WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") and the regulations (the "Regulations") promulgated thereunder require certain procedural steps be taken prior to the issuance of tax-exempt private activity bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Code and the Regulations provide that an applicable elected representative of the State of Nebraska must approve the issuance of certain private activity bonds following a duly noticed public hearing.

WHEREAS, the Code and the Regulations provide that the chief elected executive officer of the State of Nebraska may designate any elected official to approve such private activity bonds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pete Ricketts; Governor of the State of Nebraska, as the chief elected executive officer of the State of Nebraska, do hereby designate John A. Gale, Secretary of State, as an "applicable elected representative" (as defined in Section 147(f)(2)(E) of the Code) for the purpose of providing public approval, within the meaning of Section 147(f) of the Code, of private activity bonds issued by the Nebraska Educational, Health, and Social Services Finance Authority, an instrumentality of the State of Nebraska.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this 17th day of February, 2015.

Pete Ricketts, Governor
State of Nebraska

Attest:

John A. Gale, Secretary of State
State of Nebraska