

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President, and members, I also would like to ask that my name be added to the resolution honoring Senator Kremer, and express my condolences to his family. As Senator Warner has indicated, Senator Kremer was one of those rare individuals who had enough self-confidence in himself that he could serve in any position on this floor and do it well. And I well recall that after I had been here only two years, Senator Kremer came to me, and he was Chairman of the Agriculture Committee at that time, and stated that he would like to see me serve as chairman of the committee. In those days, it was done differently, you weren't elected from the floor, that he would support me along with Senator Kokes, and Senator Burbach, and others, and Senator Waldo, and that he would continue to serve on the committee with me and assist me, and he did so. And we served together for many years on a number of committees, served together on the floor, and no matter how much time you needed with him, he was always very generous with his time, and on those rare occasions when I disagreed with him, he never allowed that disagreement to influence his personal respect and friendship for his fellow legislators. And, very frankly, I am sure that he will go down in history as one of the really fine senators who have served in this body and Nebraska is much better for his having served, and I do think that we owe him and his family a substantial debt of gratitude.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President, and members, I am pleased also to rise in support of this resolution and recognize a great man. Now Senator Maurice Kremer and I had a chance to sit next to each other, in fact, I sit in his seat. When I first came, I had a chance to get to know him in the Public Works Committee and we became good friends, and he moved back to sit by me on the floor of the Legislature his last two years in the Legislature. We were very different people, obviously. I was a young 24-year old when I started and Senator Kremer was quite a bit older than that, but we found immediately a like for each other and we worked very closely together and it was a sad day when he left the Legislature, and even sadder when he has left this world. He was a man who brought grace and charm and dignity to every job he had, to every person he met. He was one