

with the very most kindness, as if I were really someone important to visit with just because I happened to stop by, and I think it would be remiss, although I didn't have the honor and pleasure of knowing him and working with him, just as a citizen I might say that he did embody the qualities that all senators should strive for, I believe, kindness and courtesy to those who were from another district and who had a concern that perhaps they just wanted to visit with him about, and so I just wanted to add my thanks to Senator Johnson for having brought this resolution. I think it is very important.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, please.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. President, and members of the body. There isn't much to add because it has all been said about what kind of a man Senator Kremer was. Because he has touched so many of us here in so many personal ways as well as ways in which he served Nebraska, I wonder if Senator Johnson would allow us all to sign the resolution. I would like that, and I know there are many of you that would, too. Again, our condolences to the family, he will be missed.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President, and members, I hadn't intended to speak twice, but after visiting with Senator Lowell Johnson and Hefner and Lamb, knowing the fine sense of humor that Senator Kremer had, I would like to offer a little amendment to that resolution and suggest that the Appropriations Committee throw an extra \$5 million into the Water Development Fund this year on behalf of Senator Kremer. I am sure that that would be the best way to honor him.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rod Johnson, would you like to close, please?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I believe on behalf of the Kremer family, I am sure I speak for them in saying thank you to all of the senators who made such kind and fine remarks about Maurice. For those of you who did not have an opportunity to serve with Maurice, I think you missed an outstanding opportunity. I was asked by a reporter the other day when the notification came of his passing what it was like to fill his shoes, and I said I have never quite filled them yet. I am still trying my best to emulate the things that he