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The Assembly of State Voting Delegates of the 2008 Conference for Food Protection was convened at the Omni San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade, San Antonio, Texas, with Elizabeth Nutt, conference Chair, presiding.

THE CHAIR: Okay. I'm going to go ahead and call the general assembly to order. I would like to welcome you to the 2008 Conference for Food Protection General Assembly. I would like to make introductions of my colleagues here on the riser.

To my immediate left -- immediate right, Mr. Allen Gelfius, our parliamentarian; Mr. Jeff Lineberry, our executive director; and Mr. Trevor Hayes, our executive treasurer. To my left we have Ms. Lee Cornman, Council I Chair; Mr. John Gurrisi, Council II Chair; and Mr. David Ludwig, Council III Chair. He's being two people today. And where is Ben? Is Ben Gale here? And Ben Gale. He's coming. He's always late.

I do want to say just a few thank yous to the wonderful, wonderful group here, the delegates the council members, the committee members, the hotel, the LAC Committee. This has been an exceptional conference. It has run smoothly, again, showing the true collaborative spirit that this conference
encourages and promotes. And I have enjoyed being a part of this organization.

And now I will turn it over to Jeff to conduct the delegate role call.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. I will begin with the role call of states. As I read out the name of your state, I'd like you to respond by indicating the share of the vote you have. If you have a full vote, so state. If you have less than a full vote, please indicate the share of the vote you have; for instance, one-half or one-third.

Alabama?

ALABAMA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Alaska?

ALASKA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Arizona?

ARIZONA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Arkansas?

ARKANSAS: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: California?

CALIFORNIA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Colorado?

COLORADO: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Connecticut?

CONNECTICUT: Full vote.
JEFF LINEBERRY: Delaware?
DELWARE: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Florida?
FLORIDA: One-third vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Georgia?
GEORGIA: One-half and one-half.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Hawaii?
HAWAII: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Idaho?
IDAHO: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Illinois?
ILLINOIS: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Indiana?
Indiana: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Iowa?
IOWA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Kansas?
KANSAS: Half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Kentucky?
KENTUCKY: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Louisiana?
LOUISIANA: Full vote.
JEFF LINEBERRY: Maine?
MAINE: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Maryland?
MARYLAND: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Massachusetts?
MASSACHUSETTS: Full vote

JEFF LINEBERRY: Michigan?
MICHIGAN: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Minnesota?
MINNESOTA: One-half

JEFF LINEBERRY: Mississippi?
MISSISSIPPI: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Missouri?
MISSOURI: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Montana?
MONTANA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Nebraska?
NEBRASKA: Half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Nevada?
NEVADA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: New Hampshire? There is no representative from New Hampshire.

New Jersey?
NEW JERSEY: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: New Mexico?

NEW MEXICO: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: New York?

NEW YORK: Half vote.

NEW YORK: One-half.

JEFF LINEBERRY: North Carolina?

NORTH CAROLINA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: North Dakota?

NORTH DAKOTA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Ohio?

OHIO: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Oklahoma?

OKLAHOMA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Oregon?

OREGON: One-half

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JEFF LINEBERRY: Pennsylvania?

PENNSYLVANIA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Rhode Island?

RHODE ISLAND: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: South Carolina?

SOUTH CAROLINA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: South Dakota?

SOUTH DAKOTA: Full vote.
JEFF LINEBERRY: Tennessee?
TENNESSEE: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Texas
TEXAS: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Utah?
UTAH: Half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Vermont?
VERMONT: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Virginia?
VIRGINIA: Half vote.

VIRGINIA: Strong half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Washington?
WASHINGTON: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: West Virginia?
WEST VIRGINIA: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Wisconsin?
WISCONSIN: Half vote.

WISCONSIN: Half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Wyoming?
WYOMING: Full vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: District of Columbia?
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: One-half.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Territory of Guam?

No representation.
Puerto Rico?

PUERTO RICO: Half vote.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Mariannas?

No representation.

American Samoa?

No representation.

JEFF LINEBERRY: That completes the role call. The parliamentarian will ascertain what constitutes a majority and what constitutes two-thirds, and we'll have the total number of delegates present here in a moment. We are represented by 49 states, the District of Columbia, and one territory.

Caucus elections to fill the positions on the executive board this year resulted in the following members being named to the board: In the state regulatory group for the Pacific Region, Dave Gifford from the State of Washington. His term will expire in 2014;

For the Mid-Atlantic states, Sheri Morris from Pennsylvania. Term expires in 2014;

In the Southwest Region, Mary Fandrey from the Missouri Agriculture Department. Her term expires -- excuse me -- Missouri Health. Excuse me. Term expires in 2012;

In the local regulatory group for the
Pacific Region, David Ludwig from Maricopa County, Arizona. Term expires 2014;

For the mid-Atlantic, Mike Diskin, Allegheny County Health in Pennsylvania. Term expires 2010;

For the Southwest Region, Elizabeth Nutt Tulsa, Oklahoma. Term expires 2014;

And the Midwest, Roger Coffman from Illinois. Term expires 2012;

For the industry at large delegate elected was Donna Garren of the National Restaurant Association. Term expires in 2014;

Representing Food Manufacturing, Michael Roberson, Publix Markets. Term expires 2014;

And for the Vending Industry segment, Frank Ferko of the U.S. Food Service. Term expires in 2014;

For Academia, Dr. David McSwane of Indiana University, Purdue University in Indianapolis. His term expires 2014;

The consumer position on the board is vacant at this time. In addition your executive board has confirmed the appointment of the following members to position of council vice chair: For Council I, Ms. Karen Reid of the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health
District;

For Council II, Mr. Doug Campbell of Environmental Health Testing;

And for Council III, Dr. Richard Linton of Purdue University.

I want to also advise you that our 2010 conference meeting will be held April 9th through the 14th, 2010 at the Westin Hotel in Providence, Rhode Island. Please mark those dates and plan to attend. The dates are also posted on the conference Web site located at www.foodprotect.org.

I have an important notice to read at this time: A quorum must be present. A quorum is defined as the presence of registered voting delegates from at least two-thirds of the states with designated official delegates in attendance at the conference meeting. Each territory and the District of Columbia shall count as one-half vote -- one-half state in constituting quorum.

A two-thirds majority is required to change a procedure adopted at a previous conference or to make changes in the constitution and bylaws. Other actions require a simple majority unless specifically covered by Robert's Rules of Order. The voting choices are as follows: Yes, no, or abstain.
The council recommendation cannot be changed. Votes are cast by a show of hands by the voting delegates. Role call notes are taken only if requested by a delegate. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Thank you, Jeff. Just a few other words before we begin. I did want to recognize my vice chair, Larry Kohl. Larry, thank you so much for keeping me safe.

I also want to make sure that Cory Hedman and Fred Reimers are not sitting together.

I'll continue on with some housekeeping rules as soon as Trevor finishes his report. I apologize, Trevor.

TREVOR HAYES: What just happened gives credence to the thought, "Forgotten but not gone."

I have a brief report for you. We started with 415 registrants in advance of the biennial meeting. Slightly in advance of the biennial meeting, we lost about 15 for other commitments. And then as a result, in large part because of the transportation difficulties we all had, we lost another 17. Our net registration at this point is 388. That compares quite favorably with the registration in Columbus. And, given the circumstances of this meeting, I think it shows that it bodes well.
Our workshop registration approximates 220, almost identical to that in Columbus. And I thank you for that.

Our total membership for the first time ever -- this is a record -- is over 700. This is paid members. Never before. We have a virtual even split between regulatory and industry, again, an indication of good balance within this organization.

And I think also an example of a pattern that has evidenced itself over recent years, we have 150 new members. To me that's a good indication that we have people interested, willing to come, know about our organization, and make the commitment to come here and spend five to six days and a lot of money to make this happen.

Our year-end -- this is year-end now, 2007. So there will be some -- definitely some expenditures and registration activity that occurred since the year-end. But our year-end treasury shows $150,000 in the treasury. This amount of money will carry on the business for the next two-year period and it shows us to be in good stead from a treasury standpoint.

If you are interested, we also post our quarterly financial reports on the Web site, and you are
welcome to view that. Please do so.

Our financial health is also due in large part to support, shall I say, tremendous support from our corporate sponsors. This year we had a record $72,000 in corporate sponsorship money. Thank you very much.

(Applause)

That was 37 sponsors, and we have renewed interest in the sponsorship campaign. We've been approached by a number of people who are already expressing interest in future support for Providence beyond. With that, that concludes my report, Madam Chair.

THE CHAIR: Okay. Just some housekeeping things. Again, we'll remind you to please turn off your cell phones and the pagers so as not to disrupt the proceedings. And we also ask that the delegates please remain in the room during voting. If for some reason you have to leave, please let us know. And if you're not returning and you've made arrangements to have a proxy, that will be fine. We'll ask that you do remain in the room during voting proceedings.

If you wish to speak to an issue, please, if you are close, come to the microphones. If you are unable to get to the microphone in a timely manner, we
ask that you stand and speak loudly. You must state
your name and your state and/or affiliation so that the
stenographer can record that information.

If you are in the audience and wish to
speak, you must be recognized by a delegate to yield the
floor to you. And the chair will recognize you after
you've introduced yourself to speak.

As tradition has it, we would like to
keep the deliberations to a minimum, so we've
traditionally had a motion to limit the debate time. So
if it is the will of delegates to do so, I will
entertain a motion now to limit the length of time.

Mr. David Ludwig?

DAVID LUDWIG: Madam Chairman, David
Ludwig, Arizona. I vote that we limit debate on
extracted items to a total of ten minutes with a maximum
time of two minutes per speaker.

THE CHAIR: We have a motion on the
floor. Is there a second?

RIC MATHIS (FLORIDA): I second.

THE CHAIR: Okay. So we have a second.

Is there any discussion on the length of time.

(No response)

So we have a motion on the floor to limit
the debate to ten minutes total, beginning with the
speaker -- the presenter for two minutes and then two
minutes thereafter per speaker. All those in favor say
yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: Any opposed?

(No response)

Motion carries.

Did you get that? Two minutes per
speaker. Okay. Now I'll return the podium over to
Mr. Al Gelfius for further instructions on our
procedures.

PARLIAMENTARIAN GELFIUS: Good morning.

I hope y'all are well today. I know that you've come
prepared to debate and you're going to play nice by the
rules. But just as a matter of order, we're going to go
through them and quickly review them.

In a few moments we will ask each of the
chairs to come forward. The chairs will present a
report from their council. We will go in order, Council
I, II, and then III.

Each report will contain two parts.

Part 1 of each report will contain those issues for
which the council is recommending that you pass the
issue, either as written or as amended. So they are the
affirmative recommendations. Part 2 of each council
report will be those issues for which the council is
recommending that this body take no action.

Okay. The process of the Conference For
Food Protection is that the items come from the council
to the assembly with recommendation from the council.
Therefore, we will entertain those issues as affirmative
motions. The intent is that the council wants this body
to follow their recommendation.

All right. We will take each part of
each report in pieces. So each council chair will come
forward and present their report for Part 1, the
affirmatives. If you would like to extract an issue for
further discussion, you simply need to rise, identify
yourself, and request that it be extracted at the time
that Ms. Elizabeth asks for you to do that. We do not
have to vote to extract an issue. Any delegate may
extract one.

