

House Resolution No. 2408

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Honorable Rex Barnett of Maryville, Missouri, who will receive Northwest Missouri State University's Distinguished Service Award during the University's commencement exercises on May 3, 2003, in Bearcat Arena; and

Whereas, the Distinguished Service Award has been given only three times in the history of Northwest Missouri State University; and

Whereas, Representative Barnett represented the 4th District in the Missouri House of Representatives from 1994 to 2002, during which time he served on several committees, including Agriculture; Appropriations-Corrections and Public Safety; Criminal Law; Education-Higher; Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulations; and Public Safety, Law Enforcement and Veteran Affairs; and

Whereas, the state appropriations to Northwest Missouri State University grew sixty percent from \$20.1 million to \$32.2 million while Representative Barnett was in office; and

Whereas, Representative Barnett continually worked for the interests and progress of Northwest Missouri State University as a member of the House Education-Higher Committee; and

Whereas, throughout his impressive tenure as a legislator, Representative Barnett was instrumental in helping Northwest Missouri State University receive state appropriations totaling approximately \$32 million for important capital improvement projects, including renovations to the Administration Building, Colden Hall, Garrett-Strong Science Building, the Fine Arts Building, and the steam line/chilled water project:

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 Representative Barnett upon his most worthy receipt of the prestigious Distinguished Service Award, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to support the aims and purposes of Northwest Missouri State University; 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 the Honorable Rex Barnett, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

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. 2408, adopted May 1, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker