

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1829

A RESOLUTION celebrating Liberty Day.

WHEREAS, March 16 has been recognized by the United States Congress as a national, annual celebration called Liberty Day. Liberty Day is a nonpartisan, volunteer project of service club members throughout our nation, and is an officially approved, sanctioned project of the Lions Clubs of Kansas. March 16 was selected as the date to celebrate this event as it is the birthday of James Madison, our fourth president and the major author of the Virginia plan—the model and basis for the United States Constitution, which document replaced the ineffective Articles of Confederation as the basis of our form of national government; and

WHEREAS, Our rights and liberties are rooted in the cherished documents that gave birth to our nation, those being the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution with its Bill of Rights, and those documents set forth the principles upon which our government is based; and

WHEREAS, We as Americans enjoy our freedom and the rule of law through the documents that our founding fathers created; and

WHEREAS, The core principles embodied in the foundational documents that define the United States system of government form a common bond to unite the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Informed and participative citizens exhibit that responsibility and civic competence which will ensure the preservation of our form of constitutional self-government; and

WHEREAS, The civic culture that defines the United States can be sustained as long as each generation develops a deep understanding and commitment to the principles of our founding documents; and

WHEREAS, Liberty Day provides an opportunity for our citizens to realize the achievements of our founding fathers and the rights, privileges and responsibilities they secured for themselves and for posterity: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That the Senate recognizes March 16 as Liberty Day and encourages our citizens to take an active part in the celebration of this day; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide five copies of this resolution to Bobby Duvall, 4520 SE Croco Road, Berryton, KS 66409.

Senate Resolution No. 1829 was sponsored by Senators Hensley, Adkins, Allen, Barnett, Barone, Brownlee, Brungardt, Buhler, Bunten, Clark, Corbin, Donovan, Downey, Emler, Feleciano, Gilstrap, Gooch, Goodwin, Haley, Harrington, Huelkamp, Jackson, Jordan, Kerr, Lee, Lyon, Morris, O'Connor, Oleen, 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.*