

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1831

A RESOLUTION expressing our appreciation for our armed forces by observing March 19 as Armed Forces Appreciation Day.

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas recognizes the significant impact of the armed forces on the State's history and its continued economic and social contributions to the benefit of the State of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas has a long and proud history of military service in time of peace and in time of war, having proudly given its sons and daughters into the service of the nation; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas is currently sending numerous guardsmen, reservists and active duty military personnel to support the war on terrorism through Operations Enduring Freedom and Noble Eagle; and

WHEREAS, Guardsmen, reservists and active duty personnel from Kansas are also, at the same time, supporting other operations, such as NATO peacekeeping in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo, Operations Northern and Southern Watch over Iraq, and numerous other events around the world; and

WHEREAS, Many family members of military personnel remain in Kansas where they contribute to the social, political and economic welfare of the State; and

WHEREAS, The activities of individuals and units based in the State of Kansas have brought national and international recognition to Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The various armed forces installations have a significant economic impact on the State, providing jobs and income to thousands of Kansas citizens; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas has established the Governor's Military Affairs Coordinating Council to facilitate statewide activities in support of the various branches of the armed forces located in Kansas; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the State to foster close and effective cooperation among the various military installations, state and local governments and the private sector to facilitate the enhancement and continued strengthening of these facilities: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we express our appreciation for those serving in the armed forces of our nation by observing March 19 as Armed Forces Appreciation Day.

Senate Resolution No. 1831 was sponsored by Senators Oleen, Pugh, Adkins, Allen, Barnett, Barone, Brownlee, Brungardt, Buhler, Buntten, Clark, Corbin, Donovan, Downey, Emler, Feleciano, Gilstrap, Gooch, Goodwin, Haley, Harrington, Hensley, Huelskamp, Jackson, Jordan, Kerr, Lee, Lyon, Morris, O'Connor, 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.*