

## Senate Resolution 115

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st, Staton of the 18th, Shafer of the 48th, Heath of the 31st, Hill of the 32nd, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the tremendous accomplishments of Ronald Reagan on the 100th anniversary  
2 of his birth; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 100th anniversary of the birth of our 40th president, Ronald Reagan, was  
4 Sunday, February 6, 2011; and

5 WHEREAS, on that day and during the year ahead, there will be many celebrations of the  
6 life of a man who remains one of the most beloved and respected of our modern presidents;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Republicans adore him and even Democrats who opposed many of his ideas at  
9 the time look back kindly on him; and

10 WHEREAS, he always had a kind word or a "hello" and a "thank you" to those who served  
11 with him, and he never gave orders or raised his voice, but inspired others to do the best they  
12 could; and

13 WHEREAS, once he saluted a military aide as he got off the presidential helicopter and  
14 someone told him he could not do that because he was a civilian; he responded that  
15 somebody better get over to the Pentagon and get that rule changed, because as the  
16 commander in chief, he wanted to salute out of respect for his military; and

17 WHEREAS, he totally rebuilt a post-Vietnam demoralized military, and by the end of his  
18 time in office, the United States again had the finest military in the world; and

19 WHEREAS, even when he was recovering from an assassination attempt, when he had been  
20 close to death, he never lost his spirit or his quest for life; and

21 WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan loved the United States with a deep passion and without  
22 apology; he believed in the American Dream because he had lived it; and

23 WHEREAS, there was a toughness to him, but always touched with compassion; he was  
24 strong enough to be gentle; and

25 WHEREAS, his true confidante and love was his wife, Nancy; he would not have been  
26 President without her, nor would his life have been as full if he hadn't shared it with her; and

27 WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan made the world and our country a better place; he restored pride  
28 in our nation and made Americans believe in the slogan from his 1984 campaign: "Prouder,  
29 stronger, better."

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
31 recognize the tremendous accomplishments of Ronald Reagan on the 100th anniversary of  
32 his birth.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library  
35 and Museum in Simi Valley, California.