

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives enjoy a long, proud tradition of meeting their responsibilities to the citizens of this state while upholding the virtues represented by the "Glory of Missouri": Knowledge, Liberty, Equality, Law, Justice, Fraternity, Education, Progress, Honor, Truth, Virtue, Temperance, Enterprise, and Charity; and

Whereas, the "Glory of Missouri" virtues were engraved in the House Chamber of the State Capitol in the early 1920s under the direction of the Decorating Commission with the inscription: "All the foregoing human qualities bind into one theme, the Glory of Missouri because no people attain these virtues unless they are great."; and

Whereas, the "Glory of Missouri" Award was created to encourage the values held by the early leaders of Missouri and to recognize those standards as exemplified in our schools and communities by this state's young people who are the future of Missouri; and

Whereas, Nichole R. Graves, a student at Rockwood South Middle School in Fenton, has been selected to receive a "Glory of Missouri" Award for her accomplishments in the area of VIRTUE as defined by Webster's dictionary in 1926: "Moral practice or action; conformity to the standard of right; moral excellence, integrity of character, uprightness of conduct. Also a particular moral of excellence."; and

Whereas, the daughter of Scott and Betty Graves, Nichole is an exceptional young lady who knows the difference between right and wrong and continually demonstrates her ability as well as her will to do the right thing regardless of peer pressure; and

Whereas, Nichole strives for excellence in all aspects of endeavor and achieves her goals while participating in National Junior Honor Society, Student Council, HEART, diving, and soccer:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in commending Nichole R. Graves for her noteworthy achievements in the pursuit of VIRTUE and in congratulating her at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; 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 Nichole R. Graves, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
 Representative Rick Johnson
 District No. 90

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. _____, adopted _____, 2002.

 Jim Kreider, Speaker