Once all of the issues from Part 1 of a
report have been extracted, we will then entertain a
motion to accept the remaining part of that package as a
whole, and we will vote to accept them. In other words,
we're voting to accept the council's recommendation.

We will then go through each issue that
was extracted individually and entertain discussion. As
we just discussed, we will have a time limit for each
issue that is extracted of ten minutes with two minutes
limited for each speaker.

Okay. Once we have finished Part 1 of
council report, we will move to Part 2. Those are the
items again for which the council is recommending that
you take no action. If you extract an issue for which
the council's recommending no action, then presumably
you don't want the issue to die because that's where
it's going. That means you want to discuss it.

Let me make clear that that issue that
has been recommended for no action has only one
alternative. It can go back to the executive board for
further review and deliberation, and its determination
at that point is up to the board.

Okay. Because those are no-action items,
we can be a little confused sometimes, so let me make
sure that we are clear. Again, even if we extract a
no-action issue and discuss it, the motion we're going
to entertain is to accept the council's recommendation
for no action. So if you are not in favor of no action
after the discussion, you have to vote no to the no
action. If you vote yes, in favor of no action, then
the issue dies.

Okay. There will be no tweaking or
changing of the issues, much as it might please us to
dream of doing so. The affirmative issues come forward and are voted and could be discussed, but we will not change them. The language that is in the issue is the language that goes forward to the executive board. Whatever direction is there is there.

Okay. So if we discuss an issue, for example, that the recommendation from the council is to approve as written or as amended and you want to extract it and discuss it, your only option is to endorse the council's recommendation and send it forward or defeat it, in which case it dies. There is no changing of language before. You cannot change the letter that's going to a particular agency. It will not happen.

Any questions on parliamentary procedure?

(No response)

We do have a quorum present. The numbers ironically turned out convenient for us. There is a total present today of 50 full votes. A quorum is present. A quorum represents two-thirds. Two-thirds for voting purposes will be 33, and the majority will be 26.

The constitution and bylaws issues in the Council II report will automatically be extracted per our constitution and bylaws. So you do not have to extract those. You are welcome to extract others from
Council II.

If there are no questions, I'll turn it back to Madam Chair. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Okay. At this time we're ready to hear Council I report. Ms. Cornman, would you please give us the report for Council I.

LEE CORNMAN: Thank you, Madam Chair. It was a great honor for me to serve as the Council I chair. I truly am grateful for the opportunity. I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to those who served for the past two years as committee chairs and their members, to the council members, the scribing members, and my two vice chairs.

On behalf of my vice chair, Terry Levee and the council members, I would like to submit Part 1 of Council I report. For Part 1 we have 12 issues accepted as submitted, five issues accepted as amended. Of those five issues that were accepted as amended, No. 19 and No. 20 were combined issues.

THE CHAIR: Yes. That's Part 1. Does anyone wish to extract an issue from Part 1 of Council I's report?

RICHARD CLARK (UTAH): Madam Chairman, Richard Clark, the Utah Department of Agriculture. And I would request that items I-19, I-21, and I-22 be
extracted.

THE CHAIR: We have a request to extract Issue 19, 21 and 22 from Council I, part one's report. Any other extractions?

(No response)

Hearing none, I will now entertain a motion to accept Part 1 of Council I's report. Do I have a motion?

PATRICK GUZZLE (IDAHO): So moved.

KAREN REID (CONNECTICUT): Second.

THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion?

(No response)

All those in favor of accepting the report of Part 1 of Council I, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed -- any opposed, please say no.

(No response)

The motion carries.

Now, we will -- let's see. I will entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. 19. Do I have a motion to accept -- do I have a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. 19?

CHRIS GORDON (VIRGINIA): So moved.
THE CHAIR: Do I have a second?

SUSAN STRONG (CALIFORNIA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Okay. Is there any discussion? And, again, a reminder that the agreed upon time limit for this is ten minutes, two per speaker.

CHRIS GORDON (VIRGINIA): Madam Chair, I'd like to recognize Dale Yamnik from the Creek Valley Work Group.

THE CHAIR: Dale?

DALE YAMNIK: Thank you, Madam Chair, delegates. Just wanted to take a quick minute and a little discussion. I didn't understand there were a few people who had some concerns regarding how this was going to be used. In that fairly lengthy spreadsheet as one of the attachments that had been submitted. In addition to that, there was a list or a few pages that explains how to use the spreadsheet.

There was some concern from individuals that this would need to be used by inspectors in the field. That is not the intention. That spreadsheet and those instructions were initially designed as FDA went through the process, we value which each of those -- which category each of those provisioned food codes should fall into.

Going forward we would see that being
used only in a meeting like this, for instance, where people wanted to go back, evaluate, and see if there should be a change on that designation. Additionally, we did have earlier discussion at the close of meetings yesterday, and I think we've got a pretty consensus that we're going to not finalize this until the end of this year, which is going to be going back to the board for a little recommendation on it as well, too.

But I think we're moving forward with this. The terminology was a concern, and that's being worked out with the committee that is going forward on it as well. So thank you.

THE CHAIR: Next speaker, please.

RICHARD CLARK (UTAH): Madam Chair, Richard Clark, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food.

And, for brevity, I will address my comments now to all of the three extracted issues because they're all tied together. And I want to recognize people involved who have done all the work coming together with the criticality recommendations. I know it's a lot of work, and a lot of time has been invested.

But to my fellow delegates from the states, I want to ask you: Is this really needed for you to protect public health? Are you doing a good job
now? If you are, then I will suggest this is not needed. In Utah it took us 15 years just to get the critical and noncritical concepts sold and trained not only to the industry but also to our own enforcement people. And when I think of taking this to them, I have -- you know, my knees shake on this.

