

House Resolution No. 571

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take great pleasure in acknowledging the career milestones attained by Show-Me State residents who have admirably risen to the top of their professions through astute business skills and outstanding leadership capabilities; and

Whereas, Robert J. (Bob) Baer is retiring in April 2002 from his position as President and Chief Operating Officer of UniGroup, Incorporated, the parent company of such esteemed Missouri-based and nationally recognized businesses as United Van Lines, LLC; Mayflower Transit, LLC; UniGroup Worldwide, Incorporated; Total Transportation Services, Incorporated; and Vanliner Group, Incorporated; and

Whereas, headquartered in Fenton, Missouri, UniGroup and its companies have been managed by a team of executives led by Bob Bauer, first as Vice President and General Manager, then President of United Van Lines, and since 1988 as President and Chief Operating Officer of UniGroup Incorporated and its operating companies; and

Whereas, through the dedicated efforts of Bob Baer's management team and the Board of Directors, UniGroup and its operating companies have functioned as essential components of our nation's commerce and transportation systems, achieving unprecedented growth within the respective industries they serve; and

Whereas, under Bob Baer's leadership, UniGroup and its operating companies have earned a reputation for quality performance and integrity which have brought distinction to the companies; enabling business success for affiliated van line agents and other stakeholders; and delivering a high level of service excellence to the consuming public; and

Whereas, during his tenure with UniGroup, Incorporated, Bob Baer has rendered faithful and distinguished service to the St. Louis Metropolitan Region and the State of Missouri as President of the St. Louis Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners and as Chairman of the St. Louis Regional Convention and Sports Complex Authority, in a manner which brought credit to those bodies and their work; and

Whereas, one of the moving industry's most experienced senior executives, Bob Baer has provided testimony before the United States Congress on moving-related matters, helped shape the moving industry through his work with United, UniGroup, Mayflower, and the American Moving and Storage Association, and played a significant role in the advancement of UniGroup, Inc. to the forefront of the moving industry and the other businesses in which UniGroup is involved:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in extending hearty congratulations and best wishes to Bob Baer upon the completion of a most successful career in the moving industry; 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 Robert J. (Bob) Baer.

Offered by _____
 Representative Catherine L. Hanaway
 District No. 87

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. 571, adopted March 6, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

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