## House Resolution No. 6003

By Representative O'Neal, Arpke, Aurand, Brunk, Garber, Goodman, Gregory, Hedke, Huebert, Kiegerl, Kinzer, O'Hara, Rhoades and Scapa

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A RESOLUTION designating January 22 to 28, 2012 to be school choice week in Kansas.

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the state of Kansas recognizes that all children in Kansas should have the right to the highest quality schools possible; and

WHEREAS, Citizens across the state of Kansas agree that improving the quality of education in Kansas and expanding access to highly effective schools is an issue of importance to the house of representatives of the state of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the state of Kansas recognizes that the critical role that an effective and accountable system of education plays in preparing all children in Kansas to be successful in a global economy; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the state of Kansas recognizes that Kansas has a multitude of high-quality public schools, public charter schools and nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the state of Kansas recognizes the many high-quality teaching professionals in public, private and charter schools across Kansas who are committed to educating children; and

WHEREAS, The vital cause of education reform is one that transcends ideology and political party affiliation; and

WHEREAS, Research demonstrates conclusively that providing children with multiple schooling options improves academic performance: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That January 22 to 28, 2012 be designated school choice week in the state of Kansas and calls this observance to the attention of all of our citizens; and

Be it further resolved: That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to Representative O'Neal.