RESOLUTION OF NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT

<u>No. 23-72</u> Adopted: December 14, 2023

WHEREAS, Mike Morgan, City Manager for the City of Kearney, Nebraska, has well and faithfully served the public and the community of Kearney since 2005; and

WHEREAS, prior to 2005, from September 1983 to May 1984 Mike served as a Management Intern for the City of Des Moines, IA; from June of 1985 to December 1986, he was a Management Assistant for the City of Dallas, TX; from December 1986 to June 1991 Mike was the Assistant City Manager for the City of Delaware, OH; he then became the Deputy City Manager for the city of Salina, KS from July 1991 to January 2005, where his responsibilities included direct management of the City's Capital Improvement Program and serving as the Development Services Director. In January 2005, Mike was given the opportunity to become the City Manager of Kearney, where he has been actively involved in various Nebraska Public Power District retail customer committees, as well as, being a lifetime member of the International City/County Management Association, an International City/County Management Association (ICMA) member since 1984, an Athletic Hall of Fame member at Northwest Missouri State University, Leadership Salina graduate, a Rotary International Member, and a Pi Alpha National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kearney and Nebraska Public Power District have created an excellent working relationship, partnering to help strengthen public power in Nebraska, due in part to the charisma, guidance, and knowledge embodied by Mike Morgan. Mike has played a significant role in the growth and economic success of Kearney over the last 19 years including: Financing and development of the I-80 Cherry Avenue Interchange and Expressway; relocation and development of the Central Nebraska Veterans Home; development and continued growth of Yanney Park; retention and expansion of the Buckle Distribution Center; development of Tech One Crossing technology park and recruitment of Compute North; expansion of the Kearney Regional Airport; expansion of Baldwin Filters/Parker Hannifin distribution center; expansion and partnerships with the University of Nebraska-Kearney and Younes Hospitality projects; not to mention maintaining the lowest municipal property tax levy of Class One cities in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Mike Morgan will retire on January 10, 2024, from his current position as City Manager of the City of Kearney, after having faithfully served the City of Kearney for 19 years, during which time he has paved the way to success by his dedication and commitment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Nebraska Public Power District, on behalf of all the employees of Nebraska Public Power District and the people in Nebraska who it serves, hereby commends Mike Morgan for his amazing character, commitment to excellence, and loyalty to the City of Kearney; expresses its thanks for creating an extraordinary role model; conveys its appreciation for the friendship shown to NPPD; and finally, expresses its sincere wish that Mike enjoy the retirement with his wife Jill and family, to which his years of successful service entitle him.