

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6031

A RESOLUTION supporting the strengthening of Kansas' trade partnership with Ireland to create a more prosperous future for all.

WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 11.3% of Kansas' population is of Irish ancestry, compared to the national average of 9.7%; and

WHEREAS, Irish immigrants in the United States helped form the cultural foundation of the nation; and

WHEREAS, The ties that bind Ireland and Kansas are deep and lasting; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to those close ties, both Kansas and Ireland have benefited from deep and extensive cultural and commercial exchanges; and

WHEREAS, Ireland currently ranks 38th on Kansas exports, illustrating a need to create a stronger trade partnership. Although the work may be difficult, it surely will be worthwhile; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of Kansas and Ireland to support efforts to strengthen their relationship: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we support the strengthening of Kansas' trade partnership with Ireland to create a more prosperous future for all; and

Be it further resolved: That we recognize the deputy chairman of the Irish Senate, Mark Daly, for his efforts to promote trade with Kansas and his support of an Irish-Kansas trade commission.

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

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.