

Legislature and I don't think that the Legislature should be in the business of pledging cooperation to anybody or any entity. Then it goes on to say, its Chairman of the Board, Willis Strauss, and I might add, who defeated humiliatingly Sam Segnar who you just left in as somebody to be thanked by the Legislature by a minority vote of 14 to 15, 14 in favor, 15 against, and its President and chief operating officer Kenneth Lay. We pledge to work with HNG Internorth as they work for America. HNG...and Senator Wesely just waved the white flag of surrender, so I will just make this comment, then I won't belabor the point. HNG Internorth is working for HNG North and the reason they raised their rates as high as the law allows is because they are working for profit, not for America, unless America is one of their subsidiaries whose operations have been moved to Houston. But remember this, and I am saying it, and you can ridicule me if it turns out that I am wrong, HNG Internorth intends to move to Houston. The majority of its operations have already been moved to Houston. The cat was let out of the bag by their Chairman of the Board who said that they cannot cram all of the activities of both corporations into one city at the same time. However, there will continue to be consolidation and there will be layoffs, which means people are going to lose their jobs. If the bulk of the operations have been moved to Houston, where will the layoffs occur? They will occur in Omaha, which is situated in Nebraska. So here is a company that is going to move to Houston and you are thanking them. Really what you are doing is groveling. I saw a cartoon in this morning's paper and it showed a depiction of Charles, the guy from England, and his wife, Diana, walking, and there is a person who looks exactly like an American with her teeth fastened into the shoe of Charles. And Charles is saying to Diana, I think that is the American version of the curtsy, in other words, licking, not just licking, biting the shoe of those they consider royalty. And how appropriate would that commercial be, that cartoon be, if all I would do is change Charles and Diana to HNG Internorth and depict that person with her teeth sunk in the shoes as the Nebraska Legislature? I think this third proposition is one of the more inappropriate ones and I am suggesting that it be struck. And if you retain it by a vote of 15 for my amendment, 14 against it, then Senator Wesely's job should be clear to him. Knowing Senator Wesely to be a very perspicacious young man, I believe that with that bombshell, that land mine called the Sam Segnar resolve still in the resolution by a less than majority vote, he