

House Resolution No. 305

Whereas, Colonel Dennis E. Buck, Deputy Chief of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department, enjoyed a thirty-year-long career which he brought to a close on December 31, 2003, while serving as the Executive Services Bureau Commander; and

Whereas, a native of Pratt, Kansas, who started working there in 1969 as a Watch I Officer and Dispatcher, Dennis Buck joined the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on January 7, 1974, as a Probationary Patrolman who rose through the ranks of Patrolman, Sergeant, Captain, and Major before accepting the duties and responsibilities of Deputy Chief on October 13, 2000; and

Whereas, Dennis Buck prepared for and enhanced his police work by applying himself to studies at Pratt High School, Pratt Community College, Pittsburg State College, Park University, the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center, Traffic Management School at Central Missouri State University, Special Tactical Firearms School at the FBI Academy, SWAT Training at Fort Leonard Wood, and the Southern Police Institute and with Dale Carnegie and Dale Carnegie Leadership Training for Managers courses; and

Whereas, down through the years Dennis Buck earned two Certificates of Commendation, the KMBC Silver Award for Valor, three Special Unit Citations, a Safe Driving Award, a Firearms Proficiency Award, the Good Conduct Ribbon, a Tenure Award, the Southern Police Institute "Director's Award" and a "Man in Blue" Award; and

Whereas, Colonel Buck was responsible for the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department's conversion to the .40 caliber pistol, development of the Firearms Training Manual, computerization of Department Written Directives, relocation of the Crime Lab, implementation of security at numerous public events, partnership with DEA chemists, and many other projects; and

Whereas, Deputy Chief Dennis Buck is particularly proud that his son, James Michael Buck, is following in his footsteps as a Kansas City, Missouri Police Department Sergeant:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Colonel Dennis Buck, to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest commendation of his thirty-year-long law enforcement career, and to express our best wishes for continued success 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 to mark the retirement of Colonel Dennis E. Buck, Deputy Chief of the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department.

Offered by _____
 Representative Daniel Bishop
 District No. 38

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 305, adopted February 2, 2004.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker