

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 110

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WHEREAS, prescription drug abuse is a growing and pervasive problem throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, drug-related deaths are more frequent than traffic fatalities in sixteen states; and

WHEREAS, two thousand five hundred children and adolescents begin abusing prescription medications each day; and

WHEREAS, an estimated seven million Americans abused prescription medications in 2009; and

WHEREAS, prescription pain medication is the fastest growing addiction in the United States; and

WHEREAS, abuse of prescription drugs affects not only individuals, but also their families and communities.

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

1. That the month of October 2011 be designated as Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month in Nebraska.

2. That during October 2011 communities are encouraged to participate in activities designed to increase public awareness about the danger of abusing prescription medications.