

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 185**

Introduced by Crawford, 45; Blood, 3.

WHEREAS, Bellevue became home to Nebraska's first school system in 1833, founded by Baptist missionaries, Moses Merrill and his wife Eliza Wilcox Merrill; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue's first public school, known as Bellevue School District #1, renamed Main School in 1911, was constructed in 1869 on the site of what is now Mission Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the Main School site served as an elementary, junior high, and high school until 1966 when its name was changed to Mission; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue has operated a school on the site of the Mission Middle School from 1869 through 2019; and

WHEREAS, Mission Middle School is a "Community of Learners Achieving Success Safely", shaping the future through engagement, innovation, and a culture of belonging; and

WHEREAS, Mission Middle School has educated thousands of students, including multiple generations of Bellevue families who have lived, worked, and prospered in the Bellevue community; and

WHEREAS, Mission Middle School, Bellevue Public Schools, the community of Bellevue, and the State of Nebraska are celebrating the 150th year of education at this site with events involving students, alumni, and the community during the month of August in 2019.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes Mission Middle School's 150th anniversary.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mission Middle School.