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the Environmental Quality Council, that takes into account the impact that, whether it's lead and lead emissions, or whether it's other industrial kinds of consequences to low-income and minority people, I think he can do. His degrees, two degrees in biology, help him to have a technical understanding. Having grown up on an Indian reservation, Native American reservation, I think helps him to understand a certain experience that he can bring as well. I don't know his exact makeup, and again, I don't really like to talk about somebody's ethnic makeup, because I'd rather look at a person as a person. His mother was white, as I understand it, his father was Hispanic, and his stepfather was Native American, and thus, he grew up much of his life on the reservation. He currently lives, although I don't have the exact address, in the inner city of Omaha, which is an area that is greatly impacted by some of the environmental contaminants from old industrial plants, the remnants of which, some, only a few are still there, most are gone, but the consequences of tend to live on, and that we're still dealing with. In my experience in working with Mr. Bradley, he has a sensitivity to the community, he has a sensitivity and appreciation for doing the right thing for the right reasons for those people who frequently do not have a voice or are not feeling empowered to express that voice. So I support Lawrence Bradley in this nomination, have supported him.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: Are there other people that I would like to see on the Environmental Quality Council? Certainly. Were there others that came forward? I can't off the top of my head think of any other candidates that I got, even though I tried to find other people to apply. At this point, I appreciate the discussion. I think it is important that we talk about these things. And I remain committed to Lawrence Bradley and to his appointment to the Environmental Quality Council, and I thank the Natural Resources Committee for having their hearing, for giving him probably more questioning and more time than frequently happens in confirmation hearings, and to Senator Schrock for helping me to get the legislation through the committee and passed on the floor that would allow a minority representative to even be on the...