

research. I'm not talking about classes. And I do firmly believe that the University of Nebraska and the University of Nebraska Medical College are a pair as far as research is concerned and that is a tradition and I think that tradition should continue. We simply cannot proliferate in different parts of the state the elements of research that are so important to economic development and to the health needs of the state. So I will just say once more what I'm talking about is research. I simply don't like the idea of seven institutional boards along with the regents, whose numbers will grown now to 11, and the superboard. They're going to have so many people deciding so many things and I have great respect for the people that were on the commission. I was very disappointed that no Nebras...no Lincoln senator was on that commission. I don't consider my beloved Jerome Warner as a Lincoln senator. He comes from Waverly, he's a farmer, that's a difference. And so not one Lincoln senator was on that commission. There were some very fine people from Lincoln on it, two people in particular from my district that were very conscientious and I know how they feel about what the consultants brought in to them. There seemed to be a spontaneity of agreement there, but sometimes when you work so long and hard on something like that, there is a feeling of standing together and not dissenting in public. And so if there was any dissent, we will never know that. So I just firmly go back to my original premise that Medical College in Omaha and University of Nebraska in Lincoln are a pair when it comes to research. I think we can't chip away at that. We must keep it from the point of view of getting grants and all kinds of money. We've got to have that as a unit. So I continue to support this amendment. I hope you will all support this amendment because I think it's just very important right now, again, as I said before, for the voters to know what they are voting for if and when 239CA goes on the ballot. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President and members, I want to indicate that despite disagreement with Senator Warner perhaps on some issues he definitely is part of the Lancaster County delegation. We love and enjoy him greatly and don't want him to look for another home. We want him to be part and parcel of our interests and we understand that sometimes there is a difference of opinion. But, nevertheless, I would like to rise in support of this amendment as well, mostly to make a point. It seems to me, as we get into the discussion on this issue,