

Senate Resolution 186

By: Senator Anderson of the 43rd

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Staff Sergeant Kimberly Jones for her outstanding service with the American  
2 armed forces and recognizing February 19, 2019, as Women Veterans Day at the state  
3 capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, women served in the United States military as early as the Revolutionary War,  
5 and since then, women of all ages, ranks, and levels of authority have entered every branch  
6 of service, made significant contributions, and suffered the same sacrifices as men; and

7 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Kimberly Jones honorably served in the United States Air Force  
8 and Air Force National Guard as a Pharmacy Technician at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base  
9 in Tucson, Arizona; and

10 WHEREAS, she earned exceptionally high marks on the AFSC exam, which enabled Staff  
11 Sergeant Jones to begin her work as a Pharmacy Technician immediately following basic  
12 training; she was awarded Senior Airman Below-The-Zone, which allowed her to receive the  
13 rank of Senior Airman six months earlier than the normally required time; and

14 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Jones served at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base for four years  
15 and also fulfilled temporary duty assignments in New Mexico at Cannon Air Force Base;  
16 after four years of active duty and two years active in the reserves, she was honorably  
17 discharged as a Staff Sergeant (E-5); and

18 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on the brave and dedicated military  
19 heroes who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom; and

20 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high  
21 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possesses the vast wisdom  
22 which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is achieved  
23 through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

24 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Jones has served with honor and distinction and her vision and  
25 unyielding commitment to her country and community have set the standard for public  
26 service; and

27 WHEREAS, we owe a debt of gratitude to our veterans and wish to express our appreciation  
28 to all of our veterans for their selfless service to this state and the United States.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 commend Staff Sergeant Kimberly Jones for her public service to the United States armed  
31 forces, who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings of liberty  
32 for this nation, and recognize February 19, 2019, as Women Veterans Day at the state  
33 capitol.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Staff Sergeant  
36 Kimberly Jones.