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insult them. The mayor vetoed it. The issue was brought up again by Frank Brown, who is a member of the black community. Again, the city council said no. Black people are well aware of the attitude of white people toward us. Now, if I were white, there is no way that with the things that I've done in this Legislature that I wouldn't be out there with all those people, no way, but I wouldn't choose to be out there. I don't want to be out there. This has nothing to do with me. In fact, everything that I do which is seen to be of value in other parts of the country and even around the world, literally around the world, are the things which, when I'm fighting them here I receive the most opposition on. I have spoken before the U.N. I had a conflict and confrontation with then President Carter at the White House. I've spoken before a congressional committee. When the so-called Kerner or Riot Commission was in effect, I spoke by invitation there, and the newspapers wrote about my testimony more than anybody else's. But in the city and the state where I live, what is the attitude? I probably am the most reviled, hated person in this state, because there are more white people than any other group. If I were trying to cheese up to white people, I would conduct myself entirely differently from the way that I do. I'm not here trying to win friends. Nobody in this Chamber do I go home with. They don't go home with me. We don't eat together. We don't socialize together. Friends share experiences. We as black people probably have an entirely different concept of what constitutes friendship. I have very few friends of any race, ethnicity, nationality, religion, or whatever other label you want to apply. So I am looking at these things from a different perspective, with a different point of view, and I will not allow myself to be submerged in a sea of whiteness and come forth sounding like a white man in blackface. That is not me. Malcolm X could be considered a man who's on the infrared end of the spectrum, the infrared end of the spectrum where anger, indignation, and a willingness to use self-defense would be found. Martin Luther King was on the ultraviolet end, the peaceful, willing to suffer anything end. But because both men in their own way self-determined the course they would watch...walk, both of them were assassinated. The same ones who hated Martin Luther King hated Malcolm X, and they cheered when both men fell. But Malcolm never got the recognition that Martin Luther King got