

House Resolution No. 957

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has played an integral role in the educational development of countless youth through commitment to the needs of the local school district and its students, faculty, staff, and administration; and

Whereas, Rita B. Hanks, an esteemed resident of Smithville, Missouri, is stepping down from the Smithville R-II Board of Education after twenty-one years of exceptional service and dedication; and

Whereas, Rita Hanks has brought tremendous leadership and unwavering commitment to the Smithville R-II Board of Education for the past two decades, during which time she completed the many duties and tasks placed before her as president for twelve years and vice president for six years; and

Whereas, currently employed as a Computer Information Systems Instructor, Rita Hanks holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education from Missouri Western State College and a Master of Science degree in Business Education from Central Missouri State University as well as Missouri and Kansas Teacher Certification; and

Whereas, Rita Hanks is an invaluable member of the Smithville community, where her affiliations include the Northwest Missouri State University Board of Regents, the National Business Education Association, the Missouri Vocational Association, Delta Pi Epsilon, the Missouri Business Education Association, the Missouri School Board Association, the National Association of Teacher Educators for Business Education, and the Clay County Arts Council; and

Whereas, a devoted wife and loving mother, Rita Hanks has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Don, and her three children, Todd, Nancy, and Randy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Rita Hanks for her twenty-one years of unparalleled service to the Smithville R-II School Board and to the citizenry of Smithville, and in wishing her only the very best of success in all her future endeavors; 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 Rita B. Hanks.

Offered by _____
 Representative Doug Ervin
 District No. 35

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. 957, adopted March 19, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker