

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 86

Introduced by Lathrop, 12; Bolz, 29; Chambers, 11; Geist, 25; Hansen, M., 26; Hilgers, 21; Morfeld, 46; Pansing Brooks, 28; Wishart, 27.

WHEREAS, Nancy Hicks Rose spent 46 years as a journalist in Nebraska, including more than 20 years reporting on state government and the Legislature for newspapers in Lincoln and Omaha; and

WHEREAS, journalists provide an essential service, keeping residents informed and holding government accountable; and

WHEREAS, Nancy is highly regarded for fairness and objectivity in her writing, as well as her questioning of public officials; and

WHEREAS, Nancy has taken a similar approach to her coverage of local government in the city of Lincoln in the final years of her career; and

WHEREAS, the inscription over the main entrance of the Capitol, written by Hartley Burr Alexander, is "The Salvation of the State is Watchfulness of the Citizen"; and

WHEREAS, through her work, Nancy Hicks Rose has embodied this premise and demonstrated many of the best traits a journalist can possess; and

WHEREAS, Nancy will retire from journalism on April 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Nancy will continue to serve as an example of the value of well-reported, local journalism in our state.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes the impact Nancy Hicks Rose and her fellow journalists have had on the state and the importance of their contributions to a well-functioning government.

2. That the Legislature congratulates Nancy Hicks Rose on her retirement.

3. That copies of this resolution be sent to Nancy Hicks Rose and the Lincoln Journal Star.