

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1603

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the President of the United States to consider current geopolitical tensions and support policies to ensure America's long-term energy affordability, security, leadership and progress.

WHEREAS, On February 24, 2022, Russia began a full-scale invasion of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, The ramifications of this invasion have rippled across the world, leaving economic uncertainty in its wake; and

WHEREAS, The world looks to the United States for energy leadership and stability as the current geopolitical events continue to pose economic disruptions at a time when inflation continues to adversely affect households worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Energy independence and national security should be a priority, as nothing is more essential to economic growth than reliable, affordable and abundant energy; and

WHEREAS, Punitive, unnecessary and burdensome regulations on small businesses in the oil and gas industry hinders progress toward energy independence; and

WHEREAS, America must take a stand and immediately stop importing all oil, gas and biofuels from our country's adversaries: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein: That we urge President Biden to reject unscientific environmental mandates that restrict domestic energy production and raise costs for American families; and

Be it further resolved: That we urge the President of the United States to consider current geopolitical tensions and support policies that ensure America's long-term energy affordability, security, leadership and progress, including actions to increase investment in domestic refineries and natural gas production; and

Be it further resolved: That we urge the President of the United States to expand domestic energy production and ensure energy reliability and affordability for consumers by cutting through the bureaucratic red tape purposefully hampering the building of energy infrastructure, especially pipelines; and

Be it further resolved: That we urge the President of the United States to reevaluate energy policies that have curtailed domestic production of oil and natural gas; and

Be it further resolved: That we urge the President of the United States to utilize our nation's abundant natural resources and relationships with energy-producing allies as leverage against a Russian regime that is intent on disrupting world peace and threatening global stability; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the President of the United States Joseph R. Biden and three enrolled copies to Senators Billinger and Fagg and to Representatives Delperdang, Turner and Ohaebosim.

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

SENATE concurred in HOUSE amendments _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

Adopted by the HOUSE as amended _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.