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IN THE SENATE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION

Mr. Puthumana of Missouri submitted the following resolution;

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WHEREAS,

Rusty Jones, a native of Kennett, MO graduated from the US Naval Academy and took his commission in the US Marine Corps, still continuing to serve on the Missouri Boys State Staff.

WHEREAS,

As a Naval Aviator, he flew combat missions in the AH-1J Sea Cobra from amphibious ships in North Vietnamese waters and transitioning to the AV-8A Harrier and AV-8B Harrier II, he commanded Marine Attack Squadron 231 during Operation Desert Storm.

WHEREAS,

He left active duty as a Colonel after 29 years, currently serves on the MBS Board of Directors, is a Trustee on the MBS Memorial Trust, was inducted into the Missouri Boys State Hall of Fame in 2015, and in 2023, celebrated 50 years of service to Missouri Boys State.

WHEREAS,

A special commendation to Hank Word, Liam Arnzen, and Maddox Dockins, of Carnahan City for

being inspiring leaders and counselors, their work ethic and dedication, and most of all, their

mentorship and friendship.

WHEREAS,

A thank you to Dean of counselors Nick Ebert, and a personal thank you to Senior Counselor

Wisdom Nwike, whose words of guidance, justice, and dignity amidst hardship have forever left an

impact and shaped this Boys State and Boys Nation experience.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That The 2023 American Legion Boys Nation Senate and the Undersigned commemorate Rusty

Jones' incredible service to Missouri Boys State.

THEREFORE, FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED,

That The 2023 American Legion Boys Nation Senate and the Undersigned thank the

aforementioned individual counselors for their service and outstanding leadership.

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