Secretary of State Kobach Awards NASS Medallion

TOPEKA (August 22, 2013) – Yesterday Secretary of State Kris Kobach presented a NASS Medallion award in his office, Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor.

Jim Minihan received the award for his decades of service to the Office of the Secretary of State and to the State of Kansas. “Jim Minihan has been instrumental in the most significant accomplishments of the Office of the Kansas Secretary of State over the last twenty years,” said Kobach.

Minihan developed a master plan for the modernization of the secretary of state’s office in 1994; helped build the foundation for the Public Key Infrastructure for the state that supports statewide voter registration and electronic notary services; guided the development and implementation of the Kansas statewide voter registration database (ELVIS) and the voting equipment procurement contract that brought Kansas into compliance with the Help America Vote Act of 2002; facilitated bringing the Uniform Commercial Code filings online, making Kansas the first state to achieve 90% adoption of internet filings; and introduced innovations that led to scanning of millions of historic corporate filings in an 18-month period.

The award recognizes outstanding service and dedication to furthering the mission of the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS), including promotion of elections, civic education, service to state government, and commitment to giving.