

## Senate Resolution 164

By: Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st, Anderson of the 24th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing February 2021 as Family Life Education Month; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, strong families are the foundation of any society and are essential to the  
3 well-being, productivity, and vitality of society; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the fabric of the United States is woven together from many diverse ethnic  
5 structures and cultural family threads, and each family's unique traditions and teachings  
6 blending together to guide the foundation upon which our society will continue to grow; and
- 7 WHEREAS, by honoring families, we are acknowledging the crucial role they play in  
8 developing the moral and social character of the many communities throughout this country;  
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, the family is the central core from which we prepare our children for their  
11 responsibilities as adults and parents of the future, readying them to assume their positions  
12 of leadership and service; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the family must cope with many challenges in contemporary society, including  
14 employment, child care, education, health, housing, child abuse and family violence, teen

15 pregnancy, crime, poverty, and the effects of divorce and remarriage on family relationships;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, many of the issues negatively affecting society, including child abuse, domestic  
18 violence, teen pregnancy, divorce, crime, poverty, financial hardship, substance abuse, and  
19 health issues, can be positively addressed and minimized through education; and

20 WHEREAS, family life education provides opportunities for individuals and families to  
21 obtain and enhance the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to function as healthy and  
22 successful contributing members of society; and

23 WHEREAS, family life educators are specifically and uniquely prepared to provide  
24 information and opportunities to strengthen family life through education; and

25 WHEREAS, the National Council on Family Relations has organized the month of February  
26 2021 as Family Life Education Month in order to recognize and honor the vital role of family  
27 life education and family life educators in strengthening society; and

28 WHEREAS, the National Council on Family Relations continues to promote family  
29 education and research, advocate policy and legislation, and support community services that  
30 enhance family well-being; and

31 WHEREAS, the National Council on Family Relations works to ensure that the family  
32 flourishes, and it is fitting to acknowledge and commend its commitment to our most  
33 fundamental social institution: the family.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
35 recognize February 2021 as Family Life Education Month.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
37 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
38 press.