## ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 303**

Introduced by Albrecht, 17.

WHEREAS, Jon Pickinpaugh received the 2017-18 Milken Educator Award; and WHEREAS, the Milken Educator Awards publicly recognize teaching excellence to honor educators and to impress upon students and communities the importance of joining the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, the annual awards, which come with a \$25,000 prize, are widely known as the "Oscars of Teaching"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickinpaugh is one of just forty-four Milken Educator Award recipients for the 2017-18 academic year, and the only honoree from Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickinpaugh has taught for eight years at South Sioux City Middle School, where he is currently an eighth grade science teacher and wrestling and football coach; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pickinpaugh has a strategic and creative dedication to boosting Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education through highly interactive lessons for his students; and

WHEREAS, dedicated teachers like Jon Pickinpaugh, along with motivated students, are key to our state's future.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Jon Pickinpaugh on receiving a Milken Educator Award.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Jon Pickinpaugh and to the superintendent of the South Sioux City Community Schools, Todd Strom.