

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

Whereas, Mike O'Donnell, an esteemed resident of Cameron, Missouri, will receive the prestigious Man of the Year award during a festive "Thank You" Banquet sponsored by the Cameron Community Betterment Committee to be held May 3, 2003; and

Whereas, since graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Technology, Mike O'Donnell has worked in the same place for more than thirty years and has earned his Master Automobile Technician certificate; and

Whereas, Mike O'Donnell is a committed volunteer who has served as a member of the Fire Department since 1986, during which time has helped coordinate fire prevention week activities at local schools, given tours of the Fire Department to young people, served as an Advisor on the Rural Fire Board, worked on grants and budget for fire department equipment, and worked to get the City of Cameron's and the rural fire protection class lowered to a 5, which saves every property owner a significant amount of money; and

Whereas, some of Mike's other leadership roles include president of the Jaycees from 1991-1992 and the Chamber of Commerce in 1995 and 2001, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Board, member of the Cameron Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, and Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, a position he currently holds; and

Whereas, a devoted family man, Mike O'Donnell received the Chamber of Commerce Crossroad Award in 2002; and

Whereas, it is entirely fitting and proper that this legislative body should pay tribute to Mike O'Donnell, a remarkable individual and dedicated community leader who continues to serve as an inspiration to all those who know him:

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 Mike O'Donnell at this proud moment of well-deserved recognition, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his 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 Man of the Year, Mike O'Donnell.

Offered by _____
Representative James O. Guest
District No. 5

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. 2349, adopted April 30, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker