

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 5, offered by Senators Hartnett and Schmit. (Read brief summary of resolution.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, simply recognize, I think, the United States and people have been competing in international competition. This is the first one with the end of the Olympics this week. But this was the first one of an international race around the world. And two gentlemen from the State of Nebraska finished third, only eleven minutes behind the finisher. And I think they should be recognized. And they raised most of the money themselves, they raised about \$115,000, themselves, through fund raisers and simply out of their own pocket. So, I think the...I'm not a flyer. We have two pilots, I think, in the body, Senator Bernard-Stevens and Senator Schmit, and I think that doing this around the world is kind of a major accomplishment. I'm not a flyer, I simply ride in the planes, but I think we need to recognize these two gentlemen for their contribution. And the name of their plane is the "Big-O". So, with that, I would ask the body to adopt this resolution.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Discussion of the resolution? Senator Beyer.

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, Harlon Hain is a personal friend of mine, he's been very active in the Optimist organization, in fact, he was the state president a year ago in the Optimist organization. He is retired Air Force. And I think it was quite a feat for them to build and design this plane and take the time to fly around the world. So, I wholeheartedly support the resolution.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Beyer. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senator Hartnett, also being an instrument rated pilot and I understand the challenges there are, and I think the "Big-O", for the name of the plane, is very appropriate. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Elmer. Any other discussion on the resolution? Seeing none, do you wish to close, Senator Hartnett?