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SENATOR CLARK PRESIDING

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cullan, does your green light work? Thank you. Have you all checked in, please? The Clerk will record, please.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, what we are on now is LB 189...or LR 189. Senator Newell, did you want to offer a motion on this?

CLERK: You don't? Okay, then I have got nothing on it.

SENATOR CLARK: The question at the present time is the adoption of the resolution. Senator Chambers, would you like to talk on that? What was it you said, Senator Chambers? What did you say? Tell it over your mike.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I think Senator Newell wanted a chance to be recognized to speak on his resolution so I will speak after he does.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, basically the debate this morning has been on the kill motion and on some issues related to the question of this issue and the hearings that have preceded it and how long this issue has been before the public for consideration. One thing I would like to say is that this is not a brand new issue. This has been before the public for in excess of twenty years. There has been a number of changes. There has been some modification. It has been worked with by the community. I passed out for the Senators' edification a synopsis of the North Freeway Task Force report. I have the full report which I will ask a Page to pass out shortly, which will give you more details, show the various groups and organizations that have worked with the Department of Roads, the City of Omaha, to design and fine tune the design process on this very important arterial for the City of Omaha, for North Omaha in particular. This has been analyzed, debated and studied, and basically community groups of all kinds have been involved in the process, and they are in favor of what has basically been done. The modifications that have been suggested by the Task Force is the latest, most current. It represents some changing from the original philosophy in the whole question of the North Freeway. It has been a compromised proposal,

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