

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 313**

Introduced by Brewer, 43; Arch, 14; Bostelman, 23; Clements, 2; Gragert, 40; Kolowski, 31.

WHEREAS, the American Legion was founded in Paris on March 15, 1919, as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion is chartered and incorporated by Congress, operating departments in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, France, Mexico, and the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion was instrumental to the passage of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, otherwise known as the "GI Bill"; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska American Legion has over 31,000 members in 355 posts statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska American Legion supports youth through programs including Boys State, County Government Day, Legion Baseball, and Oratorical Contests, and recognizes civil servants through awards like Teacher of the Year, Firefighter/EMS of the Year, and Law Enforcement Officer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion has been a stalwart advocate for the well-being of Nebraskan veterans; and

WHEREAS, the American Legion will continue to be an institution across Nebraska and in other American communities for years to come; and

WHEREAS, March 15, 2020, marks the 101st anniversary of the founding of the American Legion.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the American Legion on its 101st anniversary.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the American Legion Posts of Nebraska.