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Dear Dale,

As Secretary of State and Chief Elections Officer of Nebraska, it is my pleasure to present your school with the enclosed *Certificate of Appreciation* as an expression of gratitude for hosting a Veteran's Day program to honor your local veterans. This year, more than 230 schools reported to my office that they held an event for their veterans. I believe that is the best response we've had since developing the Honor a Veteran program in 2008.

Since the inception of this recognition, schools across the state have embraced the idea of creating programs and activities aimed at honoring veterans and educating students about the meaning of Veterans Day. Over the years, I've had the chance to speak at several events.

It has been a goal of my tenure to impress upon students the importance of civic participation. Events that honor our veterans help to bring that lesson home. I commend you for engaging your students in meaningful and creative ways to promote voting, good citizenship and good character.

Should you have any questions about the Honor a Veteran program, please contact Assistant Secretary of State, Laura Strimple at 402-471-8408/ laura.strimple@nebraska.gov.

Thank you,

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Be it hereby known to all that:
The Secretary of State hereby extends his gratitude and congratulations to:

Sandhills Public Schools
Dunning, Nebraska

in recognition for hosting a Veterans Day Program and your effort to thank local veterans who have served their country. The State of Nebraska joins you in honoring all of our nation's veterans on Veterans Day, November 11, 2016. We wish you continued success with your program.

Given this 10th day of December, 2016

John A. Gale

John A. Gale, Nebraska Secretary of State