## **READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK**

March 2, 2010

Resolution recognizing and endorsing Read Across America Day, and calling for the citizens of the Nebraska to reaffirm the importance and the joy of reading.

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education is firmly committed to promoting reading as a catalyst for the academic success of all students; and

WHEREAS, the academic success of Nebraska students will prepare them to effectively compete for and excel at employment opportunities in the global economy of the future; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska State Board of Education has traditionally provided significant leadership in the area of education, grounded in the principle that education is vital to the state's well-being and long-term quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Tuesday, March 2, 2010, is the birthday of the noted children's author, Theodore Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss, and has been designated Read Across America Day in celebration of his birthday and in promotion of reading and adult involvement in children's education; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Nebraska State Board of Education endorses March 2, 2010, as Read Across America Day; and calls upon the citizens of the state to reaffirm to Nebraska students the importance and the joy of reading.

Kandy Imes, President State Board of Education Røger D. Breed, Commissioner Nebraska Department of Education