

House Resolution No. 904

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding young Missouri citizen who has distinguished herself as a leader of her community; and

Whereas, Jeni Jaso of Springfield, Missouri, will receive the prestigious 2002-2003 Lieutenant Governor's Service Award during an appropriate ceremony to be held in conjunction with Missouri Service Day on March 19, 2003, on the south steps of the Missouri State Capitol; and

Whereas, nominees for the 2003 Lieutenant Governor's Service Awards must be active members of their community and participants or members of national service programs such as AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, VISTA, AmeriCorps Promise Fellows, and Learn & Serve America; and

Whereas, Jeni Jaso is an exceptional student at Bailey Alternative High School, where she is active in the service-learning program and volunteers her time for the Togetherness and PeaceJam programs, and the etc. Center, a student-run supplementary materials recycling program that provides supplies to teachers, of which she currently serves as Director; and

Whereas, a reading tutor for third-grade students, Jeni Jaso has created and presented workshops on STDs for local middle schools that inform students on certain health issues; and

Whereas, Jeni's caring and loving nature makes her a natural at helping others while the enthusiasm and joy she brings to each service-learning project have inspired other students to get involved with the schools and communities; and

Whereas, although her mother's chronic illness often leaves her to run the household and care for her younger siblings, Jeni Jaso maintains a positive attitude and outlook on life and continues to give back to her school and to her community:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jeni Jaso upon her most worthy receipt of the 2002-2003 Lieutenant Governor's Service Award, and in wishing her only the very best as she continues to serve as an inspiration to others through service learning and service to her community; 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 Jeni Jaso.

Offered by _____
Representative Mark Wright
District No. 137

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. 904, adopted March 18, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker