

## House Resolution No. 2925

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of those individuals who have accepted the weighty responsibilities associated with judicial careers; and

**Whereas**, the Honorable William H. Barbour, Jr., has attained distinction as a United States District Court Judge who has effectively served the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi since April 1983 and as Chief Judge from 1989 to 1996; and

**Whereas**, the beloved husband of Stewart Fair Barbour, father of Fair Hurst, Will Barbour, and Charles Barbour, and grandfather of Mary Stewart Hurst, Genevieve Hurst, Liddy Hurst, and one on the way in June, Judge Barbour was born on February 4, 1941, in Yazoo City, Mississippi; and

**Whereas**, Judge Barbour is a graduate of Princeton University, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1963; the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he earned a Juris Doctorate in 1966; and the New York University School of Law, where he completed the Graduate Tax Program in 1966; and

**Whereas**, Judge Barbour is a former District Court Member from the Fifth Circuit in the Judicial Conference of the United States, former member of the Judicial Council of the Fifth Circuit, former President of the Fifth Circuit District Judge Association, member of the Judicial Codes of Conduct Committee of the United States Courts, and charter member of the Charles Clark Inn of Court; and

**Whereas**, known for his commitment to public service and family, Judge Barbour strives to reach the correct outcome under the facts and law even in the face of contrary public opinion, instills in all of his law clerks the philosophy that the law is to be revered, treats his law clerks with respect and prepares them by word and by example for their legal careers in ways beyond what they learned in law school:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the twenty-year-long service of Judge William H. Barbour, Jr., with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi and to convey to him the best wishes of this legislative body for many more years of judicial service to come; 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 William H. Barbour, Jr., of Yazoo City, Mississippi.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jeff Harris  
District No. 23

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. 2925, adopted May 15, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker