## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6003

## A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending John Potter as he departs for military service in Iraq.

WHEREAS, John Potter, the Chief of Staff for the Speaker of the House of Representatives, is leaving his position on January 13 to commence a tour of active military service in Iraq as a chaplain; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potter is from Columbus and graduated in 1997 from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in political science; and

WHEREAS, He commenced state service in 1996 as an intern in Speaker Shallenburger's office. After becoming a full-time employee in 1998 he worked for Representative Mays while Representative Mays was the Speaker Pro Tem. When Representative Mays became the Speaker of the House of Representatives in 2002 he assumed his current duties as Chief of Staff for the Speaker; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Potter has been a masterful and competent director of the speaker's office, tending to the day-to-day operations of the office and providing needed information and assistance to the speaker and the majority party as the political process evolves: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend John Potter for his exemplary service to the state of Kansas for the past ten years and particularly while performing services as the Chief of Staff to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. His willing spirit and devotion to the speaker will be sorely missed. We give him our best wishes as he assumes his new duties and pray for his safe return.

House Resolution No. 6003 was sponsored by Representative Mays.

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

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.