

House Resolution No. 749

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State business enterprises which have developed and maintained an enviable reputation for community and educational services of the highest quality; and

Whereas, Scholastic, Incorporated, is a publicly-held, international publishing company which is dedicated to introducing young people to the joys of reading while at the same time devoting a tremendous amount of time and energy to creating quality materials designed to increase understanding of the world; and

Whereas, in addition to its facilities in Jefferson City, Missouri, Scholastic operates wholly-owned companies in Argentina, Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and the United Kingdom; and

Whereas, Scholastic has attained distinction locally for its creation and support of an exceptional literacy program entitled Missouri Reads in which young students receive free books appropriate for their grade level in school; and

Whereas, members of the Missouri House of Representatives participate in Scholastic's Missouri Reads program by serving as adult mentors who distribute the books and who read a portion or all of a selected title with students in their classroom setting; and

Whereas, it is entirely fitting that the Missouri House of Representatives acknowledge the positive influence exerted by Scholastic in local schools all across the state through its publication and distribution of highly popular children's books, classroom and professional magazines, core curriculum materials, educational software, and family-oriented video and television products:

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 educational endeavors in which Scholastic has engaged for more than eighty years and to convey to all of those involved in the development, initiation, and execution of the Missouri Reads program this legislative body's heartiest commendation and our best wishes for continued success now and in the future; 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 Scholastic, Incorporated, and its Missouri Reads literacy program.

Offered by _____
 Representative James Viebrock
 District No. 134

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. 749, adopted March 10, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker