

medical education I should say, is towards more outpatient training, more training in a clinical setting as opposed to the...some of the inpatient care training. Those facilities have to be available for the Med Center. Improving those facilities I think is good not only for the Med Center, but for the State of Nebraska to keep the quality of the medical profession in Nebraska. As everybody here I think is aware, Nebraska has a very good group of doctors in Nebraska. We produce...our school produces good people. I don't think that we should be cutting down on that quality by not allowing the facilities that are necessary to educate those people. I would urge the adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett, please, followed by Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President and members of the body, I supported the resolution last year and I plan to support it again this year. I guess one of the things that, as I see that the costs last year was around \$20 million and it's, you know, or \$27 million and it's, you know, accelerated quite a bit, another \$20 million and maybe Senator Hannibal asked this because I visited informally on the floor with some of the members of the Appropriations Committee, that there is other projects in the proposal. Did you talk about that already, Senator Hannibal? Do you want to...what is in the new project and why was there a change, you know, from one year...from last year to this year, because you're kind of the head person on this?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, Senator Hartnett, I appreciate your comments. I don't believe I'm really the head person. I did mention that the cost has gone up from 27 in the original proposal up to about 47.8. Yes, you are correct. There is some changes in the scope of the project as well as the size and some updating of cost. Probably one of the major changes was the parking facility, that they had planned last time to just add a little surface lot alongside, try to make a surface lot to increase some parking. Now we're talking...excuse me, not surface lot, but one story over existing surface lot. Now we're talking about a three-story lot to go to 750 stalls total, an increase of 500, plus they are building a facility so that it could hold future expansion of floors above it. It is a relatively cheap thing to put the foundation, if you will, in and the footings in to make a structure that will house future