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we're going to talk about chauvinism, sexism in the workplace, become exercised about what's happening at the national level...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...with Clinton, with his downright rotten, low-down dirty self, we need to put mirrors all around the Legislature so whichever direction we look...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a reflection...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Chair recognizes Senator Chambers. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President, and I did not even detect a note of reluctance in your voice and for that I am appreciative. Let me tell you all something else before I go on. I don't make New Year's resolutions. There are a lot of traditions that people kowtow to in this society that I just pass off as, as I said, WFM. That's white folks' mess, so you know what those letters stand for and you won't, you know, kind of draw up when I say the words themselves. The only resolution I make is that every time I wake up in the morning and draw a breath and am conscious of who I am, where I am, and have control of my limbs, I'm grateful, and my resolution is to continue being grateful every time I draw that breath. And part of it, Senator Cudaback, I have to admit, is based on the fact that every time I draw a breath then it makes my enemies so upset, so it's not all altruistic. But going back to the image of this mirror that surrounds the Legislature, every time we look in that mirror, our reflection is thrown back to us, and since we pass laws that impact on the lives of all the citizens of this state, our conduct needs to be somewhat reflective of the principles we try to put into that legislation. The Supreme Court has said repeatedly, and we all know it, that it's within the power and it is the responsibility of the Legislature to state and declare the policy of this state through legislation. Nobody can be forced to observe any kind of morale standard as a condition to being in the Legislature, just so you haven't walked outside the law, been caught, convicted and sentenced.