

# STATE OF NEBRASKA



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,**

*The State of Nebraska desires to promote excellence in education; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Dozens of studies confirm that children who are educated at home score significantly above average on national achievement tests; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Studies demonstrate that home-educated students excel in college; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Home education has a long history of success in this country, helping to produce such notable Americans as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, John Quincy Adams, Patrick Henry, Benjamin Franklin, John Jay, John Marshall, Abraham Lincoln, Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, Booker T. Washington, Thomas Edison, William Henry Harrison, John Tyler, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin Roosevelt, Mark Twain, Irving Berlin, Rembrandt Peale, George Patton, Douglas MacArthur, John J. Pershing, Standing Bear, Roscoe Pound, Edward Creighton, Willa Cather, William Jennings Bryan, and Bertram Goodhue, architect of the Nebraska State Capitol; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Home education strengthens the family and promotes the highest standards of honesty and morality, which are essential elements in the preservation of a free society; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Home education promotes good citizenship and positive socialization; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*The State of Nebraska recognizes the fundamental right of parents to direct the education and upbringing of their children; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Home educators bear the cost of their children's education as their own responsibility and do not add that cost to the burden of the state; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*It is appropriate that home educators be recognized and commended for their dedication to excellence in education and for their significant and vital contributions to our society.*

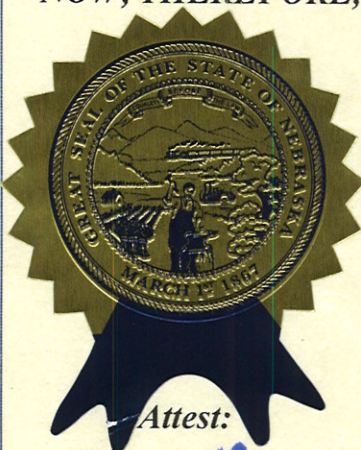
**NOW, THEREFORE,**

*I, Pete Ricketts, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of March 1 – March 7, 2020 as*

### NEBRASKA HOME EDUCATION WEEK

*and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this Twentieth-eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty.*



Attest:

*Wm. A. B. B. B.*  
Secretary of State

*Pete Ricketts*  
Governor