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LR 24? Seeing none, Senator Goodrich, will you close?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Can't we just vote on the thing and be done with it.

PRESIDENT: The motion is the adoption of Legislative Resolution 24. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 5 nays on the adoption of the resolution, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. Legislative Resolution 24 is adopted. We will proceed then with Legislative Resolution 25.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 25, found on page 670 of the Journal is offered by Senator Kilgarin. (Read.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: Thank you. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, LR 25 is a simple noncontroversial resolution that will honor our social workers. There are over four hundred professional social workers in the State of Nebraska. They live and they work here. We have recognized their contributions through establishing graduate and undergraduate programs in our educational institutions who confer degrees upon these people and with LR 25 we would be acknowledging their contribution to our society. Many times this is a contribution that I feel is overlooked but certainly should not be overlooked. If just one person somewhere is helped by these social workers or a social worker, I think it is a contribution that should be recognized and I urge your support of LR 25. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, Senator Kilgarin, are we going to give them doctors' degrees, too? I have a little hesitation seriously about this, not because I don't like social workers but what about everybody else that works for the State of Nebraska? What about every other person who is governmentally employed? What about the teachers? What about the retired teachers? I wonder why and perhaps you would like to cover this in your closing as to why you singled out one section of workers to honor. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.