

Senate Resolution 113 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 113

BY QUIRMBACH

1 A Resolution honoring David K. Rehbein, National
2 Commander of the American Legion, for his national
3 service.

4 WHEREAS, David K. Rehbein has just completed a
5 year of service as the National Commander of the 2.7
6 million-member American Legion, the nation's largest
7 veterans service organization; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Rehbein is a United States Army
9 veteran, who served as an infantryman with the 4th and
10 1st Armored Divisions in Germany from 1970 to 1971,
11 attaining the rank of E-5; and

12 WHEREAS, following his military service Mr. Rehbein
13 came to Iowa to complete his education at Iowa State
14 University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in
15 physics in 1977 and a Master of Science degree in
16 metallurgy in 1979; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Rehbein then made Ames his home,
18 working as a research metallurgist at the Ames
19 Laboratory, United States Department of Energy, where
20 he remained until his retirement in July 2008; and

21 WHEREAS, in 1976, while still a student, Mr. Rehbein
22 joined Post #37 of the American Legion in Ames,
23 beginning a 33-year association that would take him to
24 the Legion's highest office; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Rehbein served as a Post Commander, a
26 Vice-Commander, Adjutant, the 6th District Commander,
27 the State Vice-Commander, and a member of the National
28 Executive Committee; and

1 WHEREAS, as National Commander of the American
2 Legion in 2008 and 2009, Mr. Rehbein traveled to
3 47 states, three United States territories, and 10
4 foreign countries, often accompanied by his wife Ann,
5 working tirelessly on behalf of America's soldiers and
6 veterans; NOW THEREFORE,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate honors
8 the distinguished career of David K. Rehbein
9 — soldier, scientist, and National Commander of the
10 American Legion — and thanks him for over 40 years of
11 service to the nation and this state, and to the men
12 and women who wear and have worn the uniform of our
13 armed forces.