

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 438**

Introduced by Ibach, 44; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Brandt, 32; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Holdcroft, 36; Hughes, 24; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Meyer, F., 41; Murman, 38; Prokop, 27; Riepe, 12; Strommen, 47; Wordekemper, 15.

WHEREAS, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association's 2025 National Environmental Stewardship Award program identifies outstanding land stewards in the cattle industry; and

WHEREAS, the Lonestar Ranch, established by Sherman McCoy in 1888 in Imperial, Nebraska, grew to almost eight thousand acres under his care and was later renamed the Wine Glass Ranch in the 1930s; and

WHEREAS, currently, Jeff, Connie, Logan, and Brianna Pribbeno manage the ranch and have grown it to thirty thousand acres of crops, rangeland, and grazing lands; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Pribbeno family implemented new conservation efforts on the ranch, such as adding ecological edges to their cropland, which consists of perennial and native grasses, planned grazing systems, providing winter grazing of cover crops and harvested crop residues to minimize wind erosion, and planting more than ten thousand trees and shrubs to provide windbreak protection and wildlife habitat areas; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2026, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association named the Wine Glass Ranch the 2025 National Environmental Stewardship Award winner.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Pribbeno family for earning the National Cattlemen's Beef Association's 2025 National Environmental Stewardship Award and for their exceptional stewardship of the land.

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