

## House Resolution No. 2100

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events and organizations in the Show-Me State which offer significant enhancement to the quality of life of thousands of citizens; and

**Whereas**, on Wednesday, April 23, 2003, the first and third floors of the Rotunda in the Missouri State Capitol will be the scene of special observances commemorating National Donate Life Month; and

**Whereas**, universally hailed as Organ and Tissue Donor Day at the Capitol, this important event will be cooperatively sponsored by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Lions Eye Bank, Mid-America Transplant Services of St. Louis, and Midwest Transplant Network of Kansas City; and

**Whereas**, more than 3,200 Missourians are currently awaiting an organ transplant; and

**Whereas**, approximately sixty-three persons throughout the United States receive an organ transplant each day, but another sixteen people on waiting lists die because not enough organs are available; and

**Whereas**, increased awareness of the importance of transplants is needed to help the public be more receptive to organ and tissue donation; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting that April 23, 2003, be observed as Organ and Tissue Donor Day in the State Capitol in recognition of the 1.8 million Missourians currently listed on the state's Organ Donor Registry:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join to acknowledge the importance of organ and tissue donation for the improved health of many Americans and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a highly successful, educational, and productive Organ and Tissue Donor Day in the Capitol Rotunda; 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 to commemorate Organ and Tissue Donor Day at the Capitol.

Offered by Speaker Catherine L. Hanaway  
District No. 87

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. 2100, adopted April 23, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker