

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 112

Introduced by Arch, 14; Guereca, 7; Holdcroft, 36; Murman, 38; Raybould, 28; Spivey, 13.

WHEREAS, Special Olympics was founded in 1968 with a mission "to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community"; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Sue Mulligan of Papillion, Nebraska, was one of the one hundred athletes from the United States of America to compete in the Special Olympics World Winter Games, was one of only five athletes from the USA to compete in cross country skiing, and was the sole athlete from Nebraska to compete in the Special Olympics World Winter Games; and

WHEREAS, the Special Olympics World Winter Games was held in Turin, Italy, from March 8 through 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mulligan has been involved in competitive skiing and Special Olympics for thirteen years; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mulligan medaled in the 2023 Special Olympics Heartland Games, was nominated by Special Olympics Nebraska to compete in the Special Olympics World Winter Games, was selected by Special Olympics USA, and attended training camp in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mulligan earned three silver medals in the Special Olympics World Winter Games medaling in the 1K - Free Technique, the 4x1K Relay - Free Technique, and the 2.5K-Classical - Technique.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Rachel Sue Mulligan of Papillion for

her participation in Special Olympics and her success at the World Winter Games.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Rachel Mulligan.