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Delegate Baldwin?

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, I move that debate on the Constitution of the new State of New Columbia be limited to 30 minutes, and without exception, that the two-minute rule be enforced.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: It has been moved and seconded that debate on the adoption of the Constitution be limited to 30 minutes, and without exception, that each speaker follow our rule of two minutes.

Discussion?

(No response.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: There being no discussion, those in favor, indicate by saying aye.

(A chorus of ayes.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Those opposed?

(No response.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Abstain?

(No response.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Debate is now in order.

Delegate Shelton?

MS. SHELTON: Mr. President, Delegates, Officers,

Residents of the great Ward 1, it has been my pleasure to serve with you, and it will be my pleasure to cast an affirmative vote for the Constitution of the new State of Columbia.

(Applause.)

MS. SHELTON: I cast my vote based on 20 years of decisive work in this community in the interest of freedom and self-determination.

(Applause.)

MS. SHELTON: I believe that this Constitution reflects the views of the District of Columbia -- each youth of this community, each adult of this community who has labored in the vineyard of an effort to provide sovereignty for the District of Columbia.

I am particularly proud to associate myself with the Bill of Rights of this Constitution, and as you know, I am personally proud to associate myself with the Section on Freedom from Discrimination. For too long in the District of Columbia, the majority of the residents have had to labor under the problem of discrimination. In the New Columbia, Discrimination will be eradicated, and for the first time, those who have labored so long in the civil rights field will