

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 255

Introduced by Vargas, 7.

WHEREAS, the National Education Association, as part of their annual Human and Civil Rights Award program, presents the Cesar Chavez Accion y Compromiso Human and Civil Rights Award to a nominee who follows in the exemplary footsteps of Cesar Chavez in philosophy, work, and leadership by:

(1) Engaging in activities that dignify workers and their jobs and give them hope for a better life;

(2) Demonstrating devotion, resilience, and strength in organizing traditionally disadvantaged workers;

(3) Combining labor relations techniques and grassroots organizing to achieve improvements in working conditions;

(4) Making notable contributions to the labor movement through commitment, action, and negotiation; or

(5) Organizing racially and ethnically diverse groups to support and empower disadvantaged workers and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Children of Smithfield group, led by Maira Mendez-Rodriguez, demonstrated the criteria to be deserving of the Cesar Chavez Accion y Compromiso Human and Civil Rights Award by demonstrating resilience and strength in their organizational work to help dignify workers and improve working conditions during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Children of Smithfield were awarded the 2021 Cesar Chavez Accion y Compromiso Human and Civil Rights Award.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Children of Smithfield on receiving the National Education Association's 2021 Cesar Chavez Accion y

Compromiso Human and Civil Rights Award.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Children of Smithfield and Maira Mendez-Rodriguez.