

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1725

**A RESOLUTION recognizing and acknowledging the contributions of
Altrusa International in Salina.**

WHEREAS, Altrusa International, which was founded in 1917 to make communities better through leadership, partnership and service, proudly moves forward into the 21st century with the tagline of "Leading to a Better Community"; and

WHEREAS, The history of Altrusa is a remarkable tale of a pioneering organization for businesswomen that became the first women's classified service club. Altrusa later adjusted to the changing times and opened membership to all regardless of gender; and

WHEREAS, The Altrusa emblem displays the words "Patriotism, Efficiency, Service" encircling the western hemisphere, and serves as a subtle reminder of expected performance. In defining "patriotism," the founders directed each Altrusan to "be good citizens of the world." It was a courageous stand in a time of isolationist thinking; and

WHEREAS, Altrusa first organized a service club in Salina in 1943. That club was chartered in 1944, and is now known as Altrusa International of Salina, KS, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The Salina club is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, In its 75 years, Altrusa International of Salina, KS, Inc., has performed many hours of service for Salina, and continues to efficiently provide community service, especially in the area of literacy: Now, therefore,

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we recognize and acknowledge the extensive and continuous work accomplished in our state by Altrusa International of Salina, KS, Inc. for the past 75 years; and**

***Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to Senator Hardy.**

Senate Resolution No. 1725 was sponsored by Senator Randall Hardy.

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.