

the corner, selling death, no conscience has he. In the name of God won't somebody stop him; it's a matter of life and death you see. But cigarettes, cigarettes kill more people than the combined effects of heroine, crack, speed, marijuana, all the street drugs. With that being the case, the least the Legislature can do, and I'm sure will do, is go on record in support of those efforts by the national administration and others to do what they can to, first of all, end the market targeting and, secondly, to support the administration in its efforts to put a dent in the sale and consumption of cigarettes. I think what had been said is that more people are killed a year by cigarettes than were killed during World War II. Those statistics might just sound like numbers, but I have known several individuals who died from cancer that was smoking related. And, as in most instances, people will say that they have to die of something, but when the disease strikes, there is a different attitude that they adopt. Usually, and they say it's like this with any fatal illness when somebody realizes that they have it, there is a great amount of anger and a denial. Then pretty soon they go into a type of depression, ultimately there is an acceptance of this as being one of those things that cannot be avoided. If young people continue to see cigarettes associated with the people who are attractive physically, successful athletically and in affairs of the heart, it is not strange that they will be lured into trying this product which will addict them and ultimately can lead to their death. So I'm hoping that this resolution will be adopted and it may help send a message to the tobacco industry.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion of the resolution offered by Senator Chambers? Senator Crosby, Senator Nelson to follow.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I'll have to admit yesterday when I read the George Will column I thought that we had come to a full turn when he and I and Senator Chambers all agree about something. Right, Senator Chambers? I was pleased when I read this resolution, because when this story came out about this marketing idea, I could not believe that any kind of responsible business would put out a marketing plan so completely demeaning to women. Here they are targeting young women who are 18 or so, with this brand named Dakota. It could just as well be named Nebraska. I guess Nebraska doesn't sound as cool as Dakota. I haven't decided. But I've never smoked. I should come in that just a little, I'll be like Senator