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House Concurrent Resolution No. 5026

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION supporting the federal AM Radio for 1 Every Vehicle Act and urging for the inclusion of AM radio in 2 3 vehicles 4 5 WHEREAS, The state of Kansas recognizes the longstanding tradition 6 and importance of AM radio in providing essential information, 7 entertainment and emergency alerts to citizens nationwide; and WHEREAS, The federal AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act, introduced as 8 Senate Bill 1669 during the 118th Congress, underscores the 9 significance of AM radio in ensuring that everyone has access to 10 diverse content, including, but not limited to, news, weather, 11 agricultural updates, emergency preparedness and the promotion of 12 13 public safety; and WHEREAS, Kansas residents, especially those in rural communities 14 where access to alternative media sources may be limited, depend on 15 AM radio for these types of essential information; and 16 17 WHEREAS, The Kansas agriculture industry plays a crucial role in the 18 state's economy, and AM radio serves as its primary source for 19 agricultural news, market reports and weather updates, thus a major 20 contributor to the growth, stability and resilience of this vital economic sector; and 21 22 WHEREAS. The inclusion of AM radio in vehicles is indispensable for 23 the continued provision of vital information to rural residents and the 24 agriculture industry and for the cultural and historical preservation of 25 the medium that has been a reliable companion to drivers for decades: Now, therefore. 26 27 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the* Senate concurring therein: That we support the federal AM Radio for 28 Every Vehicle Act and recognize the importance of maintaining access 29 to AM radio in vehicles nationwide; and 30 Be it further resolved: That we emphasize the critical role of AM radio in 31 32 serving the informational needs of rural communities, supporting the 33 agriculture industry and enhancing emergency preparedness; and

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- *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the federal government to ensure continued accessibility to AM radio in vehicles through the passage of the AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act and policies that maintain its crucial role; and
- *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send enrolled copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, Vice President, Speaker of the House of Representatives and Senate President and each member of the Kansas Congressional Delegation.