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times, on all the hundreds and thousands of issues that we all vote on over the years that we are in this body. If I weren't, I wouldn't be standing up proposing this resolution. Senator Schmit has pointed out some very good points. I listen to Senator Schmit, he is a senior here. He has knowledge of hospital facilities. He has knowledge of the way the process works. I do disagree with him on this situation. I don't believe, I don't believe that the passage of this resolution will in any way hinder the continued and intensifying negotiations and discussions between Clarkson Hospital and the University Med Center. If I thought that it would, I would not I don't believe that. The chancellor and his approve this. staff at the university have brought this proposal to you probably without need. Probably they could go ahead and do this because it is not necessary in law to do this, but they have asked for us to tell them, this is the direction that they are going to go, this is the direction they see the future of this University Med Center going ...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: ...towards ambulatory care, towards better equipped, more technologically suited operations rooms, and we also need the ancillary areas of parking, very mundane but a very real problem up there. This is the direction that they want to go. They are asking the Legislature to say, yes, we approve of that direction. I am convinced it is the proper direction. I have every faith in the University Med Center that they are moving along the right track. I hope that you do as well. I realize we can't be experts in this field. We have a certificate of need process for that. I have no feeling that our approval of this project, our blessing of this project, will in any way take away the ability of the certificate of need to look at this on a technical basis and say, no, it is not necessary; yes, it is necessary. What we are asking today is that you approve the resolution to move the university forward in the next 10 to 20 years. I urge your adoption of the resolution.

FRESIDENT: The question is the adoption o. LR 25. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 25.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. Do you have anything