

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6014

A RESOLUTION in memory of Duane S. "Pete" McGill.

WHEREAS, Duane S. "Pete" McGill, former Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives, passed away Sunday, December 21, 2003, at the Menorah Medical Center in Overland Park. He was 81 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill served in the Kansas House of Representatives from 1961 to 1976, except for 1965-1966, and was the Speaker of the House of Representatives from 1973-1976; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill was born in Grandview, Iowa, and attended Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. In 1940 he enlisted in the United States Army, and after serving in the Pacific theater of operations was honorably discharged in 1945. Subsequently, he completed a baccalaureate degree at Southwestern College in Winfield and attended a graduate program at the University of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill owned and operated several retail businesses in Winfield prior to commencing his political career. From 1978 to 1980 he was Chairman of the Kansas Turnpike Authority and later founded his own lobbying firm, Pete McGill and Associates, which became the largest independent lobbying organization in the Midwest. He served as a delegate to the Republican National Convention five times and was the state chairman for the presidential campaigns of Ronald Reagan and George Bush; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGill is survived by a son, Scott McGill; a daughter, Pam Shernuk; and three grandchildren, Brianna McGill, Andrew Shernuk and Kyle Shernuk: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:* That we extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Duane S. "Pete" McGill and express our appreciation of the selfless service he gave to the State of Kansas.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*