McFarland for bringing this amendment. Through personal experiences when we had visitors from a Spanish country here, Ernie really did go all out to show the hospitality of Nebraska to our foreign visitors. And he has been a personal friend ever since I have been elected. And I hope that all of you feel the same way I did about him, that he is an excellent person. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator McFarland, would you like to close on your resolution? Senator Smith's light came on. Would you like to speak on the resolution before he closes?

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I will just take a moment but I can't pass the opportunity, and I just did get on the floor, to speak on this resolution and I thank Senator McFarland for bringing it to us. I know that myself, personally, Ernie was a great friend to me. Every morning that I came in Ernie was there always with a smile on his face, lots of conversation and a way to start the day and it was always with a very pleasant, very pleasant beginning, and I have to add my support for this resolution and in memory of Ernie I think we all feel that way and I just want to express that too. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Now Senator McFarland, and thank you for allowing Senator Smith to speak.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Thank you. Well, thanks to all my colleagues for their expressions of sincerity and goodness toward Ernie. I'm sure that if we had a chance to have the public, who have visited this Legislature, speak that we would get a likewise response of many favorable comments for Ernie's service to our state. He was a wonderful person. He always made the Capitol a joyous place to visit. So I would ask you respectfully to approve the resolution. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator McFarland. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution as offered by Senator McFarland.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 5, please.