HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6030

A RESOLUTION honoring Janet E. Jones for her 34 dedicated years of public service to the Kansas House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, Janet E. Jones, the Chief Clerk of the Kansas House of Representatives, was born in Courtland, Kansas, and graduated from Courtland High School and Kansas State University with majors in history and English; and

WHEREAS, In 1975, Janet E. Jones was hired to work as the Reading Clerk for the Kansas House of Representatives, a position she held for two years before she worked as the Chief Journal Clerk from 1977 through 1988; and

WHEREAS, Janet E. Jones continued to support the Legislature when she worked in the Office of the Revisor of Statutes as a proofreader from 1977 through 1984; and

WHEREAS, In 1988, James D. Braden, the Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives, appointed Janet E. Jones as Chief Clerk to serve under the Speaker's direction, a position she has served dutifully from her first full session in 1989 to the present time; and

WHEREAS, The National Conference of State Legislatures awards Legislative Staff Achievement Awards annually to individual legislative staff members that have demonstrated excellence in supporting the work of a state legislature and strengthening the legislative institution, and Janet E. Jones was honored with a Legislative Staff Achievement Award, awarded to her by the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries and presented at the annual meeting in Chicago in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Janet E. Jones has represented Kansas nationally by serving in several leadership positions for the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure as Chief Clerk, Janet E. Jones has worked with eight Speakers of the Kansas House of Representatives, including Representatives James D. Braden, Marvin Wm. Barkis, Tim Shallenburger, Robin Jennison, Kent Glasscock, Doug Mays and Melvin Neufeld; and

WHEREAS, Since Janet E. Jones began working for the Legislature as Reading Clerk in 1975, she has worked with nearly 600 different representatives of the Kansas House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, After 34 years of working for the Kansas House of Representatives in various capacities, Janet E. Jones plans to retire from the Kansas House of Representatives in December 2008: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we honor Janet E. Jones for her professional accomplishments, thank her for her contribution of 34 dedicated years of public service given to the State of Kansas and wish her continued success in all her future endeavors.

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.