

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1860

A RESOLUTION in memory of Alvah Calvin “Cal” James.

WHEREAS, Calvin James, 73, died February 13 at his home in Jewell. A legend in Kansas Republican politics, Mr. James served as precinct committeeman for 30 years, Jewell County chairman for 16 years, state treasurer for two years, 1st congressional district chairman for 22 years, state committee member for 18 years and as Republican national committeeman, a position he held at the time of his death. He was an advisor and confidant of many state and congressional leaders, including United States Senators Bob Dole, Nancy Landon Kassebaum Baker and Pat Roberts, Congressman Jerry Moran, and Governors Robert F. Bennett, Mike Hayden and Bill Graves. As indicated by the Republican state chairman, Mark Parkinson, “We are all saddened by Cal’s passing, he will be missed on so many levels—as a friend, advisor and leader”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James established the James Clothing store in Jewell in June of 1950. He married Betty Collie on January 21, 1951, and was drafted into the army the next month. After serving in the United States Army in Korea through 1952 he returned to Jewell to reopen the clothing store. He and his wife later owned and operated the James Clothing and Mill Street Emporium in Beloit until their retirement in 1996. He served his community in many ways including service on various church committees, the USD 279 school board and the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Calvin James is survived by his wife, Betty, and his daughter, Susan, plus his son-in-law, Greg Knittel, and his grandson, David Knittel: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we recognize the service Calvin James gave to his party and community and extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Mrs. Calvin James, 315 Pearl, Jewell, Kansas 66949.

Senate Resolution No. 1860 was sponsored by Senators Morris, Adkins, Allen, Barnett, Barone, Brownlee, Brungardt, Clark, Corbin, Donovan, Downey, Emler, Feleciano, Gilstrap, Gooch, Goodwin, Haley, Harrington, Hensley, Huelskamp, Jackson, Jenkins, Jordan, Kerr, Lee, Lyon, O’Connor, Oleen, Praeger, Pugh, Salmans, Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Tyson, Umbarger, Vratil and Wagle.

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.*