Resolution: Commendation for Commitment to Building the Party and Electing Democrats

Sponsored by Charlene Ligon, National Committeewoman and Ron Kaminski, Vice Chair

WHEREAS in the 2022 elections, the Nebraska Democratic Party achieved a 72%-win rate with more than 550 Democrats running in races across the state;

WHEREAS our Block Captain program continues to grow with over 850 volunteers can vassing their neighbors across the entire state in the cities, small towns, and rural areas accomplishing over 150,000 grassroots contacts;

WHEREAS the party made historic investments into our vote by mail program resulting in an increase from 72,000 to 104,000 Democrats voting early, a 40% increase from 2018 midterm elections;

WHEREAS the NDP, county parties and volunteers made more than 350,000 voter contacts through texts, handwritten postcards and phone calls exceeding any other midterm cycle;

WHEREAS Voter Guides were sent to more than 230,000 voters in all 93 counties, which assisted Democrats and Non-partisans with their ballots;

WHEREAS the NDP, county parties and volunteers organized over 75 town halls, meetups, parade teams and yard sign drive-thru events all year long across the entire state;

WHEREAS pundits predicted we would return to the legislature with 13-15 Democrats and instead we proudly sent 17 Democratic senators to the 2023 legislative session adding more women to the body and the first openly gay State Senator;

WHEREAS the NDP exceeded the fundraising goals in our Finance Plan, further diversifying our sources of contributions to include national party committees, large donors and grassroots donors. In fact, we have more monthly donors than any other time in our party's recent history;

WHEREAS the NDP staff proudly belong to the IBEW union showing our party walks the talk of supporting labor;

WHEREAS the NDP, throughout COVID, maintained two offices, six mobile offices, four staff members and other key pieces of the party's infrastructure so we could hit the ground running for our candidates in early 2022;

Therefore, be it resolved, we commend Chair Kleeb along with NDP officers, county parties, staff and volunteers for their hard-work, commitment to building infrastructure of the party and electing Democrats.