

House Resolution No. 361

Whereas, Vernon Gage of Tipton, Missouri, has been chosen as the Tipton Chamber of Commerce 2002 Volunteer of the Year; and

Whereas, Vernon Gage has demonstrated tremendous amounts of responsibility and commitment to the Tipton Chamber of Commerce by being a strong supporter and taking part in numerous projects, committees, and programs; and

Whereas, engaged in numerous leadership activities throughout his community, Vernon Gage is President, Director, and District III Manager of the Central Electric Power Cooperative; Secretary and Director of the Missouri Institute of Cooperatives; a member and President of the Missouri Electric Cooperatives Bookkeepers and Accountants; and a charter member and President of the Missouri Electric Cooperatives Employees Credit Union; and

Whereas, a valuable member of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Moniteau County Ducks Unlimited, the Capital Region Board of Governors, the Moniteau County Republican Club, the Tipton Kiwanis Club, and Friends of the Maclay Home, Vernon Gage is a 1958 graduate of Tipton High School who earned a Certificate in Supervision and Management from State Fair Community College, served in the Missouri National Guard from 1963 to 1970, and retired as General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc., after twenty-two years of steadfast and admirable service; and

Whereas, Vernon Gage has received a tremendous amount of love and support from his wonderful family whose members include his wife, Peggy; his father-in-law, Thos L. Hutchison; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Sally Claas, Shirley and Gene Kruse, and Ed Olson; his nephews and nieces, John, Peter, and Michael Claas, JoAnn Lucas, Tommy Hutchison, and Robyn Combs; his great-nieces and nephews, Halle, Gage, Ella, Jared, Hannah, Justin, Brennan, Mackenzie, Blake, Krista, Bobbi, Craig, Danny, Sarah, Cory, Colby, and Calen; and his great-great-nieces and nephews, Shelby, Jada, Hayden, Mason, Clara, Emma, and Lauren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join with the Tipton Chamber of Commerce in extending our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Vernon Gage upon his well-deserved selection as Volunteer of the Year; 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 Vernon Gage.

Offered by _____
 Representative Larry Crawford
 District No. 117

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. 361, adopted February 13, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker