

House Resolution No. 2738

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven to be exceptional citizens through their proactive involvement in preparing youth for future roles as societal leaders; and

Whereas, Don Lentz of St. Joseph, Missouri, has attained distinction as the Principal of Bode Middle School in the St. Joseph School District, an important endeavor which he will draw to a close on June 30, 2003, in retirement; and

Whereas, a principal for thirteen years, Don Lentz brought to his leadership activities at Bode Middle School a wealth of experience and knowledge gleaned from earlier positions as a math and science teacher at Bode Middle School for five years, a science teacher at Benton High School for twenty years, and educational labors at Westboro for one year; and

Whereas, the St. Joseph Parent Teacher Association Council's Outstanding Principal for 2003, Don Lentz led Bode Middle School as it became the first school in the St. Joseph School District to be named a Gold Star School by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and

Whereas, Don Lentz is an Elder and Sunday school teacher at New Testament Christian Church, a member of the St. Joseph Parent Teacher Association, the founder of the Benton High School radio station, a former director and coach of the Southside Baseball League, and a coach of girls volleyball; and

Whereas, Don Lentz also deserves mention of his devotion as the beloved husband of Connie, father of Daniel and Andrew, and grandfather of Justin and Kaylee:

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 personal and professional accomplishments garnered by Don Lentz during nearly four decades as an educator and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 Don Lentz of St. Joseph, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Ed Wildberger
 District No. 27

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. 2738, adopted May 9, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker