HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6027

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Tiffany Nickel for being named Ms. Wheelchair Kansas 2010.

WHEREAS, Tiffany Nickel of Bel Aire was crowned Ms. Wheelchair Kansas on Sunday, March 14, 2010 at the culmination of the three-day event in Topeka. As Ms. Wheelchair Kansas, Tiffany Nickel will serve as a role model and spokesperson for people with disabilities by appearing at public events and meetings throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Emporia State University in 1995, and is an inter-related intermediate special education teacher in Wichita Public Schools, where she has taught for the past 10 years. She is also the Executive Director of the Kansas Disability Coalition, Inc. and is involved with many additional volunteer activities and is the President of Wheelchair Sports, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The contest seeks to empower participants through enhanced self-awareness and confidence, to educate the public and to advocate for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany will advance to the national Ms. Wheelchair America program to be held in August in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The Ms. Wheelchair America program was created in 1972, and this is the seventh year that Kansas will be represented at the national competition; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany has shown incredible determination in her life, proving to others that people with disabilities have tremendous abilities. She believes that, "anything is possible as long as you have a support system, as well as a great set of tires and a charged battery": Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Tiffany Nickel for being named Ms. Wheelchair Kansas 2010 and exhibiting all the strength and character that serve to make her a wonderful role model, not only for people with disabilities and those who are wheelchair mobile, but to all Kansans. The members of the Kansas House of Representatives are happy to share in the pride of her family and friends and extend our best wishes for her continued success and happiness.

House Resolution No. 6027 was sponsored by Representative Steve Brunk.

I hereby certify that the above Resolution originated in the House, and was adopted by that body $\,$

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 	Speaker of the House.
	Chief Clerk of the House