



Whereas the Nebraska Library Association (NLA), a state chapter of the American Library Association, celebrates its 125th Anniversary in 2020;

Whereas the first meeting of NLA was held at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, on April 22, 1895, and here (ary L) \*ones was elected first president of the organization;

Whereas NLA's mission is-

Whereas NLA provides financial aid for its members, continuing education through scholarships, including the Louise A. Nixon scholarship for students as they embark on their path to librarianship;

Whereas NLA offers a multitude of professional development opportunities for all library employees in the state through the efforts of our sections and roundtables;

Whereas since 1911, NLA has helped to present the annual Golden Open House, a children's choice award given annually to authors and illustrators as determined by the votes of thousands of school-age readers from across Nebraska; and

