

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1804

A RESOLUTION congratulating and thanking Sue Krische.

WHEREAS, Sue Krische has provided the Kansas Legislature with years of service, including her unprecedented tenure as Chief of Staff to three Senate Presidents over the course of 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Sue Krische was born in Topeka, Kansas. She attended Catholic schools and graduated from Hayden High School prior to attending St. Mary's College in Leavenworth, Kansas for two years before graduating with a bachelor's degree in English from Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, Sue Krische married Larry Krische in 1965, and they lovingly welcomed and raised their three sons: John and his younger twin brothers Matt and Dan. As their sons were growing up, the family followed Larry in his employment with Santa Fe to Chicago, Illinois and San Bernardino, California before ultimately coming back to Topeka in 1971; and

WHEREAS, When her sons were older and in school, Sue Krische began her work for the Kansas Legislature in 1985, serving as a session secretary for Rep. Bill Bunten and as Committee Secretary for House Appropriations under Rep. Bunten from 1987 to 1991 before becoming Administrative Assistant on House Appropriations for Rep. George Teagarden in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Sue Krische made the leap to the Senate in 1993, serving as session secretary to Senate Vice President and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee Jerry Moran before later that year moving up the back steps and becoming the full-time Executive Secretary to Senate President Bud Burke; and

WHEREAS, Upon Senator Dick Bond's ascent to the office of Senate President in 1997, he tapped Sue Krische to serve as his Chief of Staff. Sue Krische continued in her role as Chief of Staff when Senate President Dave Kerr assumed the office in 2001 and when Senate President Stephen R. Morris did so in 2005. Sue Krische's intelligence, loyalty and discretion were the hallmarks of her service to all three Senate Presidents during her 12 years as Chief of Staff; and

WHEREAS, Sue Krische's 12-year tenure as the senior staff to the Senate President is unprecedented. Her appointment and reappointment to this key role significantly altered the scope and definition of the position; and

WHEREAS, Sue Krische has been a tremendous asset to the Kansas Legislature throughout her years of service which have been marked by her well known unflappable calm, low-profile approach, unfailing attention to detail and iron determination. Sue Krische's dedicated service to each Senate President has left an indelible mark on the office of Chief of Staff and her integrity and fairness will long be standards by which other "chiefs" will be measured: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and thank Sue Krische for the years of devoted service she gave to the State of Kansas and for the legacy of excellence she leaves after her many years as Chief of Staff to the office of Senate President; and

*Be it further resolved:* That we express heartfelt gratitude to Sue Krische for her tireless efforts on behalf of the Kansas Legislature and to wish for her a happy, healthy and eventful retirement. We also thank her family: husband Larry Krische, their eldest son John, his wife Lisa and their baby boy Ben; their twin sons Matt and Dan, with Dan's wife Amanda, their twin daughters Ellen and Julia and baby boy Sam. May you all enjoy many good times together in the years to come.

Senate Resolution No. 1804 was sponsored by Senators Morris, Abrams, Apple, Barnett, Brownlee, Bruce, Brungardt, Colyer, Donovan, Emler, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hensley, Holland, Huelskamp, Kelly, Kelsey, Kultala, Lee, Lynn, Marshall, Masterson, McGinn, Ostmeyer, Owens, Petersen, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Reitz, D. Schmidt, V. Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Umbarger, Vratil, Wagle and Wysong.

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.*