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Lakota stepfather. His stepfather and his family were present at the hearing. Lawrence will represent the minority interest on the council. The second person is Joseph Citta of Columbus. Joseph is a Hastings College graduate, a 30-year employee of NPPD, where he serves as corporate environmental manager. He is a registered environmental manager, and is certified a hazardous material manager. Joe is a director for the Lower Loup NRD, was president of Todd Valley Wetlands Foundation, and served as chair of the environmental section of the American Public Power Association. He is a power industry representative on the council. The last person is Ron Zeiger. Ron is a graduate of Northwest Missouri State University, and a self-employed grading contractor. He served for eight years on the city council, and six as its president. He is a lifetime member of the VFW and American Legion, a founding member of the Syracuse Area Economic Development Corporation, and a member of the Nebraska Diplomats. Ron represents municipal interest on the council. The vote for these three individuals was 6 in favor and 2 absent on all three. Senator Heidemann might recall that this Mr. Zeiger, I believe, was his opponent in the last election. That would be my report, and I would recommend confirmation of these three individuals.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Chairman Schrock. Now open for discussion on the report offered by the Natural Resources Committee. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, because of the way Senator Schrock introduced the first individual, I am compelled to ask him some questions for the record.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock, would you yield?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, I will answer, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schrock, looking at this gentleman's name...and I know you cannot always tell a person's derivation from his name. His last name is Bradley, B-r-a-d-l-e-y; first name, Lawrence, L-a-w-r-e-n-c-e. Did you say something about he is of Hispanic derivation?