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SENATOR LYNCH: ...suggest it would work. By the way, while there's a caucus going on...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...in the middle, can I use your last minute, Senator?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: You, may, um-hmm.

SENATOR LYNCH: And I'll punch my light just in case, but in any case, I walked a parade out in Florence Saturday and handed out Tootsie Rolls so that maybe the little children's folks might consider voting for us the next we run. I did take the time to ask people, as I moved up and down the street, you know, what they thought about the convention center. I asked 27 people, I talked to a lot of people, but I asked 27 people, there were some young folks following me with signs and making notes, et cetera, and out of the 27 I asked, 3 said they didn't want it, 2 said they didn't really care, but the rest, I am assuming these are all people who live in north Omaha, maybe in Ernie's, I know in my district in some cases, they hope we get this thing through. They thought it would do an awful lot to help anchor our end of Omaha and town, and I was very encouraged by the way they supported it, and I was willing to say that 60 percent of the people I talked to...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...were black and the rest were others.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Lynch, your light is on next.

SENATOR LYNCH: Well, I could do like so many do, just keep on talking till I think of something to say, but on the other hand, if we have some business to get on with, I'd just as soon not. And I appreciate the fact that a lot of people are discussing this issue at this point in time, trying to resolve some of those issues. They are not necessarily contentious or difficult or bad, even, or good, but just to resolve the issues, and we're close to, I think, doing that on the second part of the