Utah Local Health Department, Utah Public Health, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, we're all unanimous this is not needed at this time. And I just want you to think about the bottom line for you as regulators. And, again, I've talked to my industry colleagues in the west, and they like this. And I think they have very good reasons to like it, you know.

But I want to say to them, you know, if this becomes hard for us to do, you're not going to like it in the real application of it in the world because it's going to make things even worse for you than they now are, especially those for you in multiple jurisdictions.

So for you delegates, just think about it. Is this really needed right now for you to do your jobs? When this issue first came up in the year 2000, the charge was to change the word "critical" to something else and, somehow, it got to where it's at.

And I read the reports before this
meeting. I stayed up late last night, you know, suffering over this. I still see differences between the CFP, regulatory people, and the FDA on what's critical. Some things are core for some people but they're priority for other people in that. And that bothers me. That means we're a long away, really, from making this thing work. And I encourage you to oppose the council's recommendation on these three particular items. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Next speaker, please.

PRISCILLA NEVES (MASSACHUSETTS): Good morning. Priscilla Neves, Massachusetts Department of Public Health. I'll try to keep it to two minutes here. First of all, I would like to again thank the committee and FDA that worked on this issue. And also to the council, it was an incredible amount of time and work, and we all recognize that.

I had some serious concerns in terms of when it went through the council for the first time, and my heart could not support it. The process in which it was returned by the council and with the work that was done in recognizing that there was still some issues, I think with the amendments that were made were such that it could salvage this so we would not have to throw out all of the work that was done.
Ninety-nine percent of that work brings us to a new level. The implementation piece, that 1 percent, is so important that I think we do need to continue to work on that because that will make or break how we go forward. And I think it will address maybe some of the issues that our colleague here from Utah has raised. So I ask people to support this because I think that, again, the work that has been done, we don't want to stop the momentum.

THE CHAIR: Is there any other discussion on this Extraction Issue No. 19?

(No response)

Hearing none, we will now vote on the issue. Again, this was an issue that was accepted by council recommendation to accept it as amended. All those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue No. 19, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: I think the motion carries to accept Issue No. 19 as recommended.

Now we are going to debate Issue No. 21.

Okay. I'll entertain a motion to accept Issue No. 21.
Do I have a motion?

CHRIS GORDON (VIRGINIA): So moved.

KAREN REID (CONNECTICUT): Second.

THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion on Issue No. 21?

(No response)

Are you sure? Well, then I will -- okay. I will entertain a vote then of all those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue No. 21, please say so by saying yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, say no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: Motion carries.

And, again, I will now entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. 22.

Do I have a motion please?

COLLEEN PAULUS (MINNESOTA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Second?

JOHN LUKE (MISSISSIPPI): Mississippi.

THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion on Issue No. 22?

(No response)

I'm hearing none, all those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue No. 22,
please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR:  Yes.

THE CHAIR:  Those opposed, please say no.

FROM THE FLOOR:  No.

THE CHAIR:  Motion carries.

Now we will listen to Ms. Cornman's report for Part 2 of Council I.

LEE CORNMAN:  Thank you, Madam Chair.

For Part 2 we had ten issues that were categorized as a no action by the council. Of those ten issues, Issues No. 10 and No. 11 were combined and Issues No. 6 and No. 26 were combined issues.

THE CHAIR:  Okay. Is there any extraction from Part 2 of Council II?

ANGELA KOHLS (KANSAS):  Madam Chair, I'd like to extract the combined issue of 10 and 11.

THE CHAIR:  Are there any other extractions?

TRESSA MADDEN (OKLAHOMA):  Madam Chair, I would like to extract No. 12.

THE CHAIR:  Mr. Julian?

ERNEST JULIAN (RHODE ISLAND):  I'd like to extract No. 16.

THE CHAIR:  Sixteen. Are there any other extractions for Part 2, Council I?
Hearing none, I will now entertain a motion to accept the remaining issues of Part 2, Council I minus the extracted issues. Do I have a motion?

SUSAN PARACHINI (COLORADO): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Second?

COLLEEN PAULUS (MINNESOTA): Second.

THE CHAIR: All those in favor of accepting Part 2 of report Council I minus the extracted issues, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

(No response)

Motion carries.

Okay. I will now entertain a motion to bring forward the extracted issue -- combined issue of 10 and 11. Do I have a motion?

TRESSA MADDEN (OKLAHOMA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Second?


THE CHAIR: Any discussion?

ANGELA KOHLS (KANSAS): Madam Chair, Angela Kohls, Kansas Department of Health Environment.
The issue for the combined issue of 10 and 11 was about the demonstration of knowledge by the person in charge, but it's also -- it mainly relates to responding correctly to the inspector's questions.

The area of knowledge includes a list of 17 items. This approach to determining compliance is very subjective in manner in which the questions may be asked and a determination what constitutes a correct answer. No guidance has been provided regarding partially correct answers or even the number of questions that must be correctly answered to determine that the person in charge has passed this demonstration.

The person in charge, as written, would have to answer all 17 items correctly in order to pass this section. The process of verbally quizzing a person in charge at the time of the inspection is also time consuming for both the inspector and the person in charge. The focus of the discussion during the inspection should be on operational aspects of the food establishment rather than wide-ranging, general-knowledge questioning.

Attempting to determine compliance by verbal testing can detract from the more important aspects of the inspection and hamper in communication by
the person in charge if they become embarrassed by not
knowing the correct answers.

Basic knowledge of food safety
requirements is essential for the person in charge in
order to safely manage a food establishment. While
council failed to endorse this proposed solution, the
stated problem is valid and a detriment to the
establishment and the uniform knowledge for all food
service manager.

THE CHAIR: Thank you. Are there any
other speakers to speak on this item, this issue?

