

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 307

Introduced by McCollister, 20; Arch, 14; Blood, 3; Cavanaugh, 6; Chambers, 11; Crawford, 45; DeBoer, 10; Hilgers, 21; Hilkemann, 4; Howard, 9; Hunt, 8; Kolowski, 31; Lathrop, 12; Linehan, 39; McDonnell, 5; Pansing Brooks, 28; Vargas, 7; Williams, 36.

WHEREAS, Omaha firefighter Drew Gerken and his wife Crystal, a teacher, created and run The Furniture Project, where Drew and fellow firefighters collect and deliver donated furniture for families in need; and

WHEREAS, Drew Gerken was recently the focus of an episode of the Facebook Watch show, Returning the Favor, hosted by Mike Rowe; and

WHEREAS, Returning the Favor follows host, Mike Rowe, as he travels across the United States in search of people who give back to their community and provides such people with something to assist with their community service work; and

WHEREAS, as part of the show, The Furniture Project received 100 bunk beds from the Omaha chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace, four years of use of a storage unit from the StorageMart, and a new cargo truck from Returning the Favor; and

WHEREAS, the Gerkens are in the business of serving their community by teaching children, fighting fires, and operating The Furniture Project.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Drew Gerken for being recognized for his service to the Omaha community.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Crystal and Drew Gerken.