

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1852

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Ringneck Ranch.

WHEREAS, The Ringneck Ranch, Inc., operated by Keith and Debra Houghton of rural Tipton, will celebrate its 20th anniversary this year. The Houghtons provide traditional field hunts of upland game bird species native to North Central Kansas. While ringneck pheasant is the normal quarry, the Houghtons also provide hunting for quail and greater prairie chicken. They offer hunts from mid-October through March. The ranch sits isolated in a pristine prairie valley which has been home to some of the most respected men and women in the state. The cattle and farming operations therein were long-time benchmarks for their industries. The same can be said for the modern day hunting offered there; and

WHEREAS, The Ringneck Ranch hunting operation covers nearly 10,000 pristine acres of the finest native pheasant, bobwhite quail and prairie chicken habitat in Kansas. While the ranch can accommodate 38 guests at one time, hunting parties are divided into small groups of six or less. Each hunting group is accompanied by an experienced local guide who also functions as the dog handler for the hunting party. Guests are provided with transportation to and from the ranch, sleeping accommodations and meals that can best be described as "country gourmet" when not in the field. Only one word describes an establishment that can make strangers feel so comfortable, happy and at home -- and that word is quality: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Ringneck Ranch upon providing 20 years of quality service to satisfied hunters; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Houghton, H.C. 61, Box 7, Tipton, KS 67485.

Senate Resolution No. 1852 was sponsored by Senator Janis K. Lee.

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.*