

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6031

A RESOLUTION celebrating the 10th anniversary of Kansas' bilateral relationship with the Republic of Armenia.

WHEREAS, This year the State of Kansas and the Republic of Armenia are celebrating the 10th anniversary of the bilateral relationship established in 2003; and

WHEREAS, The National Guard State Partnership Program links U.S. states with partner countries for the purpose of supporting the security cooperation objectives of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The program's goals reflect an evolving international affairs mission for the National Guard using the unique civil-military nature to interact with both active and reserve forces of foreign countries; and

WHEREAS, Over 125 engagements have occurred and 350 military members have traveled between Kansas and Armenia since the partnership began; and

WHEREAS, Kansas and Armenia have expanded beyond a military relationship to include relationships and engagements between Kansas agencies and law enforcement entities and their counterparts within the Armenian government; and

WHEREAS, This partnership takes advantage of the unique attributes of America's citizen-soldiers to promote political, economic and social development: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:* That we celebrate the 10th anniversary of Kansas' bilateral relationship with the Republic of Armenia. This has been a great partnership for the State of Kansas, and we are excited for its future success.

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

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*