Dear Nebraska Quilt Shop Owner,

We would like to introduce you to the Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops (NIFS) organization with the hopes you would join us. NIFS was created to organize the first Nebraska Shop Hop in 1999. Most of the NIFS stores have joined the All Kansas & Nebraska Shop Hop (AKNSH). It is up to you if you wish to participate in future AKNSH. However, NIFS has decided to return to our roots in 2024 and had a NIFS Shop Hop in September. We are planning another NIFS Shop Hop September 1-30, 2026. If you wish to participate in both shop hops, this is totally up to you.

NIFS is also focusing our attention on workshops, speakers and get-togethers with Nebraska Shop Owners to grow and continue the quilting community.

The purpose of the organization shall be: to strengthen, develop, coordinate and promote Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops; to formulate an organization to which Nebraska independent fabric shop owners can belong if they meet the requirements; to develop and promote state-wide promotions (such as pamphlets, shop hops, etc.) and to operate as a nonprofit organization.

Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops Membership Requirements:

- 1. Must have a store front which is open all twelve months of the year, with regularly posted hours.
- 2. Attend a minimum of one meeting each year.
- 3. Serve on a committee or hold office at least every other year.
- 4. Pay dues and other fees on time.
- The store's inventory must consist of regular priced cotton quilting fabric and books, patterns and notions related to quilting with a minimum of 500 bolts of first quality cotton fabric.
- 6. All rules and deadlines must be followed.

A current NIFS member may visit the store.

Please fill out the attached application.

## Application for Membership to Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops

## Please include:

- Pictures of your store front and at least two interior pictures
- An invoice for over \$300 from a supplier

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