

House Resolution No. 953

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have developed and maintained reputations for excellence in all of their pursuits; and

Whereas, Thomas C. Phillips of Saginaw, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction during the past thirty years as a professional truck driver on this nation's highways and byways; and

Whereas, on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, Tom Phillips received well-deserved honors and accolades at the Fifty-fifth Annual Safety Awards Banquet at the Jefferson City Ramada when he was announced as the Driver of the Month for December 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 Transport Distribution Company of Joplin, Tom Phillips began driving more than 3.6 million miles ago in 1973, since which time he has received numerous safety awards; and

Whereas, Tom Phillips is noted for his professional business attitude, honesty, dependability, vehicle cleanliness, attendance at safety meetings, interest in the recreational pleasures to be found in fishing and at the lake, and earlier service in the United States Navy; and

Whereas, Tom Phillips received an engraved watch and a certificate from the Missouri Driver of the Month program and was 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 Tom Phillips during three 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 December 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 Tom Phillips.

Offered by _____
Representative Marilyn Ruestman
District No. 131

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. 953, adopted March 19, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker