

House Resolution No. 3018

Whereas, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri, is totally committed to fulfilling its stated mission of taking God-called men and women and leading them through the marvelous adventure of biblical studies that teach the great truths of God's redemptive grace; and

Whereas, an institution of the Southern Baptist Convention, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is guided by a board of trustees that unanimously elected R. Philip "Phil" Roberts as the fourth president of the Kansas City-based Southern Baptist seminary in January 2001; and

Whereas, the former vice president for the North American Mission Board Strategic Cities Strategies Group, Phil Roberts is an exemplary teacher and renowned author who brings a wealth of experience to his role as President of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary from the many pastoral and leadership positions he has held throughout the world; and

Whereas, a major contributor to the Kansas City and Missouri economy, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary employs more than 100 dedicated individuals, ministers to thousands of families through student and church missions, and provides educational and missions training to more than 500 students who work with and serve Missouri churches, missions, and programs; and

Whereas, faculty and staff members at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary are dedicated to equipping men and women in a variety of Christian ministries; and

Whereas, throughout its rich history, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has given degrees to approximately 3,500 students who come from a variety of cultural, economic, and geographical backgrounds and are committed to theological education in preparation for the practice of ministry:

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 President Phil Roberts and to the faculty and staff at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary for their many years of exceptional service to the Kansas City community; 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 Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____

Representative Trent Skaggs
District No. 31

Representative Brian Baker
District No. 123

Representative Doug Ervin
District No. 35

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. 3018, adopted May 16, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker