

going to vote for this resolution but it has nothing to do with my feeling that less money ought to be appropriated by the Legislature or spent by the Legislature. My intent is to ensure that that \$10 million reduction that you just voted for and morally committed yourself to may be available if I can persuade enough of you to appropriate it for the North Freeway, even though I am totally against it. I want to see if the Legislature does believe in morality. If it does stand by its commitments when those commitments would involve a black community. You have given the signal that the Department of Roads to continue cutting down trees, acquiring property, tearing down houses and haven't built a single private residence to replace any of the hundreds of houses they have destroyed that belonged to my people. So since we are talking about morality in the context of white people's concerns this morning, I want to tailgate a few of mine and I am going to vote for this resolution. But, remember, you are going to hear from me again talking about the morality that was discussed this morning and I will get a transcript of the debate so I won't misquote anybody and I will bring that issue up again but I alert you as to why I am voting for this resolution and why I voted for the amendment just adopted to reduce that original figure by about \$10 million. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, I don't rise to speak about the North Freeway, I rise to speak about this budget resolution and I would just like to get some clarification. Senator DeCamp offered some things and Senator Warner kind of clarified the issue and I don't want to take exception to Senator Warner's arguments but I think what we ought to talk about just exactly what this resolution is. It is a guideline for the Appropriations Committee to set the budget based on the dollar amounts that we are suggesting that they approve. Senator DeCamp says, yes, this Legislature can change those, amend those, modify the budget resolution at the time, either reducing or increasing. That is part of the process that this floor and this body goes through. This is only a guideline and instructions to the committee. Senator Warner, I am not sure that a no vote automatically means...automatically means that you want to raise taxes and that you are going to push for increases in spending and so forth once this is passed. But I do agree with you, Senator Warner, that this is instructions to the committee on how much, what target levels the committee ought to be preparing. And if I am incorrect and if for some reason we can read in this rule or in any other