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mistake that they made, if it was a mistake; they can take credit for having sent wise people down, if that's what they feel they sent. But the fact is we should not always be bending the knee to every other branch of government. We should not, as a body, be so quick to hitch ourselves to the Governor's wagon and do his or her bidding. The Governor is allowed to come into this Chamber and have a captive audience and speak. There is no time when the Legislature or any legislator has the right to go into the Governor's office and address the Governor and the Governor's staff. The judge can come here and give a State of the Judiciary speech, and the Legislature has no access to the courtroom when the court is in session...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to do the same thing. The Legislature must begin to assert itself. The Legislature must develop a collective ego, a sense of self-worth, self-belief and self-respect. If you have not heard of a lady named Whitney Houston, you should acquaint yourself with her and a song she sang, called the "Greatest Love of All". The conclusion of that song is learning to love yourself is the greatest love of all. If you have no self-respect, if you have no self-love, why should you expect anybody else to accord it? This is why the Legislature is the butt of every joke. Whenever an editorial cartoonist or an editorialist runs out of other things to deal with, and decides to take potshots and picks at some institution, the Legislature is that institution because the members who make it up generally are supine and willing to roll...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...over and be walked on like a carpet. I hope you'll vote for this reconsideration motion. And, Mr. Chairman, to save time, I'd like to ask for a call of the house at this point.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Call of the house has been requested. Members, please vote on placing yourselves under call. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please