(No response)

Hearing none. Again, this was a
no-action item, so all those in favor of accepting the
council recommendation on issue -- combined Issue 10-11,
please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say
no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: Okay. Let's try to do this
by show of hands, please, so we can expedite the
process. And I do ask that you raise your hand very
high so the parliamentarian can see your votes and keep
them up through the remainder of the tally so we can
accurately capture your vote.

So all those in favor of accepting the council recommendation, please raise your hand.

PARLIAMENTARIAN GELFIUS: Motion carries.

THE CHAIR: Motion carries. On the next extracted issue, I will now entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue 12. Do I have a motion?

CHRIS GORDON (VIRGINIA): So moved.

STEVE MORRIS (KANSAS): Second.

THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion?

TRESSA MADDEN (OKLAHOMA): The issue with the person in charge, it says that it shall ensure. And this goes to a list of various management duties that were listed as was performed by the person in charge. Some of these required duties, as visual observation, periodic evaluation, and routine monitoring.

The code is silent in regarding how the regulatory authority is to determine compliance and what is satisfactory. What we're looking for is a measurable amount. We have inconsistency, and what we'd like to address them in the code in some sort of measurable amount of how you can determine that the person in charge is responsible. So ...
THE CHAIR: Is there any other discussion on Issue No. 12?

(No response)

Hearing none, I'll now entertain a vote, I suppose. All those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue No. 12, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: We will again take a hand-raising vote on this issue. Again, I'll remind you hands high so we can conduct the tally. So all those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue 12, please raise your hand.

PARLIAMENTARIAN GELFIUS: Motion carries.

THE CHAIR: Motion carries. Okay. I will now entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. 16. Do I have a motion?

SCOTT GILLIAM (INDIANA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Second?

DAVID READ (MINNESOTA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussion?

ERNEST JULIAN (RHODE ISLAND): Yes.

Originally the bill was submitted -- or the issue was
submitted to prohibit undercooked animal foods from being served in child's menus. And I received comments back from the FDA and also the industry that they felt that that went too far. So I submitted an amendment to the council. The amendment said, The conference recommends that a letter be sent to FDA requesting that FDA develop and implement a plan to reduce the higher rates of illness in children due to E. coli O157:H7, salmonella and other food-borne illnesses. This plan should include modifications of the food code to prohibit undercooked ground beef from being served on children's menus.

Now, there still seems to be some concern about the second part of that. There seems to be a wide agreement what we hear about developing the plan, though I heard from the industry that they wanted input on developing a plan. The literature and the science is clear. The rate of E. coli O157:H7 for children is three times the national rate for the general population. Their HUS 2.6 times. For salmonella it's four times. That's based on FoodNet data that was just released.

We know thorough cooking kills these organisms. In Rhode Island in 1994, we passed a law that prohibited the sale of undercooked ground beef to
children. Basically, since then, our rate has been the lowest through all of New England. We're at half the national rate at this point in time.

Last year there were 545 cases of E. coli O157:H7. What concerns me is if we do nothing for two years, we're talking about approximately 1100 additional cases. What I'm asking is that the delegates vote no on this issue so that it goes to the executive board and some action can be -- can begin on developing a national plan to reduce food-borne illnesses in kids.

And I'd like to recognize Kevin Smith from FDA.

THE CHAIR: Mr. Smith?

KEVIN SMITH (FDA): Madam Chair, assembly, the FDA remains committed to reducing the risk of food-borne illnesses associated with the consumption of undercooked hamburger products. And we are open to considering how the consumer can best be protected. We're certainly open to how the food code and the state local code modeled after it can best play their part in reducing those risks.

So while we have concerns about the issue as submitted and how the code can best accomplish what we all want to accomplish in reducing the risk, especially to children, we did have some concerns with
the amended original submittal. Should this assembly
vote to reject the no action and this issue be returned
to the board, FDA will continue to be committed to
working to find the best solution for how the food code
can protect children and we'll make ourselves fully
available to consider how that could be done. Thank
you.

THE CHAIR: Any other discussion on Issue
No. 16?

(No response)

Hearing none, we'll now vote on the
issue. All those in favor of accepting the council
recommendation on Issue No. 16, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say
no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: I think the nos have it. So
that motion is defeated and will go back to the
executive board.

Now we will move to Council II's report.

If you could give us the report for Council II.

JOHN GURRISI: Thank you, Madam Chair.

It has certainly been an honor to have served as
Council II Chair during the past two years. I'd like to
extend my sincere thanks to your Council II Vice Chair, Aggie Hale, our parliamentarian, scribes, and runners, and last but certainly not least, our council members. All of them did their part in making the deliberations within Council II a most productive and positive experience.

In total, Council II deliberated 59 issues. Thirty-three were accepted as submitted; 24 were accepted as amended.

THE CHAIR: Okay. As a matter of procedure, we will extract the constitutional bylaw issues. So we will be extracting issues II-001 through II-028. Also Issue No. II-30, issue II-58, and II-59. With that I will now entertain a motion to accept Part 1 of Council II's report minus the extracted issues. Excuse me. I am sorry. Are there any other extractions for Part 1 of Council II?

(No response)

Hearing none. Again, I will entertain a motion now to accept Part 1 of Council II's report.

SUSAN PARACHINI (COLORADO): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Do I have a second?

RONALD KLEIN (ALASKA): Second.

THE CHAIR: All those in favor of accepting the report -- excuse me -- Part 1 of
Council II, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

(No response)

Now we'll vote on the extractions.

Would anybody like to extract an individual constitution bylaws issue?

(No response)

Hearing none, I will now entertain a motion to accept the constitution bylaws issue as one vote for the issues that I mentioned.

RIC MATHIS (FLORIDA): I move that we accept the extracted constitutional bylaws issues as one vote.

