

resolution urges the Committee for the International Special Olympics to select Lincoln as the site for the Special Olympics competition in 1991. At this time, Lincoln is one of five cities in final contention for the competition. When Lincoln is selected as the host city, that will send a signal to the listening world that we in Nebraska are not only interested, but that we really care.

PRESIDENT: Excuse me, Senator Dierks. (Gavel.) Let's hold it down so that we can hear the speaker, please. Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President. I feel that when Lincoln is selected as the host city for this Special Olympics, it will send a signal that we're not only interested, but that we really care. We really care for these special handicapped citizens in our midst who give so freely of their love and for whom we now have another opportunity to return that love. Lincoln is well-equipped with athletic facilities and the necessary lodging facilities to accommodate these Special Olympics and as I understand it, Lincoln will be the first city that is visited for this site selection. I urge your support of this resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schellpeper, please.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members, I also rise to support this amendment. I think that it is a real good thing for the State of Nebraska to have something like this. They contacted the State Fair Board about using the State Fair Grounds and we're very happy to let them use those grounds out there. So I support this wholeheartedly. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rogers, please.

SENATOR ROGERS: Mr. President and members, I would encourage you also to support this amendment. We've had a son that has been involved in Special Olympics for years and if you could see the glow on these children's faces after they compete in Special Olympics, bring home their gold medals and their silver medals and their bronze medals you would know exactly what I am talking about. I urge your support.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely, then Senator Lynch.