speaker, we would like to add a second seconding nomination for William Kretschmar to be Speaker of the House during the Fifty-first Legislative Session. We applaud the decision of the Majority Caucus in submitting and nominating to us the name of William Kretschmar to be Speaker of the House. We have long held William Kretschmar in the highest regard for his intelligence,

for his fairness and his integrity and decency and we look forward to him serving us in this Fifty-first Session.

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that nominations cease, which motion prevailed.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the election of Speaker of the House, the roll was called and there were 104 YEAS, 1 ABSTENTION, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Aarsvold; Aas; Anderson, B.; Anderson, R.; Belter; Berg, G.; Berg, R.; Bernstein; Brokaw; Carlson; Christman; Clayburgh; Dalrymple; DeMers, J.; DeMers, P.; Dorso; Enget; Flaagan; Frey; Gates; Gerhardt; Gerl; Gerntholz; Gilmore; Goetz; Gorman; Graba; Gunsch; Halmrast; Hanson, L.; Hanson, O.; Haugen; Haugland; Hausauer, A.; Hausauer, R.; Hoffner; Hokana; Howard; Huether; Jensen; Kaldor; Kelly; Kingsbury; Kloubec; Knell; Kolbo; Kouba; Lang; Larson, D.; Larson, R.; Laughlin; Lindgren; Marks; Martin; Martinson; Melby; Mertens; Murphy; Myrdal; Nelson; Ness; Nicholas; Nowatzki; O'Shea; Oban; Olsen, D.; Olson, A.; Olson, V.; Payne; Peterson; Ring; Rydell; Schatz; Scherber; Schindler; Schmidt; Schneider; Shaft; Shide; Skjerven; Smette; Solberg; Sorensen; Soukup; Starke; Stenehjem; Stofferahn; Thompson, K.; Thompson, V.; Timm; Tokach; Tollefson; Tomac; Trautman; Ulmer; Urlacher; Vander Vorst; Wald; Watne; Wentz; Whalen; Wilkie; Williams, A.; Williams, W.; Speaker

ABSTENTION: Kretschmar

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Shockman

Rep. Kretschmar was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### MOTIONS

REP. R. ANDERSON MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort the newly elected Speaker to the rostrum, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KLOUBEC APPOINTED Reps. Vander Vorst and Schindler to such committee and Speaker Kretschmar was then escorted to the rostrum.

REP. ANDERSON MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Associate Justice Vandewalle to the rostrum to administer the Oath of Office to the new Speaker.

SPEAKER KLOUBEC APPOINTED Former Speaker R. Hausauer and Former Speaker Kelly to such committee and Associate Justice Vandewalle was escorted to the rostrum and he administered the Oath of Office to Speaker Kretschmar.

#### PRESENTATION OF THE GAVEL

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR presented former Speaker Kloubec with the gavel that he used during the Fiftieth Legislative Assembly.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR: Mr. Speaker. Ladies and gentlemen of this Fifty-first Legislative Assembly in the House of Representatives: It is indeed a singular honor for me to have been elected by you as the Speaker for the 1989 session. I certainly thank each and every one of you with the most heartfelt thanks for this honor that you have given me. I know that it will be a difficult task, but with your help and certainly the help of Chief Clerk Gilbreath, we are going to get through the 1989 session.

Over these past eight sessions that I have served in this House, I have acquired a great deal of affection for this House, its members, and its traditions, and I hope to be its Speaker in the tradition of Reps. Kloubec, R. Hausauer, Kelly, Peterson, Wagner, and Solberg.

This session will be a different one for us, as all of them are different, but it will be especially different for me. I will sorely miss the discussion and the give-and-take of committee work, especially the Judiciary Committee on which I have served since I came.

I am your Speaker, but also your servant, and my office will always be open to all members of the House at any time. Of necessity, the Speaker has to make some hard choices. Not all of you are going to agree with my choices, but I hope you will bear with me because, in my judgment, all those choices will be in the best interests of the House of Representatives. I am a traditionalist and, for the most part, I want to maintain the traditions of the House of Representatives, and maybe on occasion I will want to start a new tradition or two.

One of the great American public figures of this century, Charles Evans Hughes, once said, and I paraphrase, that "no person is worthy of a public office unless ready to give it up immediately at any moment." That is indeed a sobering thought and I hope always to keep it in mind during my tenure as Speaker, as all of us should who serve in a governmental office.

No parliamentary body can work efficiently or get much done without a good set of rules. This House has, in the past, adopted a good set of rules and I believe they will do so again, and I admonish all of the members of the House to become thoroughly familiar with those rules because that is how the work of the House is done, by and through those rules.

I certainly look forward to having a good session. We will have to make some hard choices, but I am sure this Legislative Assembly, both this House and the Senate across the hall, will come up with the best solutions, for this time, for North Dakota and its people. We go into our second century with the Fifty-first Session and I think it will be a fine and a remarkable time. With that, let us get on with the work of the House. There will be a lot of it. Thank you very much.

Again, Mr. Speaker and members of the House, my first duty as your Speaker is indeed a pleasant one. I am to present the gavel used at the 1987 session to Speaker Dick Kloubec, and I might just read the inscription. "The gavel used by Richard Kloubec, Speaker, North Dakota House of Representatives, Fiftieth Legislative Session, 1987." I present it to a friend who did an excellent job.

REP. KLOUBEC: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is the old gavel. I wondered why this puny little thing did not make the noise that it should have when we called the House to order.

It has been a distinct and unique pleasure for me to serve as your Speaker in the last session. I endeavored to be fair and impartial and act to the best of my ability to conduct the business of the House in the best tradition of our former Speakers. It is with some reluctance, as I am sure all other Speakers have felt, to give up the office of Speaker, but that has been our tradition.

Being your speaker has been the highlight of my legislative career until now. To those of you who served in the Fiftieth Legislative Session, I appreciated the trust and confidence you placed in me. Thank you all.

## MOTION

REP. MERTENS MOVED that the remarks of Speaker Kretschmar and Former Speaker Kloubec be printed in the Journal, which motion prevailed.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR ANNOUNCED that the House would be on the Fifteenth order of business. Seating of the members will be handled according to House Rule 350.

HOUSE SEATING SENIORITY TABLE AS SPECIFIED IN HOUSE RULE 350  
(1989 Session not included)

| Name (District)             | Sessions Served  | Total House Sessions | Total Legislative Sessions |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Kloubec, Richard (51)       | 1973-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 7                    | 7                          |
| Payne, Douglas G. (51)      | 1985-87  | 2                    | 2                          |
| Schneider, John T. (21)     | 1983-85-87   | 3                    | 3                          |
| Kelly, Tish (21)            | 1975-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 7                    | 7                          |
| Anderson, Ronald A. (36)    | 1981-83-85-87  | 4                    | 4                          |
| Murphy, Jack (36)           | 1971-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Stofferahn, Scott B. (26)   | 1983-85-87   | 3                    | 3                          |
| Hokana, John (26)           | 1987   | 1                    | 1                          |
| Peterson, Jim (40-50)       | 1967-69-71-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 11                   | 11                         |
| Haugland, Brynhild (40-50)  | 1939-41-43-45-47-49-51-53-55-57-59-61-63-65-67-69-71-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87 | 25                   | 25                         |
| Tollefson, Ben (40-50)      | 1985-87  | 2                    | 2                          |
| Hausauer, Roy (25)          | 1971-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Stenehjem, Allan (25)       |  | 0                    |                            |
| Kretschmar, William E. (30) | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85-87  | 8                    | 8                          |
| Vander Vorst, Wilbur (30)   | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85-87  | 8                    | 8                          |
| Lang, Theodore A. (31)      | 1965-67-69-71-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87  | 12                   | 12                         |
| Schindler, Orville (31)     | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85-87  | 8                    | 8                          |
| Mertens, Charles F. (15)    | 1971-73-75-77-79-81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Berg, Gordon (15)           | 1977-79-81-85-87   | 5                    | 5                          |
| Kingsbury, Harley (16)      | 1967-69-71-73-79-81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Olson, Alice (11)           | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85-87  | 8                    | 8                          |
| Myrdal, Rosemarie (11)      | 1985-87  | 2                    | 2                          |
| Hausauer, Alvin (49)        | 1971-73-75-77-79-81-85-87  | 8                    | 8                          |
| Martinson, Bob (49)         | 1973-75-77-79-81-  | 8                    | 8                          |

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|                           | 83-85-87               |   |   |
| Timm, Mike (5)            | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85 | 7 | 7 |
| Aas, Lynn W. (5)          | 1967-69-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Nicholas, Eugene (10)     | 1975-77-79-81-83-85-87 | 7 | 7 |
| Laughlin, Bruce (23)      | 1971-73-75-77-83-85-87 | 7 | 7 |
| Flaagan, Odell D. (23)    | 1987                   | 1 | 1 |
| Martin, Clarence (38)     | 1975-77-79-81-83-85-87 | 7 | 7 |
| Urlacher, Herbert (38)    |                        | 0 |   |
| Wentz, Janet (41)         | 1975-77-79-81-83-85-87 | 7 | 7 |
| Gunsch, Ronald E. (33)    | 1977-79-81-83-85-87    | 6 | 6 |
| Knell, Gary (33)          | 1987                   | 1 | 1 |
| Melby, Arthur (14)        | 1979-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Howard, John (14)         |                        | 0 |   |
| Brokaw, Jim (28)          | 1979-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Shockman, Kelly (28)      | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Hoffner, Serenus (32)     | 1979-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Oban, Bill (32)           | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Gerl, Jim (34)            | 1971-77-79-81-83-85-87 | 5 | 5 |
| Ulmer, Dan (34)           | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Goetz, William G. (37)    | 1975-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Wald, Francis J. (37)     | 1979-81-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Thompson, Kenneth N. (39) | 1979-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Whalen, Joseph R. (39)    | 1981-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Hanson, Lyle L. (48)      | 1979-81-83-85-87       | 5 | 5 |
| Hanson, Drlin (3)         | 1981-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| O'Shea, Bob (8)           | 1977-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Ness, Diane (8)           |                        | 0 |   |
| Olsen, Dagne B. (19)      | 1981-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Shide, Don (19)           | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Gates, Moine R. (43)      | 1981-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Halmrast, Gerald A. (52)  | 1975-83-85-87          | 4 | 4 |
| Watne, Gene (7)           | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Nowatzki, Robert (10)     | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Larson, Rod (13)          | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Lindgren, Jay (13)        | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| DeMers, Judy L. (17-18)   | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Williams, Adella J. (27)  | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Huether, Robert (27)      |                        | 0 |   |
| Williams, Wade (29)       | 1983-85-87             | 3 | 3 |
| Marks, Dale (29)          | 1987                   | 1 | 1 |
| Enget, June Y. (4)        | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Solberg, R. L. (4)        | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Smette, Beth (6)          | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Starke, William (12)      | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Thompson, Vern (12)       |                        | 0 |   |
| Skjerven, W. C. (16)      | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Belter, Wesley R. (22)    | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Dalrymple, Jack (22)      | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Gerntholz, Gereld F. (24) | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Olson, Vince (24)         | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Frey, Kenneth O. (41)     | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Graba, Jayson (43)        | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |
| Berg, Rick (45)           | 1985-87                | 2 | 2 |

|                            |         |   |   |
|----------------------------|---------|---|---|
| Bernstein, LeRoy (45)      |         | 0 |   |
| Dorso, John (46)           | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Gorman, Steve (46)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Rydell, Cathy (47)         | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Sorensen, Bill (47)        | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Haugen, Jim (1)            | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Schmidt, Raymond (2)       | 1985    | 1 | 1 |
| Nelson, Jeremy (2)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Kolbo, Kevin (3)           | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Christman, Quentin E. (7)  | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| DeMers, Patricia (9)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Wilkie, Gerry L. (9)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Shaft, Grant (17-18)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Clayburgh, Richard (17-18) |         | 0 |   |
| Jensen, Roxanne (17-18)    |         | 0 |   |
| Scherber, Kit (44)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Trautman, Harold N. (48)   | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Tokach, Dick (53)          | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Tomac, Steven W. (53)      | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Gerhardt, Dan (1)          |         | 0 |   |
| Gillmore, Kathi (6)        |         | 0 |   |
| Aarsvold, Ole (20)         |         | 0 |   |
| Kaldor, Lee (20)           |         | 0 |   |
| Kouba, Richard (35)        |         | 0 |   |
| Schatz, Michael A. (35)    |         | 0 |   |
| Anderson, Bruce E. (40-50) |         | 0 |   |
| Carlson, Sarah (42)        |         | 0 |   |
| Ring, Jennifer E. (42)     |         | 0 |   |
| Soukup, Al (44)            |         | 0 |   |
| Larson, Diane (52)         |         | 0 |   |

## ANNOUNCEMENT

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR ANNOUNCED that the House Journal would also show the House Seniority Table.

1989 HOUSE SENIORITY TABLE  
(1989 Session not included)

| Name (District)            | Sessions Served  | Total House Sessions | Total Legislative Sessions |
|----------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Haugland, Brynhild (40-50) | 1939-41-43-45-47-<br>49-51-53-55-57-<br>59-61-63-65-67-<br>69-71-73-75-77-<br>79-81-83-85-87 | 25                   | 25                         |
| Lang, Theodore A. (31)     | 1965-67-69-71-73-<br>75-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87  | 12                   | 12                         |
| Peterson, Jim (40-50)      | 1967-69-71-73-75-<br>77-79-81-83-85-<br>87   | 11                   | 11                         |
| Mertens, Charles F. (15)   | 1971-73-75-77-79-<br>81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Kingsbury, Harley (16)     | 1967-69-71-73-79-<br>81-83-85-87   | 9                    | 9                          |
| Hausauer, Roy (25)         | 1971-73-75-77-79-  | 9                    | 9                          |

|                             |                                  |   |   |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|
|                             | 81-83-85-87                      |   |   |
| Murphy, Jack (36)           | 1971-73-75-77-79-<br>81-83-85-87 | 9 | 9 |
| Olson, Alice (11)           | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Kretschmar, William E. (30) | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Vander Vorst, Wilbur (30)   | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Schindler, Orville (31)     | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Hausauer, Alvin (49)        | 1971-73-75-77-79-<br>81-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Martinson, Bob (49)         | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85-87    | 8 | 8 |
| Timm, Mike (5)              | 1973-75-77-79-81-<br>83-85       | 7 | 7 |
| Nicholas, Eugene (10)       | 1975-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Kelly, Tish (21)            | 1975-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Laughlin, Bruce (23)        | 1971-73-75-77-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Martin, Clarence (38)       | 1975-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Wentz, Janet (41)           | 1975-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Kloubec, Richard (51)       | 1973-77-79-81-83-<br>85-87       | 7 | 7 |
| Gunsch, Ronald E. (33)      | 1977-79-81-83-85-87              | 6 | 6 |
| Melby, Arthur (14)          | 1979-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Berg, Gordon (15)           | 1977-79-81-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Brokaw, Jim (28)            | 1979-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Hoffner, Serenus (32)       | 1979-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Gerl, Jim (34)              | 1971-77-79-81-83                 | 5 | 5 |
| Goetz, William G. (37)      | 1975-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Thompson, Kenneth N. (39)   | 1979-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Hanson, Lyle L. (48)        | 1979-81-83-85-87                 | 5 | 5 |
| Hanson, Orlin (3)           | 1981-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| O'Shea, Bob (8)             | 1977-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Olsen, Dagne B. (19)        | 1981-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Anderson, Ronald A. (36)    | 1981-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Wald, Francis J. (37)       | 1979-81-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Whalen, Joseph R. (39)      | 1981-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Gates, Moine R. (43)        | 1981-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Halmrast, Gerald A. (52)    | 1975-83-85-87                    | 4 | 4 |
| Aas, Lynn W. (5)            | 1967-69-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Watne, Gene (7)             | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Nowatzki, Robert (10)       | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Larson, Rod (13)            | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| DeMers, Judy L. (17-18)     | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Shide, Don (19)             | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Schneider, John T. (21)     | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Stofferahn, Scott B. (26)   | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Williams, Adella J. (27)    | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Shockman, Kelly (28)        | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Williams, Wade (29)         | 1983-85-87                       | 3 | 3 |
| Enget, June Y. (4)          | 1985-87                          | 2 | 2 |

|                            |         |   |   |
|----------------------------|---------|---|---|
| Solberg, R. L. (4)         | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Smette, Beth (6)           | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Myrdal, Rosemarie (11)     | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Starke, William (12)       | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Lindgren, Jay (13)         | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Skjerven, W. C. (16)       | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Belter, Wesley R. (22)     | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Dalrymple, Jack (22)       | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Gerntholz, Gereld F. (24)  | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Olson, Vince (24)          | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Oban, Bill (32)            | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Ulmer, Dan (34)            | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Tollefson, Ben (40-50)     | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Frey, Kenneth O. (41)      | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Graba, Jayson (43)         | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Berg, Rick (45)            | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Dorso, John (46)           | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Rydell, Cathy (47)         | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Payne, Douglas G. (51)     | 1985-87 | 2 | 2 |
| Haugen, Jim (1)            | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Nelson, Jeremy (2)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Schmidt, Raymond (2)       | 1985    | 1 | 1 |
| Kolbo, Kevin (3)           | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Christman, Quentin E. (7)  | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| DeMers, Patricia (9)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Wilkie, Gerry L. (9)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Shaft, Grant (17-18)       | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Flaagan, Odell D. (23)     | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Hokana, John (26)          | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Marks, Dale (29)           | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Knell, Gary (33)           | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Scherber, Kit (44)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Gorman, Steve (46)         | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Sorensen, Bill (47)        | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Trautman, Harold N. (48)   | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Tokach, Dick (53)          | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Tomac, Steven W. (53)      | 1987    | 1 | 1 |
| Gerhardt, Dan (1)          |         | 0 |   |
| Gilmore, Kathi (6)         |         | 0 |   |
| Ness, Diane (8)            |         | 0 |   |
| Thompson, Vern (12)        |         | 0 |   |
| Howard, John (14)          |         | 0 |   |
| Clayburgh, Richard (17-18) |         | 0 |   |
| Jensen, Roxanne (17-18)    |         | 0 |   |
| Aarsvold, Ole (20)         |         | 0 |   |
| Kaldor, Lee (20)           |         | 0 |   |
| Stenehjem, Allan (25)      |         | 0 |   |
| Huether, Robert (27)       |         | 0 |   |
| Kouba, Richard (35)        |         | 0 |   |
| Schatz, Michael A. (35)    |         | 0 |   |
| Urlacher, Herbert (38)     |         | 0 |   |
| Anderson, Bruce E. (40-50) |         | 0 |   |
| Carlson, Sarah (42)        |         | 0 |   |
| Ring, Jennifer E. (42)     |         | 0 |   |
| Soukup, Al (44)            |         | 0 |   |
| Bernstein, LeRoy (45)      |         | 0 |   |
| Larson, Diane (52)         |         | 0 |   |

## MOTION

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that the House adopt as temporary Rules the House and Joint Rules of the Fiftieth Legislative Assembly as adopted on Wednesday, January 7, 1987, and amended on Monday, January 12, 1987, which motion prevailed.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR ANNOUNCED that the next order of business would be the appointment of Procedural Committees.

## PROCEDURAL COMMITTEES

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Governor and the Senate that the House is organized and ready to transact business, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Payne, Martin, and Marks.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of five be appointed to act as the Committee on Delayed Bills, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Kloubec, R. Anderson, Kretschmar, Schneider, and Stofferahn.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of three be appointed to act as the Committee on Arrangements for House Committee Rooms, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Wald, Knell, and V. Thompson.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of five be appointed to act as a Committee on Employment, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Martinson, Melby, Whalen, Ulmer, and Flaagan.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of five be appointed to act as a Committee on Correction and Revision of the Journal, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. V. Olson, Haugen, Schmidt, A. Williams, and Hokana.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of nine be appointed to act as a Committee on House and Joint Rules, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Kloubec, Kretschmar, R. Anderson, Goetz, A. Hausauer, Schneider, Stofferahn, Mertens, and W. Williams.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of three be appointed to act as a Committee on Photography, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Gorman, Sorensen, and Carlson.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that a committee of three be appointed to act, with a like committee from the Senate, as an Inaugural Planning Committee, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED to such committee, Reps. Rydell, D. Larson, and Oban.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR ANNOUNCED that because of the retirement from the House of Representatives of Rep. Olaf Opedahl, there is a vacancy on the Legislative Council.

SPEAKER KRETSCHMAR APPOINTED Rep. Mertens to fill that vacancy on the Legislative Council.

The Committee from the Senate was received, which committee announced that the Senate was now organized and ready to transact business.

MOTIONS

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that the absent member be excused, which motion prevailed.

REP. KLOUBEC MOVED that the House stand adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 7, 1988, which motion prevailed.

ROY GILBREATH, Chief Clerk