

College for almost 25 years and in the same service, of course, served the State of Nebraska. Dr. Nelson had also served the State of Nebraska in a variety of other capacities and I think one of the remarkable things about Dr. Nelson is that even after he has retired from Chadron State College at a time when many people would have taken to going south for the winters or tending to their grandchildren or their gardens or other activities, Dr. Nelson has continued to rather vigorously, I don't know of any other word to put it, vigorously contributed to the well being of the State of Nebraska and its citizens. Specifically he has instituted a program for community revival and renewal and has delivered that program in over 70 communities in the Midwest including dozens of them within the state of Nebraska. He brings such an enthusiasm to that activity that I think quite frankly the citizens of the towns where he makes his presentation cannot resist it; and if they ever lacked enthusiasm before they saw Ed, that is long gone. And he literally causes them to renew their faith in themselves and in their communities and to engage in all kinds of community improvement activities. Dr. Nelson's specific relationship to the activity center was, of course, his efforts on behalf of the creation of the center and its funding. He was president of the college at a time when that funding was authorized, and in fact, a gubernatorial veto was overrode to actually fund the institution. But it is, as I said, an honor, a privilege, and a joy to bring this resolution to you to recognize Dr. Nelson and what I would almost have to characterize as his long suffering wife who has indeed contributed to Dr. Nelson's efforts by her willingness to allow him to engage in them and providing the support and encouragement he needs to continue with his efforts. With that, Madam President, I would simply commend the resolution to the body and again express my heartfelt satisfaction and joy at having brought this to you.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Next we have a resolution by Senator Schrock, as we look at the subject matter of the resolution. It is no surprise that he has some guests he would like us to recognize that are visiting here today. From the city of Holdrege we have Mayor Jim Van Marter, we have members of the City Council. Would you all stand and be welcomed and recognized by the Legislature. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Madam President, members of the Legislature, it is my privilege today to introduce the resolution commending