

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 447

Introduced by Howard, 9.

WHEREAS, bullying is the most common form of violence; and

WHEREAS, bullying causes deep psychological pain, and children who are bullied often experience low self-esteem and depression, physical problems, more frequent school absences, poor academic achievement, and increased school dropout rates; and

WHEREAS, children who engage in bullying behavior often go on to engage in more destructive, antisocial behaviors as teens and adults; and

WHEREAS, schoolwide commitment to stop bullying can reduce bullying by more than fifty percent; and

WHEREAS, it takes a community to prevent the bullying of children; and

WHEREAS, National Bullying Prevention Month encourages communities nationwide to work together to increase awareness of the prevalence and impact of bullying on all children.

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

1. That October 2012 be designated as Nebraska Bullying Prevention Month with the intention that the issue of bullying and its prevention be discussed in the State of Nebraska during that time.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Department of Education.