THE CHAIR: Thank you. Do I have a second?

PATRICK GUZZLE (IDAHO): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussion on the constitutional bylaws issues?

(No response)

Hearing none. All those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on the constitutional bylaws issues, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.
THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

(No response)

Motion carries.

Now we will entertain Part 2 of Council II.

JOHN GURRISI: Thank you, Madam Chair.

Part 2 of Council II has recommended no action on two issues, Issue No. II-029 and II-031.

THE CHAIR: Are there any extractions the Part 2 issues of Council II?

PARLIAMENTARIAN GELFIUS: I'm sorry. As a point of order, I want to make it clear, the report says that these are no action, but they were actually withdrawn by the submitter. So a no action is not actually required at this point. So all we'd be voting on is the acceptance of the council chair's report.

THE CHAIR: With that, then I will entertain a motion to accept Part 2 of Council II's report.

TRESSA MADDEN (OKLAHOMA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: A second?

AGGIE HALE (FLORIDA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussion?

(No response)
Hearing none, all those in favor of accepting the report Part 2 of Council II, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, no?

(No response)

Very good. Move on to Council III's report.

DAVID LUDWIG: Thank you, Madam Chair. First I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for serving -- the council for allowing me to serve at the Conference for Food Protection as chairperson of Council III. On behalf of Ken Rosenwinkel, the industry, academia, and regulatory members, and consumer advocate, we are pleased to offer our report for Council III.

On Part 1 we have 18 issues that were accepted as submitted or accepted as amended. The report is contained in the yellow issues as recommended.

THE CHAIR: Very good. Does anybody wish to extract an issue from Part 1 of Council III?

DEBORAH MARLOW (TEXAS): I'd like to extract III-27.

there any other extractions?

(No response)

Okay. Hearing none, I will now entertain a motion to accept Part 1 of Council III's report. Do I have a motion?

SANDRA CRAIG (S. CAROLINA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Is there a second?

CHRIS GORDON (VIRGINIA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussion?

(No response)

Hearing none, all those in favor of accepting -- Part 1 of the report for Part 1 of Council III, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

(No response)

I'll move on to the extracted issue. I will now entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. 27 -- III-27. Do I have a motion?

JUDY DAY (N.CAROLINA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Is there a second?

STEVE MORRIS (KANSAS): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussion on Issue
No. III-27?

DEBORAH MARLOW (TEXAS): I did have some concerns with this issue. We have been working now for quite a few years with our operators on becoming accustomed to setting up the hand wash facilities at temporary events, the most places where there aren't readily available water. I feel like this would be a step backwards. I've heard comments that compared -- stating that the issue with the chemical towelettes are still in there, but they should have been taken out.

So I don't think it's pertinent to add another part to that problem just because there's something that's been left in. I still think the issue is that these hand sanitizer -- hand antiseptics do not replace hand washing. We have a lot of science that supports that. They're excellent as to kind of a step in that, but they do not replace that. And I don't want to reverse what we've been working with our operators.

We've got slides, presentations, trainings on what those hand wash facilities should look like when they're set up and they seem to be working fine.

THE CHAIR: Is there any other persons that would like to speak to this issue?

SCOTT GILLIAM (INDIANA): Madam Chair,
Scott Gilliam, Indiana. I'd ask that you recognize Jim Mann.

THE CHAIR: Mr. Mann?

JAMES MANN: Madam Chair, delegates, I would like to point out one key thing that was very much a discussion point and overwhelmingly approved by the council, and that is we were not talking about using hand sanitizer as a replacement for anything. We're talking about adding a protocol that is going to bring a higher level of cleaning to those very things that the previous speaker spoke of at events such as we've all witnessed here at the hotel. It's important to realize what we've done is add --

PARLIAMENTARIAN GELFIUS: Mr. Mann, you're going to have to speak into the microphone for the sake of the stenographer.

JAMES MANN: What we've done is add a cleansing step to what is otherwise the sanitizing step. So what we do is put a charge, and then we actually think hand washing. So we're reducing and eliminating the soil. We're raising and releasing. And then while it's still wet after a hand wash of 20 seconds, we wipe it on a paper towel. This is the cleansing step. Then go back a second time and we use it as directed on the label. This has been proven at
bioscience laboratory to provide long-term reduction. It will bring better hand cleaning and hand cleansing to these very situations that we're talking about if we will approve it.

The other advantage is it brings it so close to the worker that the worker will actually use it. So many of the portable hand sinks bring water, but they bring limited amounts of water nowhere close to what the code says should be a two-gallons-a-minute flow. They can't possibly have that much water. So this is something that will very much help. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Ms. Marlow?

DEBORAH MARLOW (TEXAS): I'd like the chair to recognize Morris Potter, please.

THE CHAIR: Mr. Potter?

MORRIS POTTER: Thank you Madam Chair Morris Potter from the Food and Drug Administration. The Food and Drug Administration remains concerned on a number of levels about this issue.

First, to make -- to make a claim of efficacy for hand washing or effectiveness against pathogens like noroviruses that are commonly transmitted by hands requires an over-the-counter drug approval and we have no such products. So we can't really -- we don't have a product out there to use as a hand
antiseptic under the provisions of the Food and Drug Administration.

Two, we haven't seen data from studies done with pathogens of concern to the food service industry over the range of conditions that these products might be used. And so I don't think that we have the science to make the recommendation to the voting delegates to judge whether that science can be successfully applied in the jurisdictions. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Thank you, Mr. Potter. Is there any other pertinent discussion on Issue No. III-27.

(No response)

Hearing none, I will now entertain a motion -- excuse me -- a vote. All those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue No. 27, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, please say no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: Motion's defeated. Now we will -- we will listen to Part 2 of the report for Council III.

DAVID LUDWIG: Thank you Madam Chair
Part 2 of Council III report, we have ten issues -- excuse me -- nine issues and one withdrawn in this category for no action.

THE CHAIR: Okay. Do I have a motion to accept the -- the report for council -- excuse me. Do I have any extractions for Part 2 of Council III.

DAVID READ (MINNESOTA): Extract III-20.

THE CHAIR: III-20 has been extracted.

Are there any other extractions for Part 2 of Council III's report?

(No response)

Okay. So I'll now entertain a motion to accept Part 2 of the Council III report. Do I have a motion.

RICK AKIN (FLORIDA): So moved.

COLLEEN PAULUS (MINNESOTA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion on Part 2 of Council III's report?

(No response)

Hearing none, all those in favor of accepting -- excuse me -- the report for Part 2 of Council III, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: All those opposed, say no.

(No response)
THE CHAIR: Motion carries.

I will now entertain a motion to accept the council recommendation for Issue No. III-20. Do I have a motion.

ANGELA KOHLS (KANSAS): So moved.


THE CHAIR: Is there any discussion on Issue No. III-20?

DAVID READ (MINNESOTA): Madam Chair, Issue III-20 has to do with temperature requirements for vacuum-packaged fish. That is established in the manufacturing process. It is set at 38 degrees. And the issue here has to do with the food code temperature 41 degrees. Will the chairman recognize Shirley Bohm from FDA?

THE CHAIR: Ms. Bohm?

SHIRLEY BOHM: Madam Chair and state delegates, I'd like to say that FDA is willing to work with the submitters. There is some concern that when the manufacturer of a product recommends that you hold their product at 38 degrees for safety, that that product should be held at 38 degrees for safety and the food code currently does not specifically address a temperature for commercially processed packages to be held at a different temperature other than 41.
So there were some valid questions raised in discussion, and we'd be willing to work with the submitter to see if we could fix the food code so that it would address those issues.

THE CHAIR: Is there any other discussion regarding Issue No. III-20?

(No response)

Hearing none, I'll now entertain a vote on the issue. All those in favor of accepting the council recommendation on Issue III-20, please say yes.

(No response)

Okay. All those opposed, please say no.

FROM THE FLOOR: No.

THE CHAIR: Motion is defeated.

I believe that's all I have on council reports. Y'all did an excellent job. I appreciate all the work that you've done.

Next item on the agenda will be the presentation of the resolutions by our Resolutions Chair, Mr. Ben Gale.

BEN GALE: Good morning members of the assembly and, thank you, Madam Chair, for the introduction. The resolutions committee consists of four individuals. I would like to acknowledge their participation and their professionalism in assisting
me. First is Lisa Whitlock, FDA; David Gifford, Department of Health, State of Washington; and Steven Grover, Burger King Brands. The attempt was to try to balance the committee such that we had some representation at the local, state, industry, and federal.

It was a pleasure working with each of them. A special thanks to David for his keen eye on the resolutions. Where he ever developed that skill to understand where the commas go or what gets capitalized and what doesn't, I have no idea, but it must be lonely up there in Washington. He does have a keen eye, though, for detail. And for that I acknowledge and say thank you, David.

Also as a footnote, he's the incoming chair, I believe, of the conference and a little sucking up on my part probably wouldn't hurt there either.

Thank you, David.

As a result, the committee put together at your request, individually and as a result of the committee's work, eight resolutions. And I need to survey -- I don't see Linda and Trevor, so we'll skip down to the next paragraph. The first one I will give to you is the resolution for the local arrangements committee.
And, you know, for the most part these folks are transparent. They're almost seamless in that the work that they do is only brought to our attention when there's a blip on the radar screen, quite frankly. The rest of it, it just moves. And they certainly were the backbone for the success of this particular conference.

I know, as I take the chair's prerogative, I had one individual that I work with. I'm not going to embarrass her by asking her to stand up, but I do want to acknowledge Amanda Wilson, San Antonio Metro Health District for putting up with my dry humor, my sick sense of humor, and my constant demands to get things done yesterday. So thank you, Amanda. I appreciate that.

The next one is for the sponsors. And, clearly, without the sponsors you would not have incurred the dollar amounts raised and brought to this conference. It wouldn't happen without them. We have the four levels, titanium, gold, silver, and bronze. And because of their contribution, I think it is appropriate that we read and acknowledge each of the individual sponsors.

At the titanium level, we have Ahold USA; Brinker International; ChemStar Corporation; Darden
Restaurants, Incorporated; Ecolab, Inc.; Johnson Diversey; National Registry of Food Safety Professionals; National Restaurant Association; National Restaurant Association Solutions; National Sanitation Foundation International; Sodexho; SuperValu; Wal-Mart; Yum! Brands, Inc.

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Association.

So thank you very much to the sponsors.

The next resolution is for Elizabeth
Nutt, our outgoing chair. For this one I think everyone
really, really appreciates her dry sense of humor, her
wit, and her comedy. And I think everyone of us can
probably take away at least one little thing from this
conference that she raised and brought to our attention.
She gives you the best material, doesn't she?

Fantastic. So, anyway, acknowledging all of the hard
work that Elizabeth put into this conference, and I'm
sure the work that none of us had a chance to see
understood and appreciate.

The next one is -- the next one is for
Larry Kohl, acknowledging his vice chair for the
conference, his energy, and unselfish commitment to the
conference.

The next one is for an individual who has
put in an extraordinary amount of time and energy.
That's Larry Eils. If you've ever had a chance to meet
him, albeit this is your first conference or you've been
attending since he, since 1986, and it's 22 years of
dedicated service. Larry is what I describe as the
consummate gentleman. I've never heard a bad word come
out of that man's mouth. I don't know that I've really
seen him raise his temper.

