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ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 139

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WHEREAS, Charlotte Endorf of Norfolk, Nebraska, is being honored as the 2011 Nebraska Mother of the Year; and

WHEREAS, this award exemplifies the ideals of successful motherhood: understanding, patience, compassion, love, courage, character, and community spirit; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte and her husband are the parents of two children, a son and a daughter; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte and her husband have provided help and support to their daughter, who continues to improve after becoming ill with Lyme disease; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte is the author of seven inspirational books, three of which she co-authored with her daughter, Sarah. Her books include the inspirational stories of unsung heroes in her community and several books comprising a history of orphan trains, which were the beginning of foster care and adoption in the United States; and

WHEREAS, dressed in 1800s period attire, Charlotte and Sarah bring to life their stories of children's orphan train experiences for members of their community; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte and her family are a licensed foster care family and have opened their home to foster children since 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Charlotte meets and exceeds the requirements of this award, all of which demand efficient organizational, time-management, and leadership skills, along with patience, a positive attitude, perseverance, and a love of family and community.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Charlotte Endorf on being named the 2011 Nebraska Mother of the Year.
 - 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Charlotte Endorf.