

and supervision. We need to be concerned about the type of care being provided in that extended situation. And a day set aside to ponder the situation might result in a more enlightened public, and also it might result in solutions that parents and children and childcare providers can come to grips with. We have...we have asked our childcare providers to do this most important job sometime without a great deal of monetary compensation, sometime, well most of the time without any personal accolades, and certainly I don't know of any public praise that has been directed toward childcare providers. We have some excellent childcare providers out there, and whether you choose grandmother, or a relative, or a professional childcare provider organization, we do want to stop and reflect that these people are a very important influence on our children, and we need to maybe stop and thank our childcare provider. I know when I had young children I blessed them every day. And give...the children and the childcare provider, Senator Haberman. But it is an important job, usually a low-paying job, and perhaps a pat on the back, or just tell them they're going to have a special day on Saturday, September 10th this year. We're hoping we can get this going so it will be an annual thing and maybe have something more formal and more celebrative. With that, I would encourage your support of the Childcare Provider Recognition Day.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Any discussion of any of the legislative resolutions listed under agenda Item number 7? Senator Pirsch, your light is first.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Oh, thank you. Yes, I just wanted to support the first resolution that Senator Lindsay and Senator Ashford did present. And one of the things I've always thought would be most fascinating in a cultural exchange or in a history class would be that each child in the class who has a unique ethnic and cultural history could share that. I think that would be a fascinating way to make history more personal to us when we can associate it with our family. And I particularly like that kind of attention paid to our national variety diversity of culture.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Yes, thank you, Madam President, members. I rise in support of LR 503, and it gives me an opportunity, I think, to say a few things about this particular medium that I think is very important and would like to have the body think