

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1771

A RESOLUTION recognizing the patriotism and contributions of Veterans Service Organizations and families of veterans.

WHEREAS, Tens of millions of Americans have served in the United States Armed Forces during the past century; and

WHEREAS, Kansas is home to more than 200,000 veterans; and

WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion and other Veterans Service Organizations, through local posts, provide a host of invaluable services to veterans across the United States, including benefits assistance, career services, financial assistance, homeless outreach and supporting services; and

WHEREAS, Along with Veterans Service Organizations, the family members of veterans are the bedrock of support and strength for our nation's Armed Forces and bear the most immediate and profound burden of the absence of their loved ones during the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, Various Veterans Service Organizations support veterans with behavioral health challenges and help them develop stronger connections with behavioral health providers, health care providers, employment assistance providers, institutions of higher learning, the judicial system, social services providers, local businesses and the broader community as a whole: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we proudly recognize and honor families of our service members who, through their love, support, patriotism and countless contributions, also help ensure our continued freedom, liberty and way of life; and

Be it further resolved: That we recognize Veterans Service Organizations and the families of veterans as valuable resources to our state, and essential to the smooth transition and integration of veterans into our communities; and

Be it further resolved: That we stand in humble respect of the sacrifices made by Veterans Service Organizations and military families.

Senate Resolution No. 1771 was sponsored by Senator Ralph Ostmeyer.

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.