

House Resolution No. 331

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to acknowledge the Show-Me State's tremendous debt of gratitude owed to those residents who are willing to accept appointed positions of weighty responsibility to help ensure the quality and vitality of the infrastructure undergirding this centrally located Midwest state; and

Whereas, Edward D. Douglas was appointed to the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission on January 2, 1996, by then-Governor Mel Carnahan; was elected Vice Chairman of the Commission on June 2, 2000; and served until the end of his term on December 3, 2001; and

Whereas, in addition to his work on the Commission, Edward Douglas served on the Highway and Transportation Employees' and Highway Patrol Retirement Board from January 12, 1996, to December 3, 2001, during which time he provided leadership as Chairman of the Retirement Board from February 4, 1998, to December 3, 1999; and

Whereas, with a particular interest in highway safety, Edward Douglas admirably held a position on the Governor's Total Transportation Commission, made speeches, wrote newspaper articles, and put forth a diligent effort to communicate transportation issues by providing current information to newspapers and legislators; and

Whereas, Edward Douglas labored with his fellow Missouri Highway and Transportation Commissioners to widen Route 36 to four lanes from Hamilton to Chillicothe and fifteen miles west of Macon; to increase the width of Route 71 by two additional lanes from St. Joseph to Maryville; and to commit the state to the construction of Waverly Bridge on Route 65 and the widening of Route 63 from Macon to Columbia:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exceptional dedication and leadership of Edward Douglas during his term on the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our most sincere best wishes as he shifts the focus of his considerable abilities to other endeavors; 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 the conscientious and effective service of Edward D. Douglas on the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission.

Offered by _____
 Representative Don Koller
 District No. 153

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. 331, adopted February 18, 2002.

 Jim Kreider, Speaker