

House Resolution No. 316

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, Mark Bussen, an esteemed resident of St. Louis, Missouri, will receive the South County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year award during the Annual Awards Banquet to be held February 21, 2002, at Royale Orleans; and

Whereas, a 1976 graduate of Southwest Missouri State University where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, Mark Bussen currently serves as the President of Bussen Quarries, Inc., where he has successfully completed the many duties and tasks placed before him for the past thirty years; and

Whereas, a former board member of Associated General Contractors of St. Louis, Associated General Contractors of Missouri, and the Site Improvement Association, Mark Bussen is exceedingly proud of his active affiliation with the South County Chamber of Commerce, First Bank, St. Louis Concrete Council, St. Louis Coal Club, and the Minerals in Education Foundation; and

Whereas, Mark Bussen has compiled an enviable list of service to the St. Louis community through the important roles he has played as a United Way Campaign Chairman; member of "The Multiple Sclerosis Class of 2000 Corporate Achievers", where he raised the seventh largest total of the ninety-two Corporate Achievers involved; and supporter of Special Olympics of Missouri, which bestowed upon him the Volunteer of the Month award in November of 2001; and

Whereas, a CYC basketball and baseball coach for fifteen years, Mark Bussen personally gives more than thirty tours of Bussen Quarry each year to local schools, the Boy and Girl Scouts of America programs, and older adult education classes; and

Whereas, Mark Bussen has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife of twenty-two years, Debbie; and his three children, Kurt, Craig, and Kimberly;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Mark Bussen at this proud moment well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to inspire others to become involved in their communities; 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 for Citizen of the Year, Mark Bussen.

Offered by _____
 Representative Joan Barry
 District No. 100

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. 316, adopted February 14, 2002.

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