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PRESIDENT: So let Senator Koch speak. Senator Koch, you were ahead of...

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I do. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed nay. The motion is to cease debate on the bill itself. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 3 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: All right, debate ceases. Now, Mr. Clerk, I understand we have an amendment though.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Keyes has offered an amendment.

PRESIDENT: We really should go ahead with the amendment then before we close, so even though the debate is ceased on the motion there is an amendment that is on the desk, so we will have to take up the amendment. It was on the desk as I understand it, is that right? Mr. Clerk, was it on the desk prior to the close?

CLERK: It arrived prior to our vote, yes.

PRESIDENT: Was it, did you say?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT: It was, all right, read the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, the amendment reads as follows: Beginning with the 5th paragraph strike all language to the Resolve. In the Resolve portion of the resolution strike paragraphs 1 and 2, and in paragraph #3 strike the language, "Should the embargo not be lifted, then" and insert the word "That".

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Well, Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of this amendment. I will read you what it does. This makes it one of the finest amendments for agriculture in the state of Nebraska and in this nation that we could ever ask for. Whereas agriculture is vital, significant and a necessary industry in the United States, there is nobody can deny that. Whereas the free market system used to exchange agricultural products represents a delicate balance between the world markets and continuing productivity capable of the American agriculture, nobody can doubt that. Nobody can say that that