

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5006

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION in memory of James L. Allen.

WHEREAS, James L. Allen, 68, a former member of the Kansas House of Representatives and Kansas Senate, died Monday, January 20, 2003, at a Topeka hospital; and

WHEREAS, James L. Allen was born March 22, 1934, in Ottawa, to Leonard and Margaret Kesting Allen and spent his early life in Ottawa. He graduated from Ottawa High School in 1952 and attended Kansas State University. Subsequently, he was a dairy farmer near Ottawa for many years; and

WHEREAS, James L. Allen was elected to the Kansas House of Representatives in 1979 and to the Kansas Senate in 1981. He served 11 years before he became a lobbyist and established the firm Jim Allen Associates in Topeka; and

WHEREAS, In the Senate he served as the chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture, as vice-chairperson for the Committee on Local Government, and as a member of the Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations, Education, Legislative Educational Planning, Organization, Calendar and Rules and Ways and Means; and

WHEREAS, James L. Allen was a member of First Baptist Church in Ottawa for many years and had served as a trustee. He was a member of the Ottawa Rotary Club, having maintained perfect attendance at meetings for more than 35 years. He formerly was active in Boy Scouts of America, and had been a 4-H Club leader and a school board member. He coached a baseball team for several years and was a long time fan of the New York Yankees baseball team.

WHEREAS, James L. Allen married Carol Schaben on December 26, 1954; she survives. Other survivors include three sons, Roger Allen, Chicago, Michael "Mickey" Allen, Ottawa, and Kevin Allen, Houston; a daughter, Elaine Morris, Ottawa; and six grandchildren; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring therein: That we honor the public service James L. Allen gave to his community and the state of Kansas and extend our deepest sympathy to the family of James L. Allen.

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

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Adopted by the SENATE _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.