SENATE BILL No. 443

By Senators Haley, Abrams, Arpke, Baumgardner, Bowers, Bruce, Denning, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Fitzgerald, Francisco, Hawk, Hensley, Holland, Holmes, Kelly, Kerschen, King, Knox, LaTurner, Longbine, Love, Lynn, Masterson, McGinn, Melcher, O'Donnell, Olson, Ostmeyer, Petersen, Pettey, Pilcher-Cook, Powell, Pyle, V. Schmidt, Smith, Tyson, Wagle, Wilborn and Wolf

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AN ACT declaring the cage elevator in the Kansas state capitol building as the official cage elevator of the state of Kansas.

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WHEREAS, It is critical that historical items of lasting interest are preserved; and

WHEREAS, There is a critical age for objects that are considered outdated but are not yet rare enough to be considered worthy of preservation; and

WHEREAS, Generations to follow will live with regret if such items are destroyed for all time; and

WHEREAS, School children may be observed daily studying closely and understanding clearly the mechanical operation of this passenger elevator in a way beyond the ability of books to describe; and

WHEREAS, Kansas is unique in many ways, the heart of the nation, the crossroads of the continent, born out of a struggle for human freedom; and

WHEREAS, No one can criticize this state for any lag in mechanical advances since many of the planes for the world come from the plains of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, In years to come, visitors to the Kansas state capitol building will express appreciation that this passenger elevator with its openness was preserved in operating condition.

Now, therefore:

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. The cage elevator located in the Kansas state capitol building is hereby designated the official cage elevator for the state of Kansas. The cage elevator, installed in 1923, shall be maintained in operating condition for the enjoyment of state officials, workers and visitors to the Kansas state capitol building.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.