

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I would like if the Senators who got here early this morning could hear the beautiful music of the Bellevue East High School Band which are seated in the north balcony and Bellevue East High Band was one of 10 bands chosen across this country and representing the whole State of Nebraska in the rededication of the Statute of Liberty this Fourth of July. I think they just play outstanding music, outstanding young people of my city, I think also young people of this state. I think we, as this body, the Legislature, should be doubly proud of their talents and I guess their youth, but I think they are really outstanding so I think we just simply offer this resolution in their behalf because they are representing Nebraska at the rededication of the Statute of Liberty, and if we want to help, I think they have a goal of raising \$100,000 to pay their way back to Washington, D.C., so any contribution, we would gladly accept it. Thank you.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Beyer, please.

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker, colleagues, one thing about Sarpy County, they are always well represented. Even though the three of us senators do not always agree with each other, when it comes to the youth of the county, I think we always agree that regardless of what school district they are from, they do a great job in any endeavor that they try. So I congratulate Bellevue East on being chosen as a representative, not only of the county, but the whole state. So I heartily endorse this resolution. Thank you.

SENATOR CARSTEN: The question is, shall the resolution be adopted? All those in favor will vote aye, those opposed will vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.

SENATOR CARSTEN: The resolution is adopted. Senator Hartnett, for what purpose do you stand?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Could I ask could we applaud the band, could we ask the band to stand and be recognized and be applauded.

SENATOR CARSTEN: We can and you surely may.