



November 15, 2020

The Honorable Governor Pete Ricketts
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Mr. Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
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Dear Governor Ricketts and Mr. O'Donnell:

Please accept this report pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-606.

In 2020, Nebraska's Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs met twice pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-603. On July 24, 2020 the Commission voted to contract with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Bureau of Business Research to summarize and assess the economic impact of military assets in Nebraska pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statutes § 55-605 and § 55-606. For 2020, the Commission continues to put forth six recommendations that have their roots in the 2008 BRAC Task Force Report. These recommendations were validated in 2017, expanded in 2018, and were validated in 2019. These six recommendations serve as the Commission's "recommendations for preserving and sustaining military assets and missions existing in Nebraska" and serve as the Commission's "recommendations for actions which the state can take to encourage expanding such assets and missions" pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute § 55-606. On November 6, 2020 the Commission voted to amend and submit this report.

Questions may be directed to Phil O'Donnell, Military Affairs Liaison, at (402)-471-4546.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Hilgert". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John Hilgert

Chair, Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs