

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5032

By Representatives Ryckman, Hawkins, Finch and Sawyer

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the commitment and
2 resilience of the Ukrainian people fighting against the Russian
3 invasion.

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5 WHEREAS, Ukraine is a free, democratic, independent and sovereign
6 nation with its own distinctive culture and language; and

7 WHEREAS, Many of the pioneers who settled in the state of Kansas
8 came from the land that is now Ukraine, creating a special bond
9 between this state and that country; and

10 WHEREAS, In 2014, Russian armed forces and their proxies annexed
11 and occupied portions of the lands of Ukraine in violation of its
12 national sovereignty and international law; and

13 WHEREAS, On the morning of February 24, 2022, naval, air and ground
14 forces of the Russian Federation launched a premeditated and
15 unprovoked attack on the people and the nation of Ukraine with the
16 intent to subjugate and occupy a free and democratic nation; and

17 WHEREAS, Russian leadership appears to be targeting civilian homes
18 and buildings in violation of international law; and

19 WHEREAS, Numerous Russian citizens have opposed the actions of
20 their leaders and have shown courage by publicly protesting against
21 those leaders; and

22 WHEREAS, The people of Ukraine have demonstrated the role of a
23 well-armed citizenry in standing against invasion and protecting life
24 and property; and

25 WHEREAS, We honor and recognize the commitment of the Ukrainian
26 people to strengthen and protect the country's borders from invasion
27 and to fight for their homeland; and

28 WHEREAS, In Ukraine's time of need, the people of Kansas must
29 support the people of Ukraine in fighting for their nation and right to
30 exist as a separate and distinct country with its own identity and
31 independence: Now, therefore,

32 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the
33 Senate concurring therein: That we stand in solidarity with the
34 Ukrainian people and honor their commitment and resilience in
35 fighting against Russia; and

36 *Be it further resolved:* That we condemn the Russian invasion of the

1 nation of Ukraine and all attempts to establish tyranny over other
2 sovereign nations; and

3 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the United States federal
4 government, the member states of the North Atlantic Treaty
5 Organization and all freedom loving countries of the world to provide
6 aid and support to the Ukrainian people in their struggle against this
7 aggression; and

8 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send an enrolled
9 copy of this resolution to the Ukrainian and Russian ambassadors to
10 the United States, to each member of the Kansas Congressional
11 delegation and three enrolled copies to Representative Ryckman.
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