

## ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 621**

Introduced by Kolowski, 31.

WHEREAS, Thomas D'Aquila is a student at Mount Michael Benedictine High School in Elkhorn, Nebraska, and an alternate winner in the Letters About Literature reading and writing competition; and

WHEREAS, this competition is a national reading and writing promotion program sponsored annually by the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, and is sponsored in Nebraska by the Nebraska Center for the Book, the Nebraska Library Commission, and Houchen Bindery, Ltd.; and

WHEREAS, Thomas is one of nearly 50,000 young readers nationwide and one of more than 400 students from Nebraska in grades 4 through 12 who participated in this year's Letters About Literature program; and

WHEREAS, for his competition entry, Thomas wrote a personal letter to author Art Spiegelman explaining how he was influenced by "Maus," the author's novel about his father's experiences as a Polish Jew and Holocaust survivor; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Thomas D'Aquila on his selection as an alternate winner in this year's Letters About Literature program competition.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Thomas D'Aquila.