

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_

By Senators Kelly, Abrams, Apple, Bruce, Brungardt, Donovan, Emler, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hensley, Holland, Huntington, Kelsey, King, Kultala, Longbine, Love, Lynn, Marshall, Masterson, McGinn, Merrick, Morris, Olson, Ostmeyer, Owens, Petersen, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Reitz, A. Schmidt, V. Schmidt, Schodorf, Taddiken, Teichman, Umbarger, Vratil and Wagle

A RESOLUTION recognizing April as the month of the military child.

WHEREAS, Former secretary of defense, Caspar Weinberger, established April as the month of the military child in 1986; and

WHEREAS, There are more than 33,000 Kansas military children; and

WHEREAS, From a young age, military children are impacted by multiple duty station changes or the deployment of one or both parents; and

WHEREAS, Military children display remarkable adaptability as they transcend the difficult challenges of moving to new cities and attending new schools; and

WHEREAS, Military children show amazing resiliency in their ability to establish and maintain multicultural, diverse friendships with people from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, Military children develop responsibility, maturity, strength, patience and a sense of pride in helping to keep a stable family system for their younger siblings while a parent is deployed; and

WHEREAS, Military children know and experience great joy when a deployed parent returns home: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the military children of Kansas for the sacrifices they make, the challenges they overcome and the contributions they make to the culture of Kansas; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send 20 enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Kelly.