

where that is not an unusual practice. And I will not turn my back on that community or on the people who live there, nor will I allow everybody in that community to be painted by a brush that would indicate everybody there is a criminal. Some of you may have heard of Bob Armstrong, and some of you may not have, but he is the Director of the Omaha Housing Authority. When he was imposing punitive, harsh measures on the tenants, he was the greatest person in the world. People came from all over the country, including William Bennett, to look at this housing authority. The Governor went there, surrounded by her armed guards to protect her, and have her picture taken. Bennett came, with this armed guards, into that community to have his picture taken. Here came Ron Staskiewicz, the county attorney, with his black people that he has hired to serve as his guards, to have his picture taken, humiliating the people who live there. They are objects on display for these politicians and white people to make political hay from. They can say, yeah, I was there, I saw it. Things happen in that community at the hands of police and other officials that won't happen to you and your kind. But you don't care, and I do. And there is only so far a community can be pushed into a corner. When I'm here trying to work through the system, trying to build into the system a chance for some fairness, even if those administering it are not fair at the time, but the chance and the opportunity, then I'm not going to succeed. But I have to put forth every effort that I can. Years ago when I was trying to show the problems that would happen in my community and in the city at large, because of drugs, and I have articles over 15 years old, nobody paid attention. Now that politics can be played, everybody is suddenly concerned about drugs, even the Governor, the "Just Say No" Governor who could not just say no when they wanted to serve liquor on state property. Why didn't she just say no to the liquor? Because she couldn't. Her kind uses other kind of drugs, but drugs they are nevertheless. The worst drug, the most abused drug, and this just say no Governor insisted that that drug be there where the children were present. And I have to look at all these things and some of you may say, what does that have to do with this? It has to do with all of it, because what happens in the world and the life of people is like what some people describe as a seamless web. What impacts on the web, down there, will send reverberations throughout the web, and it's felt over here. That's how a spider, at the top of his or her web, knows what happens down in the lower end. And there are things that this Legislature does that constantly impact on the people that I care about, and they