

domain" out of this proposal I think would be a mistake. As you know, I am a developer, I acquired a 200 acre piece of property, there were 11 different owners. There were two houses that were located near the property, we offered them twice, three, four times the appraised price, they didn't sell. Today those two houses are still there. There are some people that just don't want to sell at any price. Drive into Omaha sometime and go to the St. Joe Hospital, a multimillion dollar facility, does a lot of good in this city, and in the middle of their parking lot there sits a house that is with a parking lot all the way around it. Again, some people just do not want to sell at any price. I also served on the Papio Natural Resources District Board for a number of years and through that we had to acquire property and we used eminent domain. And right now they are in the process of gathering property along the Missouri River that has been flooded many, many times, through the federal government they are acquiring that property. But about half of those properties do not want to sell and so they're in the process of starting eminent domain. Again, they flooded many times. They really...it would be better for their good, the general public if those properties were not there because we've paid flood insurance to these same pieces of property several times over, but again they just do not want to sell, some people don't. I don't understand that. Being in real estate I'd sell anything, I guess, except my wife and my children. But still there are some people that just don't want to sell. And so in a project of this size of this magnitude, the eminent domain feature is a must, it must remain, therefore I would encourage the rest of the body to vote no on the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Question.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I see five hands. The question before you is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Thank you, Senator. Please record.

CLERK: 15 ayes,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I think I'd ask...well, let it go.