ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

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WHEREAS, national adoption awareness began in 1976 and expanded from a week of observation to a month of observation in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Adoption Awareness Month is a time to celebrate family and to bring about awareness that there are hundreds of thousands of children in foster homes awaiting adoption; and

WHEREAS, every child deserves a loving, nurturing, and permanent home; and

WHEREAS, adoption gives children a brighter future, brings great joy to the adoptive parents, and places fewer demands on social services; and

WHEREAS, adoptive children often need extra patience and support to help them overcome previous hardships; and

WHEREAS, there are families able and willing to adopt children who have special needs; and

WHEREAS, children waiting for adoptive parents and families who have adopted these children require and deserve community and public support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Nebraska Legislature recognizes November,

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2007, as Adoption Awareness Month in Nebraska.

2. That during November, 2007, communities are encouraged to participate in activities designed to increase public awareness about the benefits of adoption.