

amendment is on page 51 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I firmly believe that this is not the time to spend the funds to build a brick and mortar building, but instead, take the \$5 million and give it back to the University. But being practical about it, I know that the votes aren't here and I was terribly upset that there was nothing in the record about the money that is going to pay for the operations and the upkeep of the Lied Center. I wrote the Attorney General and asked him, should we not have some sort of a legal document between the Foundation and the Legislature that they will provide these funds? The response was that it is really none of their business. So, I was very concerned that on down the road the state would end up paying for the operations and the maintenance of the Lied Center. So I met with Mr. Warner and I am going to read into the record and you are all going to receive a copy of a resolution that states the Foundation will, period, whatever the cost, pay the operations and maintenance of the Lied Center. Now the first fiscal note showed it was 500,000 and the latest fiscal note showed that it was 750,000 maintenance and operations. This is what drew my attention to it. So at this time, Mr. President, I would like to read this resolution into the record.

"WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in conjunction with the University of Nebraska Foundation are preparing to construct the \$20,000,000 Lied Center for Performing Arts, and,

WHEREAS, the Lied Foundation Trust will pledge under certain conditions \$10,000,000 to the construction of the Lied Center and has requested that the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Nebraska Foundation undertake to provide sufficient funds for the operation and maintenance of the Lied Center; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Nebraska Foundation is conducting a campaign to raise \$5,000,000 for the purpose of creating a permanent endowment to operate and maintain the Lied Center;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the University of Nebraska