

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1830

A RESOLUTION honoring all veterans from Kansas who served during the Korean War.

WHEREAS, Americans across this great nation are honoring veterans of the Korean War who served and fought so bravely 50 years ago. Various citizens of Kansas are commemorating the service of Kansans who fought in this war through organizations and committees such as the Heartland Heroes, 50th Anniversary Korean War Commemoration Committee; and

WHEREAS, Veterans of the many campaigns from this war battled some of the bloodiest and horrific combat this nation ever fought. This war, with the United States of America serving as the lead nation for the first United Nations military action, was fought from June of 1950 until July 1953. Battles raged from the moment communist forces invaded South Korea and legendary actions occurred such as the heroic delaying actions of Task Force Smith, the Inchon Landing and the Pusan Perimeter Breakout. United States led coalition forces fought from the southern tip of the Korean Peninsula to the Yalu River border with China; and

WHEREAS, Many great Kansans participated in these epic battles, and Kansas National Guard units were called to service for this war. These patriotic Kansans served with honor and valiant distinction, as epitomized by great Kansas heroes such as Master Sergeant Stanley T. Adams, United States Army, of Olathe, and Corporal Jack A. Davenport, United States Marine Corps, of Mission, who were awarded the Medal of Honor for gallant service during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, 50th anniversary commemoration events will culminate this July, 50 years after the cease fire that ended most direct-action hostilities on the Korean Peninsula. A state of war still exists in Korea, but through the stubborn and defiant efforts of soldiers, marines, airmen and sailors—many from Kansas—the cease-fire has been observed for these 50 years. This war, often dubbed “the forgotten war” because it happened so close to the end of World War II, shall not be forgotten, nor shall the efforts and heroism of the many brave veterans from Kansas who fought, died and were wounded to further America’s values and freedom for the people of South Korea: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we honor our Kansas Korean War veterans upon this 50th anniversary of the Korean War and encourage the citizens of Kansas to study, learn and honor the service of these veterans; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Heartland Heroes, 50th Anniversary Korean War Commemoration Committee, and five copies to Senator Ed Pugh.

Senate Resolution No. 1830 was sponsored by Senators Pugh, Adkins, Allen, Barnett, Barone, Brownlee, Brungardt, Buhler, Bunten, Clark, Corbin, Donovan, Downey, Emler, Feleciano, Gilstrap, Gooch, Goodwin, Haley, Harrington, Hensley, Huelskamp, Jackson, Jordan, Kerr, Lee, Lyon, Morris, O’Connor, Oleen, Salmans, Schmidt, Schoendorf, 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.*