

## House Resolution No. 2921

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has brought great commitment and steadfast dedication to the teaching profession; and

**Whereas**, Patricia Benner, an esteemed resident of Kansas City, Missouri, will officially retire from the Hickman Mills C-1 School District on May 27, 2003, after a successful career in education that has spanned more than twenty-nine years; and

**Whereas**, Patricia Benner has played an integral role in the educational development of countless youngsters as a Fourth Grade Teacher at Santa Fe Accelerated Elementary School, prior to which time she served the District as a Sixth Grade, Third Grade, and Substitute teacher; and

**Whereas**, a native of Baltimore, Maryland, Patricia Benner began teaching at Riverview Gardens in St. Louis County and spent half a year at Lemasters and four years at Danforth before joining the Hickman Mills C-1 School District; and

**Whereas**, during her rewarding career in education, Patricia Benner served as a Missouri State Teachers Association Representative, Conflict Mediators Coordinator, Dollars and Sense Program Coordinator, Kids Voting Coordinator, and Youth Friends member; and

**Whereas**, a graduate of the University of Missouri who later earned her Master's degree in Education from the University of Missouri-Kansas City, Patricia Benner has compiled an enviable list of service to the Kansas City community as a Den Mother for Cub Scout Troop 98, Girl Scout and Brownie Leader, and Sunday School Teacher; and

**Whereas**, Patricia Benner looks forward to her much-deserved retirement so that she can spend more quality time reading, working on cross-stitch, and visiting with her wonderful family which includes her two children, Timm and Katie; her daughter-in-law, Kalea; her three grandsons, Drew, Zach, and Seth; her special friend, Bill; and her favorite canine companion, Savannah; and

**Whereas**, it is entirely fitting and proper that this legislative body should pay tribute to Patricia Benner, a remarkable individual and stellar educator who will be greatly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and working with her:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Patricia Benner for her twenty-nine and one-half years of unparalleled service to the Hickman Mills C-1 School District and to the education of Missouri's youngest citizens, and in wishing her the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement she so richly deserves; 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 Patricia Benner.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Vicki A. Walker  
 District No. 50

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. 2921, adopted May 15, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker