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The Convention reconvened at 9:20 a.m., President Kinsey Robinson presiding. ... President Robinson bangs the gavel to call the Convention to order ...

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: I call Friday's session of the 28th Convention to order. Will the Sergeant-at-Arms take charge of the door? We'll begin the session with a video of a rendition of the Star Spangled Banner. ... Video of the Star Spangled Banner played ...
(Standing ovation.)
At this time, I will call on Secretary Danley to give a report and any final remarks and other messages that he needs to take care of.

SECRETARY-TREASURER DANLEY: What a party.
(Applause.)
The hotel told me at the beginning of the week that there was no way we could drink them out of Miller Lite.
(Applause.)
We didn't do it, but we put a hell of a dent in it, I can tell you that.
(Applause.)
I've only received one major complaint and it was from First Vice President Ziegler --
(Laughter and heckling.)
-- and he wants to know which one of you guys turned him in to security last night.
(Applause and laughter.)
Gig wants to tell you there are 31 tickets left for that USA pistol. And we're going to draw for it at the end of the session; right? All right. So here is your chance.
Dale Rose, where are you? Stand up.
(Delegate rises.)
From 185, Dale has retired. Give him a nice round of applause for all of his work.
(Standing ovation.)
Have a good time, Dale. Don't forget us. Thank you, thank you.
And then I understand we have a birthday. Our own -- one of our Vice Presidents, Mike Vasey. Happy birthday.
(Applause.)
We've still got Convention shirts for sale. At the end of the session, if you want to buy them, they're at the regis -- or in -- yeah, at the registration area, so that's that.
This is a union hotel we're in.
(Applause.)
And we've had some great staff this week. Why don't you give the staff a big round of applause.
(Applause.)
We've had some great sponsors and exhibitors here this week. Let me just list them off for you. Our sponsors were the AFL-CIO Investment Trust Corp., American Income Life Insurance Co., Asher, Gittler & D'Alba, Cigna, Ekman, Bohrer & Thulin, Horizon Actuarial Services, Legacy Professionals, Manning & Napier Advisors, NMAPC, Robeco Investment Management, The Kelly Companies and they also put on this Convention for us and they did a hell of
a job.
Thank you very much, Tony.
(Applause.)
Ullico and Union Insurance Group.
Our exhibitors this week were BIT and the HIT, the Center for Construction
Research and Training, National Labor College, NRIPP, Wilson-McShane Corp.,
Ullico, Union Privilege, Union Sportsmen's Alliance, American Income Life,
Bank of Labor, Helmets to Hardhats, Union Insurance Group and Wellcard
Health. Thank you very much.
(Applause.)
Now it's time to thank our International staff. They really have done a
hell of a job for you.
(Applause.)
I'd like to first thank Jamie Zimolong. She is the executive assistant for
the President's Office. This was her first full-time convention and she did
a hell of a job for us. Thank you.
(Applause.)
Erin McDermott, our Media Director. She put the newsletter out every day
for us. She basically does our magazine for us, too. So a big round of
applause for Erin McDermott.
(Applause.)
Frank Massey, he's our financial guru. He's our Financial Services Director
and he bailed out a few delegates. So a nice round of applause for Frank.
(Applause and laughter.)
And, of course, that wise individual who knows so much about our trade, the
safety of it, the research of it, John Barnhard, Research and Education
Director.
(Applause.)
And, of course, there are those back in D.C. that did a lot for this
Convention as well, they just didn't come out here. I want to first thank
my executive assistant and she is the most senior employee for the
International. She has 26 years, Marilyn Dambach.
(Applause.)
This next lady, you know, she doesn't need a title, but she does a lot of
work for all of us. That's Judi Robertson.
(Applause.)
And the ladies that you work so close with on your CRRs, Kristina DeCosse
and Valerie Buchanan.
(Applause.)
Our receptionist, Jimia McClurkin.
(Applause.)
I also want to thank Bruce Lau from Local 40, San Francisco, for bringing
those disks to the Convention, doing all those magazines. He did it on his
own time. He's very passionate about it. Please give him a big round of
applause.
(Applause.)
Stand up, Bruce. Stand up, Bruce. Come on.
(Delegate rises.)
(Standing ovation.)
I also want to thank your entire Executive Board, International reps and
marketing staff. Give them a big round of applause.

(Applause.)

And, lastly, Mr. Chairman, when Sean McGarvey was here the other day, he said, we just don't blow our own horn enough. Well, Brothers and Sisters, it's time to blow that horn. Stand up. Make this Convention shake. And let's give it a big union shout out three times here we go. Stand up.

(Delegates rise.)
Make this place rock.
Union!
... Delegates reply "Union!" ...
Union!
... Delegates reply "Union!" ...
Union.
... Delegates reply "Union!" ...
Lastly, I want to thank you for your support and vote of confidence. And I also want to personally thank my local, Local 96. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)
Mr. Chairman that concludes my remarks.

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary. I'll try to be reasonably brief. I got a fellow named Shawn, he's our Sergeant-at-Arms, and he's kind of keeping an eye on me. And if I don't have it shut down by 10:00 o'clock, he's going to put that size 11 boot you know where. So I can't goof around too long. Mr. McCullough please give me a break if I go a little bit over.

What I'd like to do next is -- and I'll tell you what, Bob, what a great closing. Was that fabulous, huh?

(Applause.)
I'd like to call on the Subcommittee Chairmen of the Entertainment Committee to give a short report on the activities, so we can close them out.
I'll call on Chairman Bickford of the Golf Committee.

(Applause.)

GOLF SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR BICKFORD: How about those Red Sox?
... Delegates cheer and heckle ...
I've been to about five or six Conventions and I've never had a Convention like this. In all of the times that I've been here, we've always had problems here, and this was the greatest Convention I ever had. And I -- we owe it all to President Robinson and Bob Danley. I mean, they put something together that was unbelievable.

(Standing ovation.)
And you know, from Day 1, I didn't even know it was them.

(Laughter.)
They were two different people than I know. But this was the best Convention I ever had in my whole entire -- it's breaking me up, it is. I'm going to go through the golf thing. I'm just going to give you the two Vice Presidents and Organizer name of the teams.
First place, Mike Stiens, Vice President.

(Applause.)
Second place, Frank Wall, you know, Organizer.

(Laughter.)
Third place, Peterson, Bob. I mean, come on. Give us a break here. You know what I mean? You know, they put the money in their pocket and don't say shit, you know.

(Applause and laughter.)

Closest to the pin, Kevin Coleman.

(Applause.)

Bill Callahan.

And George Rimmer -- Rimmey it was the longest drive, which was 350 yards. And I believe he was on Mike Stien's team. They took all the money.

(Laughter.)

And they raffled off -- because they only had three guys on the team, they raffled off the $100, but who knows who got it, you know. I think they got it.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Chairman Bickford for those well reasoned remarks.

(Laughter.)

I'd like to call now on Brent Beasley, Chairman of the Sporting Clay Committee.

SPORTING CLAY COMMITTEE CHAIR BEASLEY: It's a tough act to follow. Okay. I think it was a good day for good sporting clays, no one got shot, most important.

Here we go: First place, A Class, Richard Heffner, with a score of 84.

(Applause.)

Second, Steve Peterson with a score of 75.

(Applause.)

Third, Tom Cash, 70.

(Applause.)

First place, B Class, Ross Bernadino, 45.

(Applause.)

Second, Steve Cruiseback, 45.

(Applause.)

Third, Oather Duncan, 44.

(Applause.)

The winner of the C Class -- and this is the second year she won -- Sheryl Kaonohi.

(Applause.)

Second was John Keeley, 32.

(Applause.)

Third, Gary Stepka, 31.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Brent. By the way, Brent was disqualified because he was caught with an eraser on his pencil.

(Laughter.)

Now I'll call on Don O'Blenis, Chairman of the Go-Cart Subcommittee.

GO-CART SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR O'BLENIS: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to thank my Co-Chairman, Kevin King from Local 20.
Third place was Thomas Benjamin.
(Applause.)
Second place was Brett Martin and the winner was Mark Woodward.
(Applause.)
I would like to take just a second here, I've been a member of this fine organization for 43 years. I've served a lot of positions over the years. I've been on the Executive Board for the State Building Trades in Indiana since 1988. I served as President for 10 years. I'm on the State AFL-CIO in Indiana. But as far as I'm concerned, this is the best bunch of union leaders in this country up here at this dais.
(Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you Chairman O'Blenis.
All in favor of releasing the committee, signify by saying "aye."
(Chorus of ayes.)
Released.
Now we've had a number of requests -- well, more than a number, to run the slide show that you saw last evening once again during the Convention. So if we could do that, Tony, I'd appreciate it.
... Convention highlight slide show presented ...
(Applause.)
We now have one piece of important business and that is the appointment of the Convention Site Selection Committee for the 2018 Convention. And we're going to appoint six individuals all from around the country.
Brian Brousseau, Local 33.
(Applause.)
Nick Siciliano, Local 8.
(Applause.)
Gary Menzel, Local 11.
(Applause.)
Kevin King, Local 20.
(Applause.)
Brent Beasley, Local 220.
(Applause.)
And Russ Garnett, Local 49.
(Applause.)
Now, this Committee will meet with Vice President Bickford's International Convention Committee in 2015 at the Building Trades Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. And what comes out of that combined committee meeting, they will make a recommendations to your International Executive Board as to where to hold the next Convention. And by Constitution, we have to pick that site three years out from the next Convention, that's why it's done in 2015.
Before we go to wrapping this up, do you have one more trunk monkey in the bag there.
... "Trunk monkey" video played ...
(Applause and laughter.)
Now you know to be honest with you, I don't think we can ever hold another Convention without the trunk monkey.
On Monday, yeah, I promised you that you will go home having participated in this 2013 Convention. And I believe that we, the officers, we kept that promise to you, but I must thank you the delegates. You know, the outcome of this week really has laid on your shoulders. Your participation and dedication to your membership made this the best Convention ever as you've heard from the other officers. I wish to thank Secretary-Treasurer Danley and each Vice President and International rep for their willingness to serve with me for another five-year term and I appreciate it.

(Standing ovation.)
Delegate at Mic 4?

DELEGATE DAVIDSON: Thank you. President Robinson, Financial Secretary-Treasurer Danley, International Vice Presidents, especially Local 12's representative, Tom Pedrick. Congratulations for a well-deserved re-election.
I would like to ask that I be allowed to address the body with remarks and concerns over our pension plan, the NRIPP. Our pension is currently well funded. I would encourage the union trustees to consider a modest increase of at least point 35 percent increase to the participants of the plan. An extremely conservative increase of point 35 percent would put participants' benefits at 1.5 percent. That small increase, I believe, would encourage local unions to increase contributions to the plan and send a positive signal to the rank -- signal to the rank and file that their International leadership hears and takes their concerns seriously.
Additionally, our working retirees, those of our members that are fortunate enough to not only reach retirement age in one piece, they continue to work in our local unions in some capacity. These members deserve to have the trustees of the NRIPP act in their best interests, as it is their job as trustees, working this year receiving your benefits in full -- I'm sorry, let me try that again. Let's see.
-- working this year receiving your benefits in full the following year at 25 cents on the dollar is simply wrong, unfair and a travesty, in my opinion, and in the opinion of my officers and members of Local 12.
I would ask especially our union trustees to fix this problem straight away and especially with the new administration, I think it's a perfect time to do that. And, again, now that the conference is over and we've got to roll up our sleeves and get back to work, I'd like that to be on the agenda.

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you for your comments, Butch. And I appreciate your continuing to work with us on trying to look for resolutions on our pension problems. I appreciate it.

DELEGATE DAVIDSON: I don't believe I announced, Butch Davidson, Local 12, New Haven, Connecticut.

