

House Resolution No. 148

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are very proud of those Show-Me State students who have overcome economic or other adversities in the pursuit of their higher education through participation in the TRIO program established by the United States Congress in 1965; and

Whereas, Three Rivers Community College (TRCC) in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, wholeheartedly supports affiliation with TRIO as a way to ensure that low-income, first-generation college students and students with disabilities are successful in their quest for a college education; and

Whereas, TRIO programs nationwide annually celebrate TRIO Day by honoring alumni from their respective programs through awards presented to those outstanding students who have excelled academically and have persevered despite personal or family adversity; and

Whereas, Robert Dorris of Clubb, Missouri, graduated from Greenville High School, enrolled at Three Rivers Community College, and participated in TRIO's Student Support Services in addition to holding several jobs at retail stores, a sawmill, and on campus to help pay college expenses; and

Whereas, since graduating from TRCC in May 1997 with an Associate of Arts degree in computer science, Bob Dorris has furthered his education at College of the Ozarks and enlisted in the United States Air Force where he has risen to the rank of Senior Airman, received assignment as an Event Management Systems Analyst, and moved to O'Fallon, Illinois, with his beloved wife, Holly Wheeler of Ava, Missouri; and

Whereas, having earned an Associate's degree in management information systems through the Community College of the Air Force, Bob Dorris is currently enrolled in his second semester of Cisco Systems networking classes and plans to ultimately achieve a Bachelor's degree in management information systems coupled with becoming a commissioned officer:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the diligent studies which have helped carry Bob Dorris so far in his life as an exemplary TRIO program alumnus who is concretely transforming his educational dreams into reality; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Robert Dorris, TRIO Day award winner.

Offered by _____
 Representative Mark L. Richardson
 District No. 154

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 148, adopted January 30, 2002.

 Jim Kreider, Speaker