

## House Resolution No. 2362

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives truly value the excellent, diverse work provided by the Jefferson City Chapter of the American Red Cross to the citizens and residents of the central portion of the Show-Me State; and

**Whereas**, perhaps best known for widely-publicized blood donation drives, the Red Cross provides Biomedical Services that incorporate blood, plasma, and tissue services to meet the needs of the American people for the safest, most reliable, and most cost-effective blood, plasma, and tissue products through voluntary donations; and

**Whereas**, Red Cross volunteers and staff also engage in the planning, preparedness, community education, mitigation, and victim relief connected with Disaster Services; training in first aid, CPR, aquatics and water safety, HIV/AIDS prevention, and mission-related care giving for the elderly and other priority groups associated with Health and Safety Services; emergency communications and social services to assist military personnel in resolving family emergencies through Armed Forces Emergency Services; locally developed, delivered, and managed Community Services that meet local community needs and that are sustained by financial and volunteer support of the local community; and the support of international disaster relief and the development of national societies which support the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement; and

**Whereas**, the Jefferson City Chapter of the American Red Cross fully follows the Red Cross Principles of Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, Voluntary Service, Unity, and Universality; and

**Whereas**, the Jefferson City Chapter of the American Red Cross is one of twenty-two local Chapters in Missouri which is broken down into eight geographic zones in order to provide prompt service delivery to all five million state residents through the efforts of 382 paid staffers and nearly 24,000 volunteers found throughout the state:

**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 labors conducted by the Jefferson City Chapter of the American Red Cross and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued success in all of their much-appreciated 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 in honor of the Jefferson City Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative James Viebrock  
 District No. 134

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. 2362, adopted April 30, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker