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efforts in that. She has become nationally known and works on national boards in this field. So I just would urge, of course, and I don't think there'd be any reason not to vote for her reconfirmation this morning. I'm just very pleased and proud to know Susan Seacrest. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is the last time I will speak on this nomination. Over the weekend, I did some reevaluating of what we have done this session. I have been very nice. I have gone along with many issues. I let Senator Brashear, the "Silver Fox," run over me with a bulldozer, or if you'd like the example better, trample me into the ground like a herd of wildebeest in full flight. I have a bill that means a great deal to me that's going to be coming up shortly, but never in order to try to get a vote for something that means a great deal to me am I going to ignore important issues that must be dealt with. We have to take life as it comes, and if I lose something this session, I'll be back next session. And if things go in a way that I think are just too unjust, I will make it easy for the Legislature. I will, as I did last year, withdraw every bill that I have pending before this Legislature. I am growing weary of having constantly to try to educate my colleagues about things that I know they already understand. To seem day after day to be walking the same path again and again and yet again, then I hear my colleagues, when a matter comes up that's of concern to them and addresses their constituency, whether in their district, whether a particular segment of the economy, or whatever, and they will speak with what for them is passion. They will argue as forcefully as they're able and they are trying to get the rest of us to see things their way and go along with them. Well, when you tend to take issues that already bring you a lot of company and a lot of support, it's not too difficult to do that. But when, on the other hand, you constantly must speak for those who have no other voice, who have no political clout, who have no organized lobby, then your attitude toward life is not quite as accommodating and easygoing as those who live a "cocoonized" sheltered life, and either don't know or pretend not to know that there are living, breathing people out here affected negatively by what we do and by what we refuse to do. So if