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, again.
(Appause.)
You know, back to my remarks, we're truly a unified team. And we were unified coming into this Convention and we're more unified now, all of us, the delegates and your Officers.
I also wish to thank the Convention Committees. Without the hard work of
the Committees, this thing would have not run so smoothly. And once again,
I want to thank Chairman David Critchley and the entire Election Committee
for a job well done.
(Applause.)
I want to thank our special Convention staff, Clark Shiley, Frank Olenick,
Shawn McCullough and Jimmy Brown who both also served as Sergeant-at-Arms,
but let me tell you, these four guys --
(Applause.)
-- These four guys are great trade unionists, and it meant a lot to me
personally to have them here at this Convention.
(Applause.)
I also want to thank Luis -- Luke who is helping out with the staff in our
office. And Bob already went through thanking all the staff in a great and
gracious way. But there's something I want you to know about that staff in
that office in there. They're not just staff of ours, they're members of
Local 123, Dallas-Fort Worth Texas Roofers Union.
(Applause.)
I want to thank the Marketing Department for everything they've done these
last several years and everything they will do in the future: Jordan
Ritenour, Frank Wall, Fred Gee, Raul Galaz, and James Scott who has acted as
our podium manager this week.
(Applause.)
And I want to thank the Convention staff. Bob had mentioned The Kelly
Companies who have done the great job of putting this Convention on, but I
specifically want to thank Rick Sabo, Tony Bond, this was the best I've ever
worked with in 10 Conventions. The best ever.
(Applause.)
KR teleprompter, the operator, the court reporters and all the other support
staff. And I also want to thank our photographer, Chuck Bernard and his
assistant, Vince Munoz.
(Applause.)
Finally, I'd like to thank the Sergeant-at-Arms Committee for an extremely
orderly Convention. Well done. And I ask Chairman Stiens to come to the
mic for their dismissal.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS COMMITTEE CHAIR STIENS: Good morning.
... Delegates respond "Good Morning"...
Before I get going here, I'd just like to do a clarification for Mr.
Bickford.
Russ Garnett won the $100 that we drew.
(Applause.)
All right. Also on this, before I get started, I'd like to thank Eric
Anderson. He did a wonderful job. He's the Secretary of the
Sergeant-at-Arms, but since I was up here this year, he was doing all the
work for us. Okay.
(Applause.)
And now I'd like to thank the Committee: Eric Anderson, Minneapolis,
Minnesota, Local 96; Shawn McCullough, Convention staff; Jack Lee, Erie,
Pennsylvania, Local 210; Jim Brown, Convention staff; Joe Pozzi,
Hammond/Gary, Indiana, Local 26; Dale Solano, who has been with me a few times on this Committee, okay, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Local 58; Mike Miller, Rock Island, Illinois, Local 32; Mitch Terhaar, Chicago, Illinois, Local 11; Lupe Corral, Los Angeles, California, Local 36 and Carlos Opfermann, Oakland, California, Local 81. At this time, Mr. Chairman, I'd like to be excused for 10 years. Thank you. How about just five?

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: The reason Mike said "10 years" is because we forgot to excuse him five years ago.
So all in favor of releasing the Committee, please signify by saying "aye."
(Chorus of ayes.) Thank you.
And, lastly, I want to mention our two hard working International reps, also I referred to the International reps when I referred to the Vice Presidents, I'd like to name them. Eric Anderson and Gabby Pera, they are on the road six days a week busting their hump.
(Appause.)
If I could call to the dais Jordan Ritenour, Fred Myers and Mike D'Olivera, we're going to have a pistol drawing. And we're going to find out who's going home with that 1911.

FRED MYERS (USA): I guess everybody knows me, Fred Myers, Union Sportsmen's Alliance.
(Appause.)
Listen, again, what a great Convention this has been. I hope you've enjoyed it nearly as much as we have, but it's just been great to be with everyone here.
I just can't say thank you enough for all that you guys do for this organization and what you mean to us. And I've got a couple of special announcements here that I wanted to make and then we have got a drawing that we want to do.
... Delegate heckles from the floor "pick the gun"...
No, we've got to make announcements.
Where is Jimmy Weingardner? I just wanted to introduce you to Jimmy. You remember about a year and a half or two years ago, Jimmy won the bull elk hunt from the Union Sportsmen's Alliance and we put him in the magazine.
And then also we had -- if you saw in the back of your magazine there, our Carhartt give away and that was an all-expense paid trip for two people to Nashville for the Country Music Awards that are coming up in a few weeks and Michael Pozniak from Local 30 in Philly won that, so you guys are a bunch of lucky rascals. We called him last night and he was ecstatic about it. So I just wanted to pass that on.
Gig.

JORDAN RITENOUR: Mr. Robinson, Mr. Danley, thanks for the party. Even though I don't drink, many of you think I do after last night.
(Laughter.)
We're going to --
FRED MYERS: Save a cowboy or -- that's right save a horse, ride a cowboy.

JORDAN RITENOUR: Absolutely. We're going to do three different raffles -- or drawings here. One is going to be for a Binocular Champ, one is for a Binocular Predator and the big winner will be the gun. The gun is not going with you today. The gun will go with me. You'll need to fill out this form, return it to Walter Ingram, unless you know the dealer that you are going to have it shipped through; if you are, I'll be more than happy to take it and get it to Walter for you.
Give yourself a round of applause. We sold -- (Applause.)
We sold every ticket. Congratulations. All right. So here we go. We have a box full of tickets.
All right. This is for the first set of binoculars, right and the winner is, Tom Pedrick.
... Delegates heckle from the floor ...
He said throw it back in, he wants the gun.
Tom just bought a ticket.
Mixing them up. Mixing them up.
The second set of binoculars, Tom Brumitt. Tom Brumitt.
(Appause.)
All right. Drum roll, please, for the 1911 handgun, union made, USA made and the winner is Dan Richardson.
(Appause.)
Elmira, New York.
... Presentation of 1911 gun to Dan Richardson ...

JORDAN RITENOUR: Congratulations, man. Thank you.
(Appause.)
Thank you guys all again. We appreciate everything.

SECRETARY-TREASURER DANLEY: Delegate at Mic 4?

DELEGATE BARNES: Steve Barnes, Local 106, Evansville, Indiana. Anybody wants another chance at that gun, I've got more tickets. And we'll be auctioning it off November the 15th.

SECRETARY-TREASURER DANLEY: How many you got left?

DELEGATE BARNES: Probably 160.

SECRETARY-TREASURER DANLEY: Tommy will take them all.
(Laughter.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: We are going to run a quick film and then we're going to finish up. A little God bless America.
... Video played ...
(Standing ovation.)
Now it's great to be a union roofer and it's great to be an American.
... Several delegates respond "Amen" ...
We have support letters from some of our other national unions. Gentlemen, you just hold on and when I get ready, I'm going to call for comments from the audience, but we have some support letters from other unions. And it shows you the solidarity that other folks have with us, especially in the Building Trades. I'm not going to read these letters, I'll be up here for an hour, but we have letters from the Laborers, Terry O'Sullivan; the Bricklayers, James Boland; President of the Painters, Kenneth Rigmaiden; President of the Sheetmetal, Joe Nigro; President of the Insulators, James Grogan; President of the Ironworkers, Walter Wise; our friends at the Machinists, they've aligned with us on almost every issue, Tom Buffenbarger; the Cement Masons and Plasterers, Pat Finley and, again, another union outside the building trades, but has always aligned with us and stands up for our issues, the Bakery and Confectionery and Tobacco Workers, David Durkey; we've got our friends at the Boilermakers, Newton Jones; Elevator Constructors, Frank Christensen; and finally a letter from the IBEW, Ed Hill. And, again, I'd like to read them all to you, but it would take a while.

Is there any other further business, coming before the 28th Convention? I see a delegate at Mic 1.

DELEGATE NIELSEN: Hello, gentlemen. My name is Tom Nielsen, Roofers and Waterproofers Local 162 here in Las Vegas. International Mr. President Kinsey, Secretary-Treasurer Bob Danley, all other Vice Presidents here, our local roofer members, I would like to thank you for hosting this 28th International Roofers Convention here in our beautiful city of Las Vegas. It was a wonderful time, a great time. I hope everybody had a good time, spent a lot of money, won a lot of money. Thank you very much. I enjoyed this. Thank you for listening to me.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you for your comments, Tom.

I have Brother Joe Pozzi at Mic No. 3.

DELEGATE POZZI: Joe Pozzi, Business Representative Roofers Local 26, Hammond/Gary. I'd just like to have our Business Manager, Jeff Lussow, recognized as a 36-year member of our local. He's done a great job running our local. He will be stepping down in December and retiring. And I just wanted to wish him all the luck in the world and a long, happy retirement.

(Standing ovation.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Stand up, Jeff.

Any further business coming before the Convention?

Sal at Mic No. 2.

DELEGATE GIOVANNIELLO: I'd like to address the letter that was handed out earlier about the UPS and just to give you a little background on it. What happened there is we were on top of this project right from the beginning, right from when it was bid out and they continued to proceed with the non-union contractor on that job. So we were there at the beginning of it
and when -- the first day the job started, we were out there with a picket line. And what they did was they went as far as leasing an empty lot that was attached to the back of their parking lot and gated us around the corner. So we counted -- with that -- with taking our line down and making an informational line and we put our rat back up in front of their facility. We went out and we borrowed a couple of rats from some of our brother locals, Local 30 and Local 8. And we put multiple rats up on a number of their facilities every day. So UPS, you know, dug their feet in and they went ahead and did that job non-union. And, Kinsey, you mentioned about -- in your opening statements a fight. Well, we're going to continue to fight and we haven't stopped fighting and we'll continue to fight. So the answer to that is "Yes."

(Applause.)

And one of the reasons for that is up in the Northeast Council, we have a warrior there that guides us and gives us our guidance. And I'd like to just recognize Tom Pedrick.

(Applause.)

I think I speak for the whole Northeast District Council, New Jersey Council, you know, Tom, thank you. And that's not only from Local 154, but also from my big brother, Local 8. Thank you.

(Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Sal. And thank you, Local 154, for keeping up the fight. Are there any further issues coming before this Convention? Mic No. 1. Paul Blaski.

DELEGATE BLASKI: Yes, my name is Paul Blaski, a delegate from Local 54, Seattle, Washington. And as many of you know, I retired as an International rep in May. And I'd like to thank my friend and President, Kinsey Robinson, for the opportunity to serve this proud organization. And I'm not dead I'm just retired. But I'm still active. And if anybody wants to -- needs some help or would like some, you know, some help doing some things around or you need some information, just give me a call. And you can get a hold of me through the International. And it has been my pleasure to serve this organization, not only for the General President and Vice Presidents, but also my local union. And also, more importantly, the members that I've come in contact with, and I hope I've done a good job.

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Paul.

(Standing ovation.)

And the whole Convention wishes you a long and happy retirement. Jeff Eppenstein, Mic No. 1.

DELEGATE EPPENSTEIN: Thank you. Jeff Eppenstein, Roofers Local 11. I'd like to thank Business Manager Sal from Local 8 for bringing the attention to UPS. We, too, in Chicago are having a problem with this corporation. We, too, have been pushed across the curb, threatened to be arrested with our banners and our rats. And this is a perfect opportunity
for us to reach out across our country through the different methods that we spoke of throughout this Convention, social media. And we need to put corporations like this on notice. And I think this is a great opportunity to do it. So I thank Sal for bringing it to the attention of this delegation. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you for your comments, Jeff. Brother at Mic No. 1.

DELEGATE LAU: UPS did the same thing to us about three years ago. We picketed them with the Laborers for months, but they did it non-union. And, I mean, they're doing it all -- it was a Minnesota company that came out to do the job, I don't know how they underbid our guys, but that's how it was.

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Bruce. (Applause.) Gary Menzel, Mic. No. 1.

DELEGATE MENZEL: Gary Menzel, Chicago, Illinois, Local 11. Sal, thanks for those words about emulating the fight from President Robinson. We do need to continue to fight. We need to fight for our membership. We need to fight for our jurisdiction. We need to fight for our training centers. We need to go back home, keep the fight up. And we need to kick some non-union ass of these corporations that do not want to use us. Please everyone let's fight. Fight. Fight. Please. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT ROBINSON: Thank you, Gary. Is there any further business coming before the Convention? (No response.) Seeing none, this Convention is adjourned. Thank you.

... President Robinson bangs the gavel ...

(Standing ovation.)

... Whereupon the Convention session adjourned sine die ...