

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1819

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Justin Sheehy.

WHEREAS, Justin Sheehy of Topeka and a Junior at Hayden High School has been selected as a top high school volunteer for 2004 in the ninth annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. He will receive a \$1,000 award, an engraved silver medallion and a trip to Washington, D.C. in May for a series of national recognition events. There he will be considered with other state honorees for recognition as a national honoree, the winner of which will receive an additional \$5,000 award plus a gold medallion and crystal trophy; and

WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, constitute America's largest youth recognition program based exclusively on volunteerism. The awards are designed to emphasize the importance our nation places on service to others, and to encourage young Americans of all backgrounds to contribute to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Students like Justin represent the best of America's youth and are role models to their peers and communities. Justin organized the first official band for Topeka's annual St. Patrick's Day parade. He recruited band members plus a conductor, selected the music to be played and transposed the music for each band member. He also got a practice room and arranged for a flatbed trailer to transport the musicians. He designed T-shirt uniforms and got a sponsor to pay for them. He also oversees a collection drive that provides toiletry items to needy people in the community: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Justin Sheehy upon being selected as a 2004 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for the State of Kansas and wish him success in his trip to Washington, D.C.; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Principal of Hayden High School for presentation to Justin Sheehy.

Senate Resolution No. 1819 was sponsored by Senator Bill Bunten.

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

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.