

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 203

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WHEREAS, during March, 2019, the region experienced a powerful bomb cyclone with a rare combination of extreme rain and snow causing flooding and blizzard conditions throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, this natural disaster caused significant loss of life, homes, businesses, and livestock, causing damages in excess of two billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, on March 12th Governor Ricketts declared a state of emergency for Nebraska and on March 21st President Trump approved a disaster declaration for the state enabling federal assistance; and

WHEREAS, Nebraskans have shown tremendous resiliency in the wake of this natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, many individuals, non-profits, and businesses across the state joined in with rescue operations, recovery, and fundraising; and

WHEREAS, many Nebraskans and the Federal Emergency Management Agency assisted in flood relief, including the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, emergency managers, the Nebraska National Guard, fire and rescue crews, law enforcement, volunteers, medical staff, local contractors, neighbors, friends, and countless others who took part in the disaster response and recovery relief efforts.

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

1. That the Legislature thanks the Federal Emergency Management Agency,

the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, and the emergency managers for their outstanding leadership and support during the flooding and recovery.

2. That the Legislature recognizes first responders, law enforcement personnel, the Nebraska National Guard, public power, the Department of Transportation, and the local businesses, churches, organizations, and countless volunteers for all their efforts during the flooding and recovery.

3. That the Legislature recognizes the extraordinary contributions by fellow Nebraska residents and residents of other states who selflessly gave of their own time and resources to assist their neighbors in need during this disaster.

4. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency.