Memorandum of Agreement

This Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Grand Island ("City") and the State of Nebraska by and through the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services, ("State") this 17th day of December, 2019.

Whereas, a cemetery is located on the grounds of the Grand Island Veterans Home (GIVH).

Parcel # 400145379, miscellaneous tracts S5-T11-R9; 3.76 Acres

Parcel# 400145376, miscellaneous tracts S5-T11-R9; 2.28 Acres

Whereas, the State of Nebraska intends to transfer ownership of the Grand Island Veterans Cemetery to the City of Grand Island.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the premises herein, the City and State agree as follows:

- 1) Commencing upon final approval of this Memorandum of Agreement by State and by City, and transfer of the property to City, the City shall:
 - a) Assume responsibility for general maintenance of the cemetery grounds to including, but not limited to, the following: general landscaping maintenance and snow removal.
 - b) Protect the cemetery by continued maintenance of fencing and protective boundary obstacles to general accessible areas.
 - c) Protect the cemetery grounds from commercial and residential encroachment through greenspace buffer or the addition of public cemetery areas.
 - d) Permit future internments of those individuals identified on the list of reserved gravesites provided by State on January 4, 2019 (the "reserved internments"). Additional internments shall be permitted at the discretion of City's City Council.
 - e) For reserved internments only, open and close the gravesite and set headstones provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, all at no cost or fee to the deceased's estate or next of kin. City's fee schedule and policies shall apply to all non-reserved internments permitted by City.
 - f) Unless otherwise permitted by City, only headstones provided by United States Department of Veterans Affairs, shall be permitted.
 - g) Maintain the cemetery records received from the state and shall update such records as needed.
- 2) Upon approval of this Memorandum of Agreement by State and City, State agrees to transfer the Veterans Home Cemetery property to the City of Grand Island by quitclaim deed.

Dated: <u>TAN</u> 23, 2020.	Dated: January 28 , 2020.
STATE OF NEBRASKA, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	CITY OF GRAND ISLAND
DY:	By: Roger G. Steele, Mayor [attest] RaNae Edwards, City Clerk