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- 2 8 salutes Charlie Wittmack, the grandson of former
- 2 9 Governor Norman Erbe, as a truly great Iowan, and
- 2 10 congratulates him on his successful climb of Mount
- 2 11 Everest and thanks him for the excitement he brought
- 2 12 to the State of Iowa.
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