

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1853

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Kansas Bureau of Investigation's Kansas' Most Wanted program.

WHEREAS, The Kansas Bureau of Investigation's "Kansas' Most Wanted" program has reached the milestone of 1,000 captures. The statewide apprehension program started eight years ago. Law enforcement personnel across Kansas submit photographs and warrant information for fugitives to the KBI for review and dissemination through television, radio and newspapers statewide. The information is also posted on the KBI's internet website; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas' Most Wanted program has far exceeded all expectations by aiding in the capture of fugitives all across the nation, some within hours of their being placed in the program. Many Kansas' Most Wanted fugitives pose a danger to public safety. With total cooperation from the media, quick and safe captures have resulted; and

WHEREAS, This program is a perfect example of the media and law enforcement working together to enhance public safety in Kansas. We owe all participating program partners a great deal of gratitude for their assistance in making our state a safer place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, Television stations participating in this program are KSNT TV27, Topeka; KSAS TV12, Wichita; KSNC TV2, Great Bend; KSNG TV11, Garden City; KSNK TV8, Oberlin; also participating are KFDI AM and FM radio, Wichita, and The Topeka Capital-Journal newspaper; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Kansas are to be commended for their attention to the program and their willingness to respond with useful information that has resulted in the capture of 1,000 most wanted criminals: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the KBI upon the success of its Most Wanted program and express our appreciation to those public media organizations who participate in the program and thereby have played a valued role in enhancing public safety; and

*Be it further resolved:* That we commend Kansans for responding to information made available by local law enforcement agencies and the KBI through media outlets which has resulted in the capture of over 1,000 most wanted criminals; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Larry Welch, Director, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, 1620 SW Tyler, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1837; Harriet Lange, President and Executive Director, Kansas Association of Broadcasting, 1916 SW Sieben Court, Topeka, Kansas 66611; and to Doug Anstaett, President, Kansas Press Association, 5423 SW 7th, Topeka, Kansas 66606.

Senate Resolution No. 1853 was sponsored by Senator David Adkins.

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.*