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unique foibles, idiosyncracies, and perversities which should (perhaps) be passed on to me and other members of my generation; and WHEREAS, if this Legislature has the constitutional and statutory authority to confer honorary degrees, it most certainly has the power to suspend statutes from time to time to suit its convenience; BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that while you Senators are enjoying your cigars and candy, you will duly consider how you can pass on to members of my generation your unique insights on the following subjects: Ernie Chambers on the evils of the wicked drink and the purpose of the speed limits on the state's highways; Vard Johnson on the use of polysyllabic constructions of vowels and consonants purporting to be words of the English language; Patrick Venditte on maintaining calm in a crisis; Don Wagner on birth control; Dave Landis on neck wear; John DeCamp on lechery; Howard Lamb and Elroy Hefner on flexibility and willingness to compromise; Richard Marvel on tolerating frivolous resolutions; Loran Schmit on never twisting an arm; Bernice Labedz and Steve Fowler on abortion; Howard Peterson on the Establishment of Religion Clause of the Bill of Rights; Jerry Warner on explaining appropriations bills with clarity, precision, and a desire that everyone know each detail; Dave Newell on how to win friends and influence people; Shirley Marsh the honorary grandmother on buckling up for safety; Frank Lewis on persuading with kindness; Don Wesely on how to laugh quietly; Jerry Koch on tactfully questioning witnesses during public hearings on live TV; Tom (the Rock) Vickers on being urbane, witty and metropolitan; Neil Simon on behaving like an adult; Tom Fitzgerald on the ability to lay on the blarney; Chris Beutler on the love of rules; Steve Wiitala on never sticking up for a teacher; Harry Chronister, Myron Rumery, Richard Maresh, Cal Carsten, Martin Kahle and Carol Pirsch on flamboyancy; Robert Clark on his interest in essential subjects such as optometrists and license plates; Maurice Kremer on being able to pass water (but not water bills); Dave Newell and Glenn Goodrich on comradery; Don Dworak and Bill Barrett on dapperness; George Burrows on being unique; Ron Cope on being able to imitate Jim Crouse; Marge Higgins on shyness; Sam Cullan on coyness; Rex Haberman on thriftiness; and Bill Nichol on being lawyerlike; The freshman class on being able to scare everyone by just holding a meeting; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rest of you are off the hook, but only for now.