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entails. We do not spend enough time explaining to people what is involved in this job, the hours of work, the amount of research, the number of bills. Even the bad bills require time to ferret out the arguments to show that the bill is bad. And all of the different things that we do. Now, having been targeted, I'm not going to tell those people out there that if they overturn term limits I'm going to leave here. I'm not down here for them. I come here time after time because the people in my district ask me to. And it's not one of those things where I just say that. I do not accept campaign contributions. People have sent me money saying they appreciate what I do. I void the check, write a very courteous thank you, but let them know I do not accept money for anything that I do. I have a weekly cable program. I invite people to run for this office. I tell the people in the district what my positions are that might be most controversial. I favor gay rights, and all that I can think of that might turn off the people in my district. And I tell them, these are things that I believe in, and as long as I'm in that Legislature, I'm going to push very hard for them. And when the day comes that you all are so dissatisfied with me that somebody else should be here, it's up to you to send somebody else down here. I don't own this position. It is not mine. It belongs to you all. And when you can find somebody to run against me, put them up against me, and I will not campaign. If after all these years people don't know what I stand for, they're not going to find it out during a campaign. And I have too much pride, too much ego, too much self-respect to get out there and beg people to vote for me to send me to a place like this for four more years. The productive years of my life are long since past. There are many things I could have done other than stay in this low-paying hellish job for all of these decades. Not years, decades. When the first black man to be mayor of Chicago won...he was very popular...I had offers to come to Chicago. I would not go. I've had offers to work for large organizations, those that had worked against apartheid in South Africa. I've been given invitations to travel around the world. Maybe I'm part vampire, but I will not fly over the ocean, so I stay on the mainland. I've had numerous offers. People want to buy artwork that I've done, but I'm not going to sell it. I'm sentimentally attached to it, and I want to give my children something. Money I could get. There was a very