

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 349

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WHEREAS, Ken Siemek retired after working forty-four years as a meteorologist for KOLN-TV Lincoln/KGIN-TV Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, Ken joined KOLN/KGIN in 1981, and during his time with the station he served as the Severe Weather Center Chief Meteorologist and became the longest-tenured employee in the station's history; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career Ken provided trusted weather coverage to central and eastern Nebraska and delivered critical warnings during major weather events, including the October 1997 snowstorm, the Hallam tornado in 2004, the statewide floods in 2019, and the Arbor Day tornado outbreak in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Ken will be inducted into the Nebraska Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame in recognition of his distinguished career in broadcasting; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes Ken's dedication to the safety of citizens across Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, for more than four decades, countless Nebraskans turned to Ken as the steady and trusted voice in the eye of the storm.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Ken Siemek on his successful forty-four year career and induction into the Nebraska Broadcasters Association Hall of Fame.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Ken Siemek.