

fact most of those who vote...who are not of color are obviously bigots. And I don't think we should leave that impression. Sometimes people vote against you regardless of your race, or your religion, or your politics, because they don't like your style. There's nothing wrong with that. You know if you develop a style that guarantees you can get elected in your district, but it offends everybody else, you know, that's the price you pay sometimes. I'd like to quickly point out that a county board is a creature of the Legislature, can do no more, no less than what the law allows you to do, as I've told you in the past. They are not legislative. They can't even create policy, unless we tell them how that policy should be created. All they do is carry out those federal, state, and local services that are necessary. As I told you before, if they didn't exist, you would have to invent them, because somebody would have to collect the taxes, assess the property, and run the elections. And none of those county wide responsibilities have absolutely anything to do with race, creed, color, or politics. How do you collect your taxes or assess your property based on Republican or Democratic principles? Tell me, anybody. You don't. That has nothing to do with it at all, not at all. Some of us might have a name that might be more familiar than others. But my father was Philly Lynch the plumber. I think it helped me, when I first got elected, because he's a pretty well respected man. He was dirt poor, didn't have curtains on the windows or carpets on the floor, but it never bothered us and I still got elected. So if we leave the impression that some others might get elected because they have rich fathers, the only reason that happens is because we sit here in the Legislature and let people spend a half a million dollars to get elected mayor, or \$200,000 to get elected county board, and millions to be elected to the Senate. That hasn't got anything to do with race either, that only has to do with money. I hope we support some kind of...We offered a simple little amendment that said you can't spend more than...a bill that you can't spend more than four times your annual salary to get elected, and it wasn't even considered seriously in the committee. So I put, as far as I'm concerned, my principles where my mouth is, and hopefully we can do something about that spending some day.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR LYNCH: Is my time up? That's the second time in six years I've used up all my time. I feel kind of bad that I didn't have more. I would respectfully suggest that this system