ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 540

Introduced by Hadley, 37.

WHEREAS, Daniel Lynch, former state senator and longtime member of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, passed away on March 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Dan represented the 13th District in the Legislature from 1985 to 2001, and is remembered for his advocacy for people who traditionally lacked a voice in government, including the working class and people with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Dan spearheaded the passage of Nebraska's motorcycle helmet law in 1989 during his fourth year in the Legislature and vigorously fought against many subsequent attempts to repeal the law; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Douglas County Board, Dan was the driving force behind the creation of ENCOR, a five-county regionally administered agency which provides community-based services for people with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, as a 10-year member of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, Dan continued to champion services for people with developmental disabilities through his staunch support for adequate state funding; and

WHEREAS, beyond his public service, Dan gave generously of his time and energy to his neighbors and community, whether he was helping with a plumbing repair or dressing as Santa Claus to visit the children at Boys and Girls Clubs.

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

1. That the Legislature honors the memory of Daniel Lynch and his many contributions and achievements and expresses its gratitude for his many years of service to his state and community.

- 2. That the Legislature extends it sympathy to the family of Daniel Lynch.
- 3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to each of Daniel's children: Debra, Julie, Marianne, Danny, and Maureen.