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## **House Concurrent Resolution No. 5011**

By Committee on Health and Human Services

9 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION expressing the Legislature's recognition and appreciation for family caregivers throughout the state. 10 11 12WHEREAS, The majority of community-based and home-based serv-13 ices are provided by family members; and WHEREAS, A growing number of grandparents are carrying out the 1415 role of primary caregiver for their grandchildren; and WHEREAS, An increasing number of adult children, spouses and 16other family members are caring for a growing number of frail elders and 17permanently disabled persons; and 1819WHEREAS, These caregivers are devoted individuals who often as-20sume responsibilities for several generations of family members; and 21WHEREAS, Many of these caregivers hold full-time jobs in addition 22 to their caregiving responsibilities; and 23 WHEREAS, Caregiving is frequently physically demanding and emotionally draining, affecting the health of the caregiver; and 24 WHEREAS, These caregivers are, themselves, in need of supportive 2526 services: and 27 WHEREAS, These caregiving services are of inestimable value, the 28cost of which is beyond the ability of the state to fund: NOW, therefore, 29 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring therein: That the Legislature expresses its rec-30 ognition and appreciation of Kansas' family caregivers and extends such 3132 recognition and appreciation to them. Be it further resolved: That copies of this resolution be transmitted 33 34 to family caregivers throughout the state via the State department on 35 aging's family caregiver support programs. Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State is directed to send 36 37 an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Secretary of Aging.