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During his term of Senator he was one of the people that worked trying to abolish the personal property tax way back then that we accomplished in the last few years. He also was active in his local community and had been Mayor of Red Cloud and I think it behooves this body to extend our sympathy for Kenneth Bowen and that we recognize the contribution that he made to the State of Nebraska. Therefore, I move the adoption of this resolution.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I, too, would like to pay tribute to a former colleague. Some of us are still here that were serving at the time that Ken Bowen was with us as a State Senator. I had the greatest respect for Senator Bowen. He did a tremendous amount of work on Nebraska's tax programs when we attempted to broaden the tax base. At that time we were not taxing income or sales and he contributed much in the way of writing magazine articles. He had the full respect of this entire body and I am glad to have a part signing my name to the resolution at this time of his death. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Any further discussion? All those in favor of the adoption of the resolution #62 vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? We are voting on resolution #62 honoring Kenneth Bowen. Record the vote.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 62.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The resolution is adopted. Now we go to LR 65.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 65 (read). Mr. President, the resolution is found on page 1604 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this resolution was cointroduced by the six Lancaster County State Senators in an effort to try and indicate support amongst us and hopefully amongst the Legislature for locating the central regional office of the Veterans Administration in Lincoln, if that should come to pass. I want to emphasize a couple of points on that though. Number one, the resolution doesn't say anything about asking that they consolidate or recommending that they consolidate or anything along that line. That is completely left out of the resolution. All we are saying is that if the Veterans Administration is going to consolidate and is going to have a central regional office, we sure would like to have it in Lincoln, and I think as the