

I am honored to be
the first Nebraska Senator
in more than sixty years to
be selected to carry on the
century-old Senate tradition
of reading our first President's
farewell speech, an address that
conveys timely wisdom. I am
inspired by his call to always
rise above differences of opinion
to defend & protect our Union
because, as he wrote, it is
essential to our strength &
happiness.

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