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were beaten up for nothing. I mean, terribly beaten. And I have never been able to watch somebody physically assaulted without it bothering me. When I was Lothrop Grade School, it was mainly white kids, I would take up for white kids. I didn't want to see anybody gang or beaten by somebody who obviously was superior to that person physically. So those things always bothered me. As years rocked on, I saw where people of that persuasion were targeted by police officers, and attacked because they were homosexual. There were groups...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that would take these people out, beat them mercilessly, then kill them. Not for anything they did. The killers didn't even know them. But because they were homosexual. And I became aware that something terrible is wrong in this country. And somebody needs to say something about it. Somebody needs to do something about it. And I know I cannot solve that problem. But there was a song they used to sing in the church I went to. It said, brighten the corner where you are. And if everybody would light one little candle instead of cursing the darkness, then we would begin to make some progress. And that's all that I'm trying to do. Was that my third time, Mr. President?

SENATOR CUDABACK: That was, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You're recognized to close on your motion to return if you care to.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I will not leave this issue alone. It is like an itch that I cannot scratch. I cannot make it go away. And I do not want it to go away. I would not be the kind of man, I would not be the kind of person that I want to become if I would not do all I can as a legislator to do away with the discrimination in this society against anybody. There are some of the Catholic persuasion who are very much opposed to what I'm doing. But see, not too many years ago, Catholics were discriminated