

## **RESOLUTION**

**SUBMITTED TO:** The Legislature, The Governor, Local School Boards, Superintendents, Education Policy Partners

**SUBJECT:** Resolution for Organizing and Financing an Essential Education

**PROPOSED BY:** The Nebraska State Board of Education

**DATE:** April 4, 2003

### **Whereas the State Board of Education:**

Recognizes that the State Board of Education, the Legislature, and the Governor have always held public education to be one of the highest priorities of this State.

Believes that every child should be provided an essential education regardless of where the child resides in this State.

Believes that engaging the public in defining essential education is a priority of the State Board of Education.

Believes that the organization of schools and educational service units in this State should be based upon providing an essential education to every child from pre-kindergarten through the twelfth grade.

Believes that the policy of this State should focus on financing the public schools based upon providing an essential education to every child.

Believes that the time has come for the State Board of Education, the Legislature, and the Governor to begin and participate in a study with the public on how to finance and organize schools and educational service units to provide an essential education to every child.

**Be it resolved: The State Board of Education calls upon the Legislature and the Governor to support a study of organizing and financing public schools and educational service units so as to provide an essential education to every child.**