SENATE RESOLUTION NO.

By Senator Apple

A RESOLUTION congratulating Bob Koechner on receiving the community service award from the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

WHEREAS, Bob Koechner was awarded the community service award from the Three Trails West Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution on February 14, 2013, for his continued commitment to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koechner worked tirelessly with others to attain running water as a public utility in the Stilwell community by petitioning and recruiting subscribers to help with the cost of construction. He also helped organize a Volunteer Fire Department for Aubry Township, bringing multiple generations of people together to help maintain the safety of the Stilwell community. Along with his wife, Marjorie, Mr. Koechner helped organize many events for the community throughout the year, including the 4th of July Celebration; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koechner bravely served his country in both World War II and the Korean Conflict. In addition, Mr. Koechner has been very active in his community church, Queen of the Holy Rosary in Wea, Kansas, helping however he can, from giving financial support to aiding with construction; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Koechner and his family have continued to manage the Stilwell Oil Company, the oldest business in Stilwell, providing fuels and oils to Stilwell for three generations: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Mr. Bob Koechner for receiving the community service award from the Three Trails West Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and exhibiting the character and commitment it takes to serve his community daily with a smile on his face. Mr. Koechner serves as a role model not only to the citizens of Stilwell, but to all Kansans, and it is our pleasure to recognize him for this accomplishment. We wish him and his family continued happiness and success; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide five enrolled copies of this resolution to Bob Koechner.