

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1611

By Senator Huelskamp

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9 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Congress to make the re-
10 peal of the death tax permanent.

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12 WHEREAS, Under tax relief legislation passed in 2001, by the United
13 States congress, the federal estate tax, often referred to as the death tax,
14 was temporarily phased out but not permanently eliminated; and

15 WHEREAS, Farmers and other small business owners will face losing
16 their farms and businesses if the federal government resumes the heavy
17 taxation of citizens at death; and

18 WHEREAS, This is a tax that is particularly damaging to families who
19 are working their way up the ladder and trying accumulate wealth for the
20 first time; and

21 WHEREAS, Employees suffer layoffs when small and medium busi-
22 nesses are liquidated to pay death taxes; and

23 WHEREAS, If the death tax had been repealed in 1996, the United
24 States economy would have realized billions of dollars each year extra
25 output and an average of 145,000 additional new jobs would have been
26 created; and

27 WHEREAS, Having repeatedly passed in the United States House of
28 Representatives and Senate, repeal of the death tax holds wide bipartisan
29 support: Now, therefore,

30 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Rep-*
31 *resentatives concurring therein:* That the Senate of the State of Kansas
32 requests our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States
33 Congress support, work to pass and vote for the immediate and perma-
34 nent repeal of the death tax;

35 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State is directed to send
36 enrolled copies of this resolution to each member of the Kansas Con-
37 gressional Delegation.