

if the person...either that the person is dead or that if he's here that the things that he used to have he no longer has. But having been assured by you that he still has passion, still has wit, still has brains and, most importantly, still is with us, I'll support this resolution.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you. I think that...that the reason I addressed him in the past tense is because that is how I remember my association with him.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: One final comment, and Madam President, I don't often get a chance to say things like this. But when I look at the age of those who spoke of having been his contemporary, it was easy for me to wonder whether or not he'd still be with us. (Laughter.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Any further discussion on either one of the resolutions? Seeing none, Senator Dierks or Senator Wesely, do you want to close? Senator Wesely. Thank you. The question is the adoption of LR 68 and LR 75. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of LRs 68 and 75.

SENATOR CROSBY: The resolutions are adopted. We will proceed to the confirmation reports. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, the first one this morning is by General Affairs Committee, signed by Senator Schellpeper, involving appointments to the Nebraska Arts Council.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam President and members. We held a hearing on two appointments to the Nebraska Arts Council. We had Gretchen Peters, from Gering, Nebraska, and her term would run until September 2, 1997. She was not here for the hearing, but she did send a letter. We also held a hearing for Ann Gilbert O'Hara. I think most of you know her husband, Paul O'Hara. Her term also runs through September 2, 1997. Both of them are very well qualified and very...I think would be a very good addition to the Nebraska Arts Council, and I would