

House Resolution No. 462

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pauses in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone attainments by Show-Me State residents who are dedicated to maintaining and improving examples of historic resources which illustrate life in the past for the benefit of current and future generations; and

Whereas, Eldon Nattier and James Coley of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, have devoted themselves to restoring a stately old home on Sprigg Street in Cape Girardeau for use as a bed and breakfast named the Rose Bed Inn; and

Whereas, originally constructed as the personal residence of German immigrant William Schrader and his lovely wife, Ella, the Sprigg Street home was built as a showplace for the brick contractor's talents with a "widow's walk" roof and a magnificent view of the Mississippi River; and

Whereas, the 2001 renovation of the Rose Bed Inn was truly a collaborative effort with Eldon Nattier bringing his experience in remodeling sixty-eight houses and James Coley contributing his business acumen as a chef after the two men saved the structure from city condemnation by purchasing and cleaning it in 1995; and

Whereas, serving as a focus in the fight against disuse and degradation that can destroy an older area's atmosphere and attractions, Eldon Nattier and James Coley will receive a prestigious 2003 Preserve Missouri Award for outstanding commitment to local historic preservation at a special awards ceremony to be held in the State Capitol Rotunda on Wednesday, February 26, 2003; and

Whereas, founded in 1976 as the Missouri Heritage Trust, Missouri Preservation is a grassroots network of individuals, organizations, and commissions from throughout the state with its headquarters centrally located in Columbia, and is the only non-profit preservation organization in the state:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant labors and tremendous success embodied in the work of Eldon Nattier and James Coley and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as they receive a well-deserved 2003 Preserve Missouri Award from Missouri Preservation; 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 in honor of Eldon Nattier and James Coley of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Jason G. Crowell
 Majority Floor Leader
 District No. 158

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. 462, adopted February 20, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker