

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1827

A RESOLUTION in support of the Inge Center for the Arts' rural arts initiative.

WHEREAS, The William Inge Festival Foundation was incorporated October 6, 1992, to support the activities of the William Inge Theatre Festival in Independence, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the William Inge Center for the Arts is to nurture, celebrate and promote the achievements of playwrights, playwriting and the American theatre, in order to educate, entertain and culturally enrich the communities of Kansas, the region and beyond; and

WHEREAS, The Inge Center for the Arts and the William Inge Theatre Festival have served the arts and arts education communities of Independence, Kansas, and the surrounding area for 25 years. The newly-founded center promotes the life work of native son William Inge, and as an extension of that life work, the efforts of American playwrights, directors, designers, performers, teaching artists and arts educators. The community has benefited from many programs, workshops and productions annually, produced by the festival and the center; and

WHEREAS, As part of its rural arts initiative, the Inge Center for the Arts sponsors teaching artists and arts education in the public sector, and promotes arts in education programs for area teachers and teaching artists. The Inge Center for the Arts is a loyal and proud advocate for the state of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, The state of Kansas is in support of the educational advancements and personal growth proven in students of the arts: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we commend the work of the Inge Center's rural arts initiative as a positive and important program in Kansas public schools.

Senate Resolution No. 1827 was sponsored by Senator Derek Schmidt.

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.*