SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31

Whereas, pursuant to Article I, Section 10 of the United States Constitution, the states retain the sovereign power to defend themselves when "actually invaded, or in such imminent danger as will not admit delay"; and

Whereas, the Governor of this state is the commander in chief of the militia; and

Whereas, as commander in chief of the militia, the Governor is permitted to call out the militia to execute laws, suppress insurrection, and repel invasion; and

Whereas, the United States Congressional Budget Office has estimated that during the 2023 fiscal year, nearly one million people illegally entered the United States, nearly equaling the total amount for the previous two fiscal years combined; and

Whereas, this increase in illegal entry into the United States has coincided with the rampant increase in crime and drug trafficking in this state; and

Whereas, action is necessary by the Governor to protect the interests of the state and the health and safety of all Missourians from the dangers implicit in the illegal entry of aliens into this country and state:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby urge the Governor of Missouri, Michael L. Parson, to use all powers available to him to repel the invasion of all immigrants illegally present in this state to the nearest port of entry in the United States; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of Missouri Senate be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Governor of Missouri.