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Introduced by

Representatives Gress: Biasiucci, Blattman, Bliss, Carbone, Carter, Chaplik, Cook, Crews, Diaz, Dunn, Gillette, Grantham, Griffin, Gutierrez, Heap, Hendrix, Hernandez A, Hernandez C, Hernandez L, Hernandez M, Jones, Kolodin, Livingston, Marshall, Martinez, Mathis, McGarr, Montenegro, Nguyen, Parker B, Parker J, Pawlik, Payne, Peña, Pingerelli, Quiñonez, Schwiebert, Smith, Terech, Toma, Travers, Willoughby; Senators Bennett, Bolick, Borrelli, Carroll, Fernandez, Gowan, Kerr, Marsh, Mesnard, Rogers, Shope, Wadsack

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HONORING THE ARIZONA STATE SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Whereas, the members of the Arizona State Society Daughters of the
2 American Revolution (DAR) have volunteered their time, talents and
3 resources in their communities since the organization of the State Society
4 and its first chapter in April 1901; and

5 Whereas, more than 3,000 Daughters in 42 chapters across Arizona
6 have honored our nation's veterans by participating annually in Wreaths
7 Across America, sponsoring a growing number of wreaths each year, with
8 more than 2,500 sponsored in 2022; and

9 Whereas, Arizona Daughters have also strongly supported Honor
10 Flights by raising nearly \$40,000 to fund the travel of veterans to
11 Washington, D.C., as well as attending send-off and welcome home
12 ceremonies; and

13 Whereas, the Arizona State Society has supported the education of
14 our state's children through grants to the Phoenix music program Rosie's
15 House, which were used to purchase 49 instruments. Each year dozens of
16 Arizona DAR members volunteer in local classrooms and provide lesson plans
17 to local teachers; and

18 Whereas, Arizona DAR chapters have enthusiastically supported the
19 Native American community by donating monies to Indian Youth of America
20 Summer Camp in Prescott and other summer programs, providing 2,047 masks
21 and other pieces of personal protective equipment during the pandemic,
22 donating financial resources and goods to tribes, schools and
23 organizations across the state, including providing food and household
24 items to the Northern Arizona VA Health Care System for distribution to
25 homebound Hopi and Tewa Veterans and their families, participating in the
26 annual Sunrise Memorial Service at Piestewa Peak honoring Lori Piestewa
27 and other fallen military heroes and contributing monies to the San Xavier
28 Mission Restoration Project; and

29 Whereas, in addition to various ongoing community service and
30 statewide efforts, the Arizona State Society also continues to support
31 historic preservation efforts such as funding and dedicating a historical
32 marker in Parker to honor and educate the public about the historic
33 significance of Empire Flat, a steamboat landing on the lower Colorado
34 River used as a transportation corridor from the Gold Rush in California
35 between 1861 until the 1930s, placing an America 250 marker honoring
36 Revolutionary War Patriots at Wesley Bolin Plaza in Phoenix and
37 researching, designing and funding five interpretive panels honoring
38 minority service members stationed at Fort Huachuca during World War II.
39 Therefore,

40 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona,
41 the Senate concurring:

42 That the Members of the Legislature honor the members of the Arizona
43 State Society Daughters of the American Revolution and State Regent Sallie
44 Beraud Lovorn for their tireless commitment to historic preservation,
45 education and patriotism in our nation and in the Grand Canyon State.