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; and

WHEREAS, the Code and the Regulations provide that the chief elected executive officer of the State of Nebraska may designate an 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 Robert B. Evnen, 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 Investment Finance Authority (NIFA), an instrumentality of the State of Nebraska and private activity bonds issued for facilities in the State of Nebraska for which a public hearing is conducted by NIFA in accordance with Section 147(f) of the Code.

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 28th day of February, 2019.