

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 334**

Introduced by Juarez, 5; Guereca, 7.

WHEREAS, James N. "Jim" Hartung was born June 7, 1960, in Omaha, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Jim attended South High School where his team was State Champion for all three of his years and Jim was an eighteen-time All-Around and individual event champion; and

WHEREAS, Jim graduated and attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he was one of the most decorated athletes in collegiate history, earned twenty-two All-American honors, won seven All-Around and individual events in national championships, was a member of four national championship teams, and received the prestigious Nissen-Emery Award as the national outstanding senior male gymnast; and

WHEREAS, Jim was an Olympian and was named to the United States 1980 and 1984 gymnastics teams. He competed in 1984 and helped the United States earn the Team gold medal, the first and only time the medal has been earned by American men; and

WHEREAS, Jim dedicated his life to gymnastics and later became a high-level judge internationally as well as an assistant coach in 2006 for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's gymnastics team for nineteen seasons; and

WHEREAS, Jim passed away on January 10, 2026, and is survived by his four children: Jim, Nick, Jake, and Hannah; and

WHEREAS, Jim Hartung was a gymnastics luminary and will be missed by his friends, family, and community.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes Jim Hartung's life-long dedication to

gymnastics and his love for the sport.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Jim Hartung.