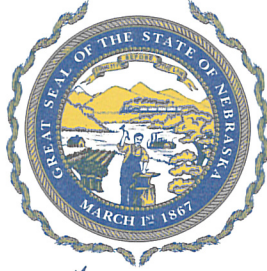


# STATE OF NEBRASKA



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,**

*The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America was established in New York City on 16 February 1868, the Elks Lodges of the great State of Nebraska will unite together on the last weekend in April to pay tribute to their parent organization in celebrating the Elks milestone of 150 years of service during the Nebraska Elks Association Annual Convention; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Elks inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity, recognize a belief in God, quicken the spirit of patriotism, and cultivate good fellowship, Elks benevolently invest in their communities through programs that help children grow up healthy and drug-free, provide millions in youth education scholarships, actively meet the needs of today's veterans, and selflessly reach out to improve the quality of life.*

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

*I, Pete Ricketts, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the weekend of April 27 – 29, 2018 as*

### **THE ELKS 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND**

*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 Second day of April, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen.*



*Attest:*

*John A. Gree*  
Secretary of State

*Pete Ricketts*  
Governor