

House Resolution No. 329

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to note a milestone event in the life of a Show-Me State resident who is integrally connected to his hometown community in diverse ways; and

Whereas, Jacob C. Archer of Ozark, Missouri, has earned distinction as the owner of Ozark Sign Service, an enterprise which was established by his father-in-law, Ron Bilyeu, who retired in 1997; and

Whereas, in addition to running his family business, Jacob Archer provides leadership to the Ozark community through his illustrious service as Fire Chief and through his membership at Cassidy United Methodist Church where he sings in the choir and serves on the building committee; and

Whereas, a volunteer firefighter for fifteen years, Jacob Archer rose to the rank of Captain of Station 1 in 1991 before accepting the duties and responsibilities of Fire Chief in March 2000; and

Whereas, Jacob Archer is a native of Mexico who came to the United States in 1976 as a high school student, learned English, and entered the David and Jane Archer family through adoption; and

Whereas, it took Jacob Archer a few years to become comfortable with life in Ozark, but only one day in high school to meet his future wife, Val Bilyeu, who was immediately taken with the dark-haired newcomer enrolled in the same biology class as she; and

Whereas, now an integral part of the Ozark community's social fabric, Jacob Archer was named Citizen of the Year by the Ozark Chamber of Commerce at its annual awards and installation banquet which was held on January 18, 2003, at the Christian County Elks Club:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the selection of Jacob Archer as the 2002 Citizen of the Year by the Ozark Chamber of Commerce and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; 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 Jacob C. Archer of Ozark, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Jerry Bough
 District No. 142

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 329, adopted February 11, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker