SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1784

A RESOLUTION commemorating the 230th Anniversary of the Ratification of the Treaty of Paris and recognizing the Wyandot Chapter of the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution for preserving American history.

WHEREAS, On January 14, 1784, the United States ratified the treaty with England, known as the Treaty of Paris, ending the Revolutionary War. Negotiations for peace with England began in 1782, and the Treaty of Paris was signed on September 3, 1782. Benjamin Franklin, John Jay, Henry Laurens and John Adams were members of the American negotiation team, known as the American Peace Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, The Wyandot Chapter of the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution was founded on October 29, 1953, and currently has over 50 members. The Wyandot Chapter was named in honor of the Wyandot Indians who settled in Kansas City, Kansas. The chapter celebrated its 60th Diamond Jubilee on October 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution began to preserve Kansas history in 1902 by placing markers along the part of the Santa Fe Trail that runs through Kansas. Today, the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution preserve Kansas and American history by presenting programs on historical figures, including Lewis and Clark and their expedition in Kansas, Benjamin Franklin and Tecumseh, a Native American leader of the Shawnee Nation; and

WHEREAS, The National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution works hard to sustain the heritage of the United States. As a volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, they strive to preserve American history and secure America's future through better education for children; and

WHEREAS, Members of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution honor their commitment to the United States by reading the American's Creed at each meeting: "I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a Republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and defend it against all enemies;" and

WHEREAS, Commemorating the anniversary of the ratification of the Treaty of Paris is important to promote patriotism in Kansas, preserve American history and educate Kansas children about the Revolutionary War: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we commemorate the 230th Anniversary of the ratification of the Treaty of Paris and recognize the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution for preserving American history; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to Carolyn Clyde Dolan, Regent; Terry Allen, Vice-Regent; Patricia Gates, Recording Secretary; Barb Belt, Corresponding Secretary; and Barbara Sass, Registrar.

Senate Resolution No. 1784 was sponsored by Senators Smith, Arpke, Love, Petersen and Wolf.

I hereby certify that the above Resolution originated in the Senate, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.