

## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

## LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 81

Introduced by Dierks, 40; White, 8.

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach, a daughter, sister, friend, lawyer, columnist, and reporter, died unexpectedly on March 27, 2009, at the age of 46; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach grew up in Wynot, Nebraska, in Cedar County, a place that was always very near and dear to her heart; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach graduated from Wynot Public High School in 1980. She graduated with honors from Creighton University in 1984 and went on to earn a law degree from Yale University Law School in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach was a member of the Nebraska and New York State Bar Associations and worked in New York City as an attorney at the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach survived a near-fatal taxi cab accident in 1990, which ended her career in New York City and left her with a traumatic brain injury and years of recurring health problems; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach returned to Nebraska and while recovering from the accident worked diligently to obtain a master's degree in journalism from the University of Nebraska -

Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach enjoyed reporting on current events in federal and state government, had a special fondness for the Nebraska Legislature, and wrote columns for the Nebraska Press Association and the Cedar County News; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Kay Burbach was an inspiration to family, neighbors, and friends who admired her positive attitude, love of life, amazing work ethic, and perseverance as she faced many challenges during her lifetime.

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

1. That the Legislature expresses and extends its sympathy and condolences to the family of Barbara Kay Burbach.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Barbara Kay Burbach.