

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 294

Introduced by Kauth, 31; Andersen, 49; Bostar, 29; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Holdcroft, 36; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Meyer, G., 17; Murman, 38.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor currently serves on the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, serving since 2019 and recently re-elected in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor was in a two-vehicle crash on May 21, 2025, in Omaha, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) causing serious bodily injury, a Class IIIA felony, after law enforcement determined that she was operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and that she caused the crash; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, section 5, of the Constitution of Nebraska states that "A civil officer of this state shall be liable to impeachment for any misdemeanor in office"; and

WHEREAS, Article III, section 17, of the Constitution of Nebraska provides that the Legislature has "the sole power of impeachment".

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

1. That the Legislature calls upon Elizabeth O'Connor to resign her seat on the Board of Regents immediately.

2. That the Legislature hereby calls upon the Governor, pursuant to section 32-573, Nebraska Revised Statutes, to fill Elizabeth O'Connor's vacated seat, pending an election to fill the vacated seat.

3. That if Elizabeth O'Connor fails to resign, articles of impeachment will be filed against her, to be heard by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature.

4. That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to send, upon passage, a copy of this resolution, by certified mail with return receipt requested, to Elizabeth O'Connor at her last-known address.