I've seen him get passionate, and I had
the privilege of working with him on the constitutional
bylaws committee. And I'll tell you, his leadership and
direction was invaluable. To me it was subtle; but yet
at the same time, you know, he moved that committee and
helped us come to conclusions. So we'll be honoring and
acknowledging Larry for all of his service to the
conference.

The next one is one of that was submitted
by one of the members, and it's to acknowledge and honor
Dr. Cynthia Woodley, John Marcello, and Dr. David
McSwane. The contribution that they have made is
towards the adult education obviously, the psychometric
evaluation, and the governmental requirements that
develop the standards for training to promote,
basically, the food service industry and protect the
American food supply.

The last item before we go back to a
couple of more first of all is a resolution that was
brought to us recognizing the training -- excuse me --
the minimum education standards for the food safety
inspection officer. So that's what will be presented to
the delegates for approval. Now, the note that I
received was that I would like to ask the local
arrangements committee members that are in the audience
to please stand and I ask the conference, the assembly,
and the members to give a round of applause.

  (Applause)

BEN GALE: Very well done. And what you
saw standing, I can give you some assurance, that was a
small representation, having printed cranked out, with
Amanda's help, I think it was about 40 copies of the
resolution. And I think that's even understating the
resources behind this conference. It was far in excess
of 40 individuals. So, again, thank you all for an
excellent job. You contributed, obviously, to the
success of the conference.

  I see that Linda and Trevor have brought
forward some individuals in the Omni. And let me get
back my piece of paper and the notes that I have. We
have a resolution to say thanks and appreciation for
Mr. Cesar Cantor, who is the general manager. Would you
raise your hand and let me know that you're there,

  Also for Mr. Bob Guerra, convention
service manager.

  (Applause)

Chef Javier Soto, Executive chef.

And next is Alberto Vasquez, director of
presentation services. And the remainder of the support
staff that have also made contributions. So now I would
ask the conference and delegates to please stand and
give a round of applause to them.

(Applause)

BEN GALE: I think one of the highest
compliments is what -- my wife flew in last night, and I
will say to the staff of Omni, one, we've been looking
forward to coming back to here since we were here last
year. And part of that reason was because of the staff
that was here. The names that stick out for my wife and
I are C.J. in the restaurant and the concierge.

There's others, too, but my wife --
again, I just want to underscore the impression that you
made on people who attended here or stayed at your
facility. She came back and she had names fingertip
handy and ready because she wanted to see those people
again because of the excellent service that they
provided a year ago to us. So, again, a personal thanks
to you. Excellent, excellent job. Thank you.

(Applause)

THE CHAIR: Now I will now entertain a
motion to accept the resolutions as presented by
Mr. Ben Gale. Can I have a motion?

RIC MATHIS (FLORIDA): I move that we
accept the resolutions presented.

THE CHAIR: Second?

SCOTT GILLIAM (INDIANA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Any discussions on the resolutions?

(No response)

Hearing none, all those in favor of accepting the resolutions, please say yes.

FROM THE FLOOR: Yes.

THE CHAIR: Those opposed say no.

(No response)

Motion carries. I'll now turn the microphone to our executive director, Mr. Jeff Lineberry, who has some announcements.

JEFF LINEBERRY: Madam Chair, it's my honor and privilege to add to the resolution just endorsed by the delegates expressing appreciation to you for your leadership for the past two years. Under your leadership, membership in the organization grew to more than 700 people, the highest we've ever had. Your spirit of inclusion and promoting food safety through collaboration embodies the spirit of the conference. We have energetic participation in people who serve and promote food safety, and I think in large part because of your great leadership.
It is my personal privilege to present on behalf of the conference a clock inscribed to Elizabeth Nutt. It could say Elizabeth, "A Nut;" however, it does not. Ben Sowards asked me to say hi, by the way.

Presented to Elizabeth Nutt, conference Food Protection Chair, 2006 to 2008, for her skillful and balanced leadership, diligent investment of time and dedication to the promotion of food safety through collaboration.

(Applause)

THE CHAIR: I will not bore you with another joke. I'm done with that part. I do want to say it has been an absolute honor to serve in this position. To be a part of this organization, it's just hard to explain. I did have the privilege to bring a lot of my staff and, again, bring in some new membership to this organization and keep it going. And they've just been in awe at the cooperation, the smoothness of the conference, the behind-the-scenes things that go on that make this conference so wonderful.

It's just been such a rewarding part of my career, and I do want to think Mr. Jeff Lineberry for supporting me. He's been wonderful to work with, and he has done an excellent job in assuming the role of
executive director. I would like to thank Trevor and Linda for their continued support and guidance and the members of the board; the LAC, who has been outstanding; the hotel, wonderful. It's just been a wonderful experience for me, and I thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to serve you and put up with my corny jokes.

At this time I would like to announce the new chair formally and thank again the nominating committee and tremendous amount of work that they've put in nominating these people and researching this. They did an excellent job. I was happy to serve on that committee. And for the 2010 Conference for Food Protection, which will be in Providence, Rhode Island, the new conference chair is Mr. David Gifford, State of Washington.

(Applause)

Our new conference vice chair is Mr. John Gurrisi.

(Applause)

Just one more reminder that there are the committee books that I would encourage those to sign up on the committees because, as you've seen in the councils, a tremendous amount of effort and progress towards food safety is done in these invaluable
committees. I encourage you to sign up on those committees. And with that, I would make a motion to adjourn -- entertain a motion to adjourn.

RONALD KLEIN (ALASKA): So moved.

THE CHAIR: Second?

TRESSA MADDE N (OKLAHOMA): Second.

THE CHAIR: Does anybody want to talk about it?

(No response)

Thank you all very much. Meeting adjourned.

(Proceedings concluded at 9:49 a.m.)
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