## ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

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WHEREAS, Erwin H. Schopp, of Plymouth, Nebraska, was captured and died as a prisoner of war during World War II and has since been accounted for on January 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Schopp was a member of Headquarters Battery, 59th Coastal Artillery Regiment during the invasion on the Philippine Islands by the Japanese in December 1941; and

WHEREAS, Schopp was among the thousands of United States and Filipino service members who were then captured and interned at POW camps; and

WHEREAS, Schopp died on January 1, 1943, where he was believed to be held at Cabanatuan POW camp and was buried in the local Cabanatuan Camp Cemetery in Common Grave 822; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency has never stopped looking for fallen military to respect the fallen and their families, friends, and communities.

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

- 1. That the Legislature thanks Erwin H. Schopp for his service to the United States.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Erwin H. Schopp.