ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 140

Introduced by Holdcroft, 36; Arch, 14; Armendariz, 18; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Brandt, 32; Clements, 2; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Hallstrom, 1; Hardin, 48; Hughes, 24; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Moser, 22; Murman, 38; von Gillern, 4. WHEREAS, Nebraska Family Alliance, founded in 1988, is a nonprofit policy research and educational organization that represents a diverse network of

thousands of individuals, families, and faith leaders, advocating for Biblical values, marriage, families, life, parental rights, and religious freedom in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Karen Bowling was hired as Outreach Director at Nebraska Family Alliance in 2001 and became Executive Director on August 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, significant legislation and ballot measures were passed during her time at Nebraska Family Alliance, including the successful passage of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, parental consent for minors to have abortions, Choose Life License Plates, the dismemberment abortion ban, the Let Them Grow Act, Initiative 434, and legislation to combat human trafficking and protect survivors; and

WHEREAS, Karen announced her retirement on August 29, 2024, and named her successor, Nate Grasz; and

WHEREAS, Karen retired on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Karen continues to serve in her church and community, as well as spending time with friends and family; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the contributions to our state by outstanding individuals and organizations.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes, honors, and thanks Karen Bowling for her service with Nebraska Family Alliance to families in Nebraska.

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2. That copies of this resolution be sent to Nebraska Family Alliance and Karen Bowling.