## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6010

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Kansas Pork Association on its 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, In 1956 a small group of pork producers held the first meeting of the Kansas Swine Improvement Association. Their purpose was to work together to make their businesses more profitable while keeping the swine industry healthy and flourishing statewide. Fifty years later the Kansas Pork Association works everyday to achieve the same goals; and

WHEREAS, There are 1,500 hog farms in Kansas. Of these producers, 310 provide 95% of the state's pork production. Kansas is the number 9 state in hog and pig inventory and produces about 2.7% of the nation's total. In 2005 Kansas producers sold 3,047,022 market hogs, feeder pigs and seed-stock with a gross market value of \$402,596,058. These hogs produced over 450 million pounds of pork which helped feed nearly 10 million people; and

WHEREAS, The pork industry is important to the Kansas economy. In addition to the sale of pork products, the industry consumes over 34 million bushels of grain. Primarily this involves Kansas grown milo but with significant amounts of corn and soybeans costing about \$145 million for feed grains: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend the Kansas Pork Association for 50 years of leadership in the production of "Pork The Other White Meat" for American consumers; and

Be it further resolved: That the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Tim Stroda, President, Kansas Pork Association, 2601 Farm Bureau Road, Manhattan, KS 66502.

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.