

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

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WHEREAS, Anne Boyle of Omaha was a dedicated public servant who devoted her life to advocating on the behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was a pioneering woman in Nebraska politics, a dynamic leader, a passionate public servant, and a loving wife, mother, and grandmother; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was a mentor for women of Nebraska looking to enter politics; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle spent her life advocating for underprivileged and marginalized Nebraskans; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the great-granddaughter of Edward Howell, an Omaha City Councilman and former Nebraska State Senator; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the granddaughter of Sam J. Howell, a former Nebraska State Senator; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the daughter of Sam J. Howell, Jr., a former Douglas County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle graduated from Cathedral High School in Omaha in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle married Mike Boyle in 1965; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was elected three times to the Public Service Commission, serving from 1996 until her retirement in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the first woman elected in the 130-year history of the Public Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle bolstered the Lifeline Fund, helping low-income Nebraskans gain access to cell phone services in emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the mother of five children, Maureen, Michael, Pat, Jim, and Maggie; and

WHEREAS, Anne Boyle was the grandmother of eighteen grandchildren.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes the significant and important contributions Anne Boyle made to the State of Nebraska and its citizens.

2. That the Legislature recognizes the thousands of Nebraskans uplifted by the dedication and work of Anne Boyle.

3. That the Legislature offers its condolences to the family of Anne Boyle.