

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1746

A RESOLUTION designating October 14, 2015, as Eisenhower Day and encouraging the state-wide celebration of Dwight D. Eisenhower's 125<sup>th</sup> birthday.

WHEREAS, Dwight D. Eisenhower, whose hometown and final resting place is Abilene, Kansas, is a pivotal figure in American history and an embodiment of the American Ideal. He served as President of the United States of America from 1953 to 1961; and

WHEREAS, Dwight David Eisenhower, reared in Kansas, was the Supreme Commander who led the Allied Expeditionary Force to Victory in World War II and laid the foundations for postwar America; and

WHEREAS, During his distinguished career as General of the Army and as President, Dwight D. Eisenhower's vision of peace, prosperity and justice in the world, of balance in government, and integrity in personal conduct set a timeless model for leadership; and

WHEREAS, The recognition of Dwight D. Eisenhower's character, values and diligent pursuit of a purposeful life can serve as inspiration to the young people of Kansas and to all citizens of Kansas and of the United States; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas desires to preserve, honor and champion the relevance today of the life and leadership of Dwight D. Eisenhower and to keep his inspiration and legacy alive; and

WHEREAS, Dwight D. Eisenhower's hometown of Abilene, Kansas, will commemorate his 125<sup>th</sup> birthday with the groundbreaking of a new Eisenhower Elementary School: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That October 14, 2015, is designated Eisenhower Day, commemorating Dwight D. Eisenhower's birthday; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the legislature encourages the schools of Kansas to participate in IKE Education programs at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library, Museum and Boyhood Home which provide innovative educational opportunities for the young people of Kansas to learn about the life and times of Dwight D. Eisenhower. The legislature further encourages the citizens of Kansas to show support for Dwight D. Eisenhower by visiting the Eisenhower Presidential Center in Abilene, Kansas, purchasing the newly minted "I Like Ike" Kansas license plate and supporting the campaign to renovate the Eisenhower Presidential Museum in Abilene, Kansas; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Tom Arpke.

Senate Resolution No. 1746 was sponsored by Senators Arpke, Abrams, Baumgardner, Bowers, Bruce, Denning, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Fitzgerald, Francisco, Haley, Hawk, Hensley, Holland, Holmes, Kelly, Kerschen, King, Knox, LaTurner, Longbine, Love, Lynn, Masterson, McGinn, Melcher, O'Donnell, Olson, Ostmeyer, Petersen, Pettey, Pilcher-Cook, Powell, Pyle, Schmidt, Smith, Tyson, Wagle, Wilborn and Wolf.

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

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*