

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1832

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Marvin E. Thompson for his service as a member of the Kansas Judicial Council.

WHEREAS, Marvin E. Thompson, of Russell, retired from the Kansas Judicial Council on June 26, 2000, after 31 years of service on the Council; and

WHEREAS, Marvin E. Thompson was born in Belton, Missouri, on May 5, 1920. He graduated from Paola High School in 1938. He attended the University of Kansas where he received a B.A. in 1944 and an LL.B. in 1946. After graduation he served as law clerk to the Honorable Arthur J. Mellott, U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas, from 1946 to 1947. He then engaged in the general practice of law in LaCrosse from 1947 to 1950, and in Russell from 1950 to the present time. He has been a member of the Russell County Bar Association, the Kansas Bar Association, and the American Bar Association; he also served on the Executive Council of the Kansas Bar Association from 1959 to 1974. He was the president of the Kansas Bar Association from 1972 to 1973. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a Fellow of the Kansas Bar Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Marvin E. Thompson was a member of various Judicial Council Advisory Committees including the Care and Treatment/Guardianship and Conservatorship Advisory Committee, the Continuing Legal Education Advisory Committee, the Civil Code Advisory Committee, the Lien Law Advisory Committee, the Probate Law Advisory Committee and the Title Standards Advisory Committee. He served as Chair of the Governmental Immunity Advisory Committee from 1970 through 1973, Administrative Chair of the State Bench Bar Advisory Committee from 1973 through 1975, Chair of the Continuing Legal Education Advisory Committee from 1976 through 1978 and Chair of the Advisory Committee on Attorney Fees in 1986. He also served as Chair of the Civil Code Advisory Committee from 1975 through 1994 and Chair of the Probate Law Advisory Committee from 1997 until his retirement in 2000. Under his chairmanship, numerous codes and acts were drafted and enacted; and

WHEREAS, In addition to work by the committees on which he served and chaired, Marvin Thompson was involved in many major Council projects during his tenure such as comparison of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure with the Kansas Code of Civil Procedure, the Kansas Criminal Code, the Kansas Code of Criminal Procedure, the Kansas Code for Care of Children, the Kansas Juvenile Offender's Code, the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, the Kansas Act for Judicial Review of Agency Actions, the Kansas Municipal Court Code, the Care and Treatment Act for Mentally Ill Persons, the Care and Treatment Act for Persons with an Alcohol or Substance Abuse Problem, the Kansas Parentage Act, the Revised Divorce Code, the Simplified Administration Act, the Informal Administration Act, the Adoption and Relinquishment Act, the Protection from Abuse Act, the Code of Procedure for Limited Actions and the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act. In addition, major studies which have occurred during Mr. Thompson's service on the Judicial Council include judicial redistricting, court unification, statewide delivery of legal services to indigent persons, need for expansion of the court of appeals, mandatory continuing legal education, uniform district court rules and rules of procedure for the Kansas Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Marvin E. Thompson was a member of the Judicial Council during publication of multiple editions and numerous supplements of the Judicial Council publications, which include *Comparative Analysis of American Bar Association Standards for Criminal Justice with Kansas Law, Rules and Legal Practice*, *Kansas Benchbook*, *Kansas Judicial Council Probate Forms*, *Kansas Municipal Court Manual*, *Pattern Instructions for Kansas—Civil and Pattern Instructions for Kansas—Criminal*; and

WHEREAS, In the area of community service, Marvin E. Thompson has been a long time member of B.P.O.E., served on the county zoning commission and serves as Moderator for the First Congregational Church of Russell; and

WHEREAS, Marvin E. Thompson married Maxine Snow in 1942. She died in 1991. Marvin has two children, David Thompson of Russell and Patricia Hubert of Vernon, Vermont, seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, three step-daughters, five step-grandchildren and one step-great-grandchild. In 1992 Marvin married Armella Wasinger; and

WHEREAS, Marvin E. Thompson has rendered a life of distinguished service to the legal community, the Judicial Council and the State of Kansas: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Marvin E. Thompson for his 31 years of faithful and valuable service as a member of the Kansas Judicial Council; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Marvin E. Thompson, c/o Kansas Judicial Council, 301 SW Tenth Avenue, Topeka, Kansas 66612.

Senate Resolution No. 1832 was sponsored by Senator John Vratil.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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President of the Senate.

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Secretary of the Senate.