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1 THE COURT: Any preliminary matters we should
2 take up?

3 MR. SABRAHAR: I think we're ready to go, if --

4 THE COURT: My understanding is that plaintiff is
5 to proceed first, so if you'd like, Ms. Kennelly --

6 And remember, ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
7 what counsel say in their opening remarks is not evidence,
8 but is merely an outline of what they will present to you
9 during trial.

10 MS. KENNELLY: Your Honor, may I stay here to --

11 THE COURT: I'd prefer you to be at the podium.

12 PLAINTIFF'S OPENING STATEMENT

13 MS. KENNELLY: Thank you.

14 Your Honor, members of the jury, there's a story
15 about a lawyer named Dorothy Wilson, who used to work in
16 Portage, and was a legend among attorneys in our state.
17 And one of the things that Dorothy Wilson did when she was
18 trying lawsuits in the middle of this state and in the
19 northern part of this state thirty or forty years ago, was
20 to handle condemnation cases for landowners. And in that

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OPENING STATEMENT

21 | circumstance, she was doing it for the staking and
22 | easement-taking for Routes 64 and 39, which, as you know,
23 | run through some of the best farmland in the country. She
24 | always asked jurors the same question, one that I'm going
25 | to ask you to think about during the course of the trial.

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