

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1732**

**A RESOLUTION recognizing April 2, 2019, as National Service Recognition Day at the Capitol.**

**WHEREAS, Service to others is a hallmark of the American character and is central to how the United States meets and overcomes challenges. Through their extensive public service commitments, community service participants demonstrate loyalty, dedication and patriotism; and**

**WHEREAS, States are increasingly turning to community service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet local needs; and**

**WHEREAS, Community service represents a unique public and private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer money. Likewise, community service expands economic opportunities by creating more sustainable resilient communities and by providing those who serve with educational opportunities and career and leadership skills; and**

**WHEREAS, The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), a federal agency, shares a priority with local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives and strengthen communities; and**

**WHEREAS, The CNCS is responsible for annually engaging approximately 300,000 AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers at over 50,000 locations across the nation, including schools, nonprofits, faith-based groups and local agencies. These organizations are critical to the economic and social well-being of our communities; and**

**WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers address key challenges currently facing our communities. Besides preparing students for the modern workforce, these estimable organizations are engaged in counteracting natural disasters and the opioid epidemic and in providing assistance to veteran and active-duty military families; and**

**WHEREAS, On April 2, 2019, the CNCS is joining with the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, Cities of Service and local leaders across the country to commemorate National Service Recognition Day: Now, therefore,**

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we recognize April 2, 2019, as National Service Recognition Day at the Capitol; and***

***Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send two enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Billinger.***

**Senate Resolution No. 1732 was sponsored by Senators Billinger, Alley, Baumgardner, Berger, Bollier, Bowers, Braun, Denning, Doll, Estes, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Givens, Goddard, Haley, Hardy, Hawk, Hensley, Hilderbrand, Holland, Kerschen, Longbine, Lynn, Masterson, McGinn, Olson, Petersen, Pettey, Rucker, Skubal, Suellentrop, Sykes, Taylor, Wagle, Ware and Wilborn.**

**I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body**

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*