Introducing by Krist, 10.

WHEREAS, Ella Alberts, a seventh-grade student at Westside Middle School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Ella earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy over the past four years to collect more than $1,300, along with hundreds of needed supplies, for animal shelters by operating an annual one-day lemonade stand; and

WHEREAS, Ella found other volunteers to assist her and promote support for animal shelters and other charities; and

WHEREAS, the success of the state, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ella who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Ella Alberts for receiving a 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

2. That the Legislature recognizes Ella’s outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit, and extends best wishes for her continued success and happiness.

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Ella Alberts.