STATE OF NEBRASKA

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *The American Academy of Audiology is the world's largest professional organization of, and for audiologists. The membership of more than 10,000 audiologists join together to provide the highest quality of hearing healthcare service to children and adults described by their national slogan "Caring for America's Hearing;" and*

WHEREAS, *The American Academy of Audiology promotes quality hearing and balance care by advancing the profession of audiology through leadership, advocacy, education, public awareness and support of research; and*

WHEREAS, *The American Academy of Audiology was founded in January of 1988 when a group of audiology leaders met at the invitation of Dr. James Jerger at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas for the purpose of establishing an independent , freestanding national organization run by and for audiologists; and*

WHEREAS, *Audiologists are dedicated health care professionals that diagnose, treat and manage individuals with hearing loss or balance problems; and*

WHEREAS, *Audiologists academic and clinical training provide the foundation for patient management from birth through adulthood; and*

WHEREAS, *Audiologists may be found working in medical centers and hospitals, private practice settings, schools, government health facilities and agencies, as well as colleges and universities throughout Nebraska; and*

WHEREAS, *Audiologists perform their duties with compassion, professionalism and a commitment to those who serve; and*

WHEREAS, *The observance of the 20th Anniversary of the American Academy of Audiology provides a special time to express our appreciation and gratitude to audiologists for their hard work and dedication to our continued well-being and quality of life.*

NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Dave Heineman, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY RECOGNIZE the*

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in Nebraska, 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 Twenty-seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eight.

Attest:

Secretary of State

Governor