SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1804

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the 2008 "If I Were Mayor" youth essay contest winners.

WHEREAS, The "If I Were Mayor" youth essay contest sponsored by the League of Kansas Municipalities asks seventh grade students from across Kansas to explain what they would do if they were mayor of their city; and

WHEREAS, This contest is an exciting opportunity for seventh grade students to think about how they would improve their communities and in the process learn more about local government; and

WHEREAS, Over 1,000 students participated in the contest, representing nearly 100 cities; and

WHEREAS, Entries were judged according to creativity, clarity, sincerity of thought and proper use of grammar; and

WHEREAS, Six regional winners were selected, with one of those regional winners selected as the statewide winner; and

WHEREAS, The statewide and southwest regional winner of the 2008 "If I Were Mayor" youth essay contest is Nicole Brauer who attends Spearville Middle School; and

WHEREAS, The regional winners of the 2008 "If I Were Mayor" youth essay contest are: Emma Barnett (south central regional winner) who attends Hutchinson Middle School; David Crawford (north central regional winner) who attends Ruppenthal Middle School in Russell; Shelby Gardner (northwest regional winner) who attends Colby Middle School; Mariza Hernandez (northeast regional winner) who attends Resurrection School at the Cathedral in Kansas City; and Brad Stevens (southeast regional winner) who attends Augusta Middle School: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend the six regional winners of the 2008 "If I Were Mayor" youth essay contest and statewide winner Nicole Brauer.

Senate Resolution No. 1804 was sponsored by Senators Huelskamp, Bruce, Lee, Ostmeyer, Palmer and Steineger.

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.