

into new technology. Within those parameters we wish you would get something done and this is a statement right from the heartland saying, go ahead, Mr. President, do it, negotiate a freeze. Make sure there is on site verification. Make sure there is verification. With those elements, as I say, I think the resolution is a strong statement and I want to say of support for the President to do these things. And I think it is not in any way an affront. I do believe that it is the pressure from the heartland and from all of the individuals out here that does give a direction to the federal government. Indeed, we all well know that ultimately, public policy on the major issues is shaped at the grass roots level and this is a grass roots action sending a signal, a strong signal as to the direction we would wish to see pursued and which we believe is possible. And I don't have to be a nuclear expert to say I want that goal reached. I don't have to be a genius about military arms. I don't have to trust the Russians. None of those things are necessary for me as a political purpose person representing a number of people to say, it is time to do something and we are telling you we're ready, we're telling you we want it, go this direction and that is what it amounts to. Of course I know the vote is going to be very close. I would guess one side is going to have probably either 24 or 25 votes to pass it. The other side is probably going to have because of absences, 21, 22, somewhere in there. It is going to be an extremely close vote. But if nothing else it has accomplished the goal of airing both sides, and I guess I think maybe that is the most important of all and I would simply say, let your conscience be your guide, but also neither side be blindly thinking that there is only one answer. I think you can support the resolution and not be offending the President, not be offending the peace process, not be offending the negotiations, on the contrary, supporting them. I would simply close by saying the same thing I said before. I believe within a year you and the people of the United States of America will see the most significant nuclear arms treaty entered into that has ever been accomplished and I think it will, so to speak, leapfrog over this entire debate of nuclear freezes and I further believe and hope that it is little actions like this that will spur that into action and I think it will.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of LR 57. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. We are voting on the issue of LR 57. Please record your vote, aye or nay. We are informed that two members are excused. Have you all voted on the resolution? Have you all voted on resolution 57? Senator Wesely. Clerk record.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, I'd like to have a Call of the House, please.