

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1811

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Kansas Wesleyan University upon the inauguration of its 17th president.

WHEREAS, Kansas Wesleyan University will inaugurate Philip P. Kerstetter, Ph.D., as its 17th president on February 22, 2003, in the Sams Chapel, Pioneer Hall, on campus. The theme of the ceremony is a celebration of community; and

WHEREAS, Kansas Wesleyan University has provided a strong, faith based education in the liberal arts tradition to students from Kansas, the United States and around the world for more than 117 years; and

WHEREAS, Kansas Wesleyan University prepares its students to be contributing members of the Kansas workforce and in commerce throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Kansas Wesleyan University prepares its students for responsible leadership in their communities, for useful service in and to the world and for stewardship of the earth; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kerstetter has more than 30 years' experience in higher education. His most recent position was as Executive Associate to the President at Thiel College in Pennsylvania. He served as Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs in the State System of Higher Education for the state of Pennsylvania, and after serving at Edinboro University for more than 15 years in various capacities has the status as *Administrator Emeritus* from Edinboro University. He has served on numerous state and national committees and is a recognized authority on assessment and strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kerstetter received his B.A. degree from Bucknell University, his M.Ed. from the University of Delaware and his Ph.D. from Gallaudet College. He is married to Mary Johnson Kerstetter; they have two adult children: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Kansas Wesleyan University upon its giving of 117 years of higher education to the citizens of this state and welcome Dr. Kerstetter as its 17th president; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide two enrolled copies of this resolution to RaShelle Hindman, Director of Public Relations, Kansas Wesleyan University, 100 East Claflin, Salina, KS 67401.

Senate Resolution No. 1811 was sponsored by Senator Pete Brungardt.

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.*