

House Resolution No. 457

Whereas, James R. Perkins of Marshall, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction during the past twenty-two years as a professional truck driver on this nation's highways and byways; and

Whereas, on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, James Perkins will receive well-deserved honors and accolades at the Fifty-fifth Annual Safety Awards Banquet at the Capitol Plaza Hotel when he is announced as the Driver of the Month for August 2002 for the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the Missouri Driver of the Month program is sponsored by the Missouri Motor Carriers Association of Jefferson City in cooperation with the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Missouri Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Safety; and

Whereas, a valued employee of Gencom, Incorporated, James Perkins began driving more than 2.3 million accident-free miles ago in 1980, since which time he has received Million Mile recognition in 1991 and Two Million Mile recognition in 1999 from his company and a One Million Mile Club award from WBAP Radio in Fort Worth, Texas; and

Whereas, James Perkins is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps who served on active duty from 1975 to 1978 and who is known for treating everyone with respect, performing all of his duties with vigor, always looking out for the company and its customers, and carefully maintaining and using his truck for best fuel mileage and safety; and

Whereas, James Perkins will receive an engraved watch and a certificate from the Missouri Driver of the Month program and will be automatically entered in the Missouri Driver of the Year competition as a professional truck driver who has joyfully developed and maintained an interest in safety, customer service, and assisting others while doing his part to keep America's goods and materials moving:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar driving record garnered by James Perkins during more than two decades of professional truck driving experience and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes upon his selection as Missouri Driver of the Month for August 2002; 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 James R. Perkins.

Offered by _____
Representative Jim Seigfreid
District No. 26

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. 457, adopted February 20, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker