

## ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 179**

Introduced by Smith, 14; Adams, 24; Ashford, 20; Avery, 28; Bloomfield, 17; Bolz, 29; Brasch, 16; Campbell, 25; Carlson, 38; Christensen, 44; Coash, 27; Conrad, 46; Cook, 13; Crawford, 45; Davis, 43; Dubas, 34; Gloor, 35; Haar, 21; Hadley, 37; Hansen, 42; Harms, 48; Harr, 8; Howard, 9; Janssen, 15; Johnson, 23; Karpisek, 32; Kintner, 2; Kolowski, 31; Krist, 10; Larson, 40; Lathrop, 12; Lautenbaugh, 18; McCoy, 39; McGill, 26; Mello, 5; Murante, 49; Nelson, 6; Nordquist, 7; Pirsch, 4; Price, 3; Scheer, 19; Schilz, 47; Schumacher, 22; Seiler, 33; Sullivan, 41; Wallman, 30; Watermeier, 1; Wightman, 36.

WHEREAS, the United States Navy possesses the USS Nebraska (SSBN 739), a nuclear-powered submarine of the Trident II class named after the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the people of Nebraska and the sailors who serve on the USS Nebraska share a special and unique bond, including partnership in the Omaha Navy League, the Big Red Sub Club, and the Nebraska Admirals Association; and

WHEREAS, from initial launch and continuing throughout its history, the crew members of the USS Nebraska have demonstrated patriotism, pride, and professionalism and faithfully executed their demanding duties which bestows great honor upon all Nebraskans; and

WHEREAS, the USS Nebraska has earned an enviable reputation as one of the most combat-ready and elite fighting units in the United States Armed Forces, and this distinction has been formally recognized on multiple occasions through receipt of the prestigious Submarine Force Battle Efficiency "E" Award; and

WHEREAS, numerous prominent Nebraskans have proudly observed the professional operation of the vessel, both in the surfaced and submerged operating modes, and as a consequence of such ceremonial dunking have been appointed honorary submariners of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the commanders of the USS Nebraska have on many occasions served as representatives of the United States military within Nebraska, including during the annual Nebraska statehood celebration at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, the USS Nebraska was commissioned on July 10, 1993, marking 2013 as the 20th anniversary of its commissioning; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Admirals Association and the Big Red Sub Club have jointly planned and executed a fitting ceremony in recognition of the 20th anniversary of the commissioning of the USS Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes the 20th anniversary of the commissioning of the USS Nebraska.

2. That the Legislature encourages the citizens of Nebraska to send support and thanks to those men and women who sacrifice and serve in defense of global peace.

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the commanders of the USS Nebraska.