

there should be a placing of state dollars where the Legislature has placed its mouth and an assurance given that this project will be completed. I think it would be a gross injustice not to adopt this resolution especially in view of what the Agriculture Committee did the other day. On February 4th they advanced a bill dealing with the Vet College. It was to extend the date authorizing agreements to construct this school. And here is the final paragraph in an Omaha World Herald article of February 5th, 1982. "The bill would extend until December 31st, 1984 legislation authorizing construction of a college of Veterinary Medicine providing that federal and private funds and cooperative agreements with at least two other states are secured." Now the Vet College will impact on white people and the interests of white people in the same way that the State Office Building in Omaha did. So they don't want to initiate any construction until all of the money that would be necessary to complete it will be secured. Where the North Freeway is concerned, on a \$50 million project you have a possibility of \$2 million. That even cannot be spent due to the bid rigging investigation which the U.S. Attorney told me may take upwards of a year to complete, and there is no telling who and which types of companies may be drawn into the investigation before it is over. So this resolution is very simple in what it suggests, namely that the state undertake to carry out what it has indicated its will is. I have a sneaking suspicion that the vote on the resolution in 1981 and the vote against the bill in 1982 may have had just a tiny bit of personal animosity in it toward me. But in order that I can be shown publicly to have made a misjudgment, I am offering the opportunity for the Legislature to "put me in my place" by showing that I have misperceived and misread this situation. I know that Senator Howard Peterson may not have too much interest in this issue on its own merits, but I have got a little rhyme here that I would like to read before Senator Peterson going to the scriptures for some additional support in my stand against the Freeway. Here is the little rhyme. "I have argued: In my eyes, To start construction is unwise. Thinking minds will not give backing To this road, for funds are lacking. If you chafed from my rebuke, Consider, then, the words of Luke." And I will go to Luke, the 14th Chapter beginning at the 28th Verse: "For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, saying, this man began to build, and was not able to finish." So, Senator Howard