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to their names– Mr Epler offered the following Resolution– Resolved that the Clerk of the House inform the Senate that the House of Representatives is now ready to receive them in joint Session for the purpose of voting for a United States Senator

Mr Caspar Butz member elect from Cook County then came forward presented his credentials and was sworn as a member of this House

Mr Epler’s Resolution was then taken up considered and adopted

The Seargent at arms of the Senate announced the Senate and proceeded by their Speaker, the Senate entered the Hall of the House of Representatives and took the Representatives Seats assigned them

On motion of Senator Kuykendall a call of the joint Session was ordered and all of the members thereof answered to their names

Mr Speaker then announced that nominations for the Office of Senator of the United States for the term of Six years from and after the 4th day of March one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine would be in order

Whereupon Mr Barrett nominated Stephen A Douglas

Mr Judd nominated Abraham Lincoln

On motion of Mr Peck the door keeper was ordered to clear the Galleries of all persons except ladies.

Mr Speaker then ordered the roll to be called and the members of the Joint Session to vote for their respective Candidates for the Office of Senator of the United States for the term of Six years from and after the 4th day of March next 1859.

The roll of the two Houses being called it appeared that Stephen A Douglas received 54 votes

Abraham Lincoln received 46 votes

Those voting for Mr Douglas are Messrs Brooks

Bryan Buckmaster Coffey Fuller Goudy Higbee Knapp Kuykendall Martin O’Kean Post Richmond Underwood of the Senate and

Messrs Anderson Bane Barrett Berry Brewer Campbell of Logan Cummings Davis of Montgomery Detrich Engle Epler Erwin Forth Graham Green Hacker

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Hampton Hardin Hick of Gallitin Hitt Hoiles Job, Kerley King M^cCleave M^cElvin Metcalf Powell Pulley Roosevelt Rush Shaw Sherley Short Sloss Stephenson Updegraph Wilson Wood Mr Speaker

Of the House of Representatives

Those voting for Mr Lincoln are Messrs Adams of Lee Adams of Stephenson Applington Bestor Blodgett Cook Henderson Judd Marshall Parks Vanderen

Of the Senate and

Messrs Baker Blaisdell Brace Bryant Butz Campbell of La Salle Church Cradock Davis of Stephenson Dewolf Gilmore Haines Harmon Hick of Livings-ton Higgins Hood Hurlburt Jarrot Mack M^cCall Miles Moore Mosely Norton Patton Peck Plato Prothow Rice Scheel Stickle Swett Townsend Verlnilyea White

Of the House of Representatives whereupon Mr Speaker announced

That Stephen A Douglas was duly elected Senator of the United States for the term of Six years from and after the 4th day of March one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine

The President of the Senate then announced that the object of the joint Session having been accomplished the Senate would withdraw to their Chamber

Whereupon the Senate withdrew

On motion of Mr Hitt the House adjourned until to-morrow morning 9. O’Clock

D. E Head, Clerk House of Representatives