

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1809

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 seedstock 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 Senate 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 Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Tim Stroda, President, Kansas Pork Association, 2601 Farm Bureau Road, Manhattan, KS 66502.

Senate Resolution No. 1809 was sponsored by Committee on Agriculture.

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

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.