RESOLUTION
NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF ANN MASTERS

WHEREAS, Ann Masters has contributed significantly to the quality of education provided by Nebraska schools as well as to the excellence of education enjoyed by all Nebraska students during her 37 years of service at the Nebraska Department of Education.

WHEREAS, Ann Masters has provided guidance and leadership to the Nebraska Department of Education and Nebraska schools as Director of Business Education for 14 years, as the Administrator of Vocational Program Services for 4 years, and as Administrator of Curriculum and Instruction for 8 years, during which she was instrumental in moving the adoption of the High Performance Learning Model, aggressively acted on the development of curriculum frameworks, applied for and received multi-million dollar federal grants, and worked through the process of changing job descriptions, philosophies and work strategies.

WHEREAS, Ann Masters has provided guidance and leadership to the Nebraska Department of Education and Nebraska schools as Assistant to the Commissioner for the past 11 years, including coordinating the programs for Teacher of the Year, Milken Family Foundation Award, Nebraska Quarter Launch, Administrator Days, Operation Recognition, Leadership Nebraska, and the Mactier Leadership for Learning Award, as well as serving as a representative for the Commissioner on numerous professional boards and commissions relating to the educational industry.

WHEREAS, Ann Masters has served the State Board of Education and the Nebraska Department of Education over the past 11 years as the State Board of Education Liaison, whereby she coordinated various civic and policy partner forums, was active in the NASBE liaison meetings, and supervised communications, agenda and logistics for monthly board meetings.

WHEREAS, Ann Masters’ expertise and service have always extended the Nebraska Department of Education mission of educational excellence and equity, and consistently served Nebraska students and teachers with unwavering dedication to the principles of quality education for all.

AND WHEREAS, on December 31, 2009, Ann Masters retired from the Department, leaving an unequaled legacy of outstanding leadership within the Nebraska Department of Education and throughout the state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nebraska State Board of Education recognizes Ann Masters’ contributions and service to Nebraska schools on behalf of generations of Nebraska students, and

That the Nebraska State Board of Education Members express their collective appreciation and admiration for her leadership and for her dedication to Nebraska Department of Education.

On behalf of the State Board of Education this 6th day of January, 2010.

Kandy Imes, President

Jim Scheer, Vice President