

## House Resolution No. 518

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in recognizing those governmental employees who have brought honor to the Show-Me State through their professionalism and willingness to intervene in life-threatening situations; and

**Whereas**, Corrections Officer I Darion L. Sexton of Hannibal, Missouri, will be awarded the Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award during ceremonies to be held on Thursday, March 14, 2002, at the Northeast Correctional Center in Bowling Green; and

**Whereas**, the prestigious Lifesaver Award will be presented to CO I Darion Sexton in honor of his heroic actions on November 27, 2001, while off duty; and

**Whereas**, a part-time taxicab driver in the Bowling Green area, CO I Darion Sexton transported a truck driver to his trailer truck which had broken down on U.S. Highway 61; and

**Whereas**, upon arriving at the disabled rig, the truck driver collapsed and quit breathing during an apparent seizure; and

**Whereas**, CO I Darion Sexton called 911 on his cell phone and then positioned the man in such a way as to open his airway in preparation for CPR, an emergency technique which he did not perform because the man began breathing on his own; and

**Whereas**, CO I Darion Sexton remained with his customer until a Ralls County ambulance and members of the New London Volunteer Fire Department arrived at the scene to take the man to a local hospital; and

**Whereas**, a Corrections employee since December 8, 1997, CO I Darion Sexton is the beloved father of nine-year-old Gordon Hess, eight-year-old Levi Sexton, six-year-old Nikki Sexton, and four-year-old Daffney Sexton:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the training and practices of CO I Darion Sexton and to congratulate him upon his well-deserved selection for a Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award; 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 Corrections Officer I Darion Sexton, as an expression of our esteem for him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Robert M. Clayton, III  
District No. 10

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. 518, adopted February 28, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker

