BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING)		
APRIL 21, 2017 AS NEWMAN)	RESOLUTION NO.	R-17-0033
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH DAY)		

WHEREAS, Newman Methodist Episcopal Church was established in Lincoln, Nebraska on April 3, 1892; and

WHEREAS, It was organized by nine families: Curtis, Bedell, Washington, Collins, Walker, Christman, Robertson, and McCown who were former members of Quinn Chapel AME Church in Lincoln, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Newman's first Pastor was Rev. T. J. Porter; and

WHEREAS, Newman had several locations in Lincoln, Nebraska from 10th and "K" Streets, 9th and "N" Streets, 7th and "J" Streets, 23rd and "S" Streets and its present site at 23rd and "R" Streets, and each home for Newman and its Congregation was filled with fellowship, love, communion, stewardship, and civic responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Newman was a member of the Central Conference (a conference comprised of African American churches) but when the Central Conference was dissolved in 1968, Newman affiliated with the United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Newman UMC and its Congregation have produced many city, state, national, and international contributors that have enriched and continue to improve the fabric of the Arts, Government, Civic Responsibility, Philanthropy, Community Betterment, Race Relations, Education, Religiosity; and

WHEREAS, Newman UMC and its current Lay Pastor John Goldrich has led and continues to inspire and move his flock with divine guidance and love and an appreciation for his fellow man and woman as they express their needs and wants for spiritual nourishment and growth; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of Newman United Methodist Church's 125th Anniversary of steadfast and faithful service to our community, that April 21, 2017 should be declared as Newman United Methodist Church Day in Lancaster County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster County, Nebraska, that April 21, 2017, is hereby declared as "Newman United Methodist Church Day" in Lancaster County, Nebraska.

DATED this 18th day of April, 2017

APPROVED AS TO FORM this day of, 2017	BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA
Joe Kelly County Attorney	