

House Resolution No. 812

Whereas, Dorris J. Walker-McGahee of St. Louis, Missouri, has been nominated to receive the prestigious DeVerne Lee Calloway Award, a tremendous accolade given annually by the Women Legislators of Missouri in honor of Missouri's first African-American woman state representative; and

Whereas, the DeVerne Lee Calloway Award is presented to a Missouri woman who, through her commitment and determination, has made major contributions to equality and social justice by furthering legislation concerning equal opportunities for all Missourians in the areas of education, housing, employment, etc.; and

Whereas, Dorris Walker-McGahee currently serves as the President of the Parent Assembly for the St. Louis Public School and holds responsibility for the day-to-day operation of the parent involvement programs including P.T.O. meetings, newsletters, conducting workshops to empower parents and help them to become supportive of their schools; and

Whereas, a Title I Teacher Clerk for the St. Louis Public Schools, Dorris Walker-McGahee has completed the many duties and tasks placed before her as Hearing Officer for Special Education for the State of Missouri, Parent Advocate for Health Collaborative, and the Co-Chair of the Proposition I Tax Levee Bond Issue for the St. Louis Public Schools, State Board of Education Community Education Advisory Council, Black Round Table Sub-Committee for Education, Better Family Life, and the St. Louis Public Schools Desegregation Task Force; and

Whereas, a proud recipient of both the Distinguished Citizen Award and the Special Achiever Award from two local newspapers, Dorris Walker-McGahee is exceedingly proud of her active affiliation with the Gateway Classic Sports Foundation Board of Directors, the Black Leadership Round Table, and The Teen Pregnancy Prevention Board of Directors; and

Whereas, Dorris Walker-McGahee has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her devoted husband, Herman McGahee; and her six children and seven grandchildren:

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 heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Dorris Walker-McGahee upon her well-deserved nomination for the DeVerne Lee Calloway 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 Dorris J. Walker-McGahee.

Offered by _____
Representative Cathy Jolly
District No. 45

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. 812, adopted March 15, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

