

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6027

A RESOLUTION celebrating and commemorating Frank Bozick as the oldest living veteran in Kansas.

WHEREAS, Frank Bozick, son of Frank and Teresa Bozick, immigrants from Slovenia, then a part of Austria-Hungary but now an independent country, was born on February 11, 1903, in Frontenac, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bozick was recognized in November as part of the Frontenac USD 249 Veteran's Day program as the oldest veteran in Kansas - a status that has been confirmed by the historian of the American Legion National Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bozick attended the Central Automobile and Tractor Division of the Pittsburg Business College. After graduation he became a mechanic. Mr. Bozick worked for the Ford Motor Company in Detroit for 18 months. Subsequently, Mr. Bozick returned to Kansas where he repaired steam engines for the Kansas City Southern Railroad until 1932. In 1934, he opened his own gas station which he operated for 42 years; and

WHEREAS, In December 1943, at the age of 38, Mr. Bozick was drafted into the United States Army, where he spent three years repairing tanks. While serving in the army, Mr. Bozick was stationed in Ohio, Kentucky, and Europe. His unit landed on the beaches at Normandy just seven days after D-Day and then moved to Paris, France two days after the city was liberated from the Germans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bozick's time in the army ended in June of 1946 as a Sergeant, 1st class. For his actions while in service to his country, Mr. Bozick earned a European theater ribbon and a good conduct medal; and

WHEREAS, Because of his remarkable life and his valiant service to his country, Frank was presented with a plaque on behalf of the City of Frontenac and the American Legion, John F. Derby Post 43 of Frontenac: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Frank Bozick upon completion of 105 years on this earth and wish him many happy returns.

House Resolution No. 6027 was sponsored by Representative Robert (Bob) Grant.

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

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*