

downtown area because there is no way they can afford to buy ten acres of land, you are going to force the low income person to live close to work in the apartment houses and so forth. Now that may not be all bad, I don't know, but I want to point out that what you are doing here is exactly the reverse of what you think you are doing. I am going to vote against the bill. I think it is wrong but you probably have the votes to pass it, but when the time comes a year from now or two years or ten years from now and you wonder how you got yourself into this mess, then I want you to go back to February 4, 1980 and read the record because the record is going to be clear and you are going to wonder how in the devil somebody was able to pedal ten acres of land off to you when you can't even afford a donkey to ride back to work. I know the cities are interested in this. It is a part of the whole land use structure picture which was started several years ago by a colleague of ours which is going to bring some more repercussions as time goes by but I hope you understand the cost to the city is going to increase, the cost to the homeowner is going to increase, the cost to businesses is going to increase, the costs to schools are going to increase. These people are going to have children out in those suburbs just like everyone else and the schools are going to have to provide the services to get them back and forth and all of the other things. The cost of the paving districts are going to be astronomical but they will have to bear those costs eventually. Ladies and gentlemen, I think you are making a mistake, but as I have cautioned you for a number of years about it and as those words have fallen upon unhearing ears, and maybe you have information that is different than mine and you probably are more informed upon it, but I think you are making a mistake. I would hope that the time will come when someone will stand up and say, how did we do this. I have one more argument in closing. The Metropolitan Utilities District in Omaha have already come across the Platte River into Saunders County and have purchased land for a well field. They intend to pump fifty million gallons of water per day from that aquifer to supply the urban sprawl that is moving towards Saunders County.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

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SENATOR SCHMIT: Ladies and gentlemen, that urban sprawl is going to come to a screeching halt one of these days when those gas guzzlers have to burn that \$2 gas. Apartment houses are going to sell high in cities like Lincoln and Omaha