

House Resolution No. 245

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has broadened her horizons by showcasing her talent and achievements in a national competition; and

Whereas, Heidi Dinan, an esteemed resident of O'Fallon, Missouri, claimed the crown of "Mrs. America" during the Mrs. America pageant held September 19, 2003, in Honolulu, Hawaii; and

Whereas, named Mrs. Missouri World over twenty-four contestants in July 2003, Heidi Dinan won more than \$100,000 worth of cash and prizes at the Mrs. America pageant and the right to represent the United States at the Mrs. World competition held in December 2003; and

Whereas, hosted by actress Florence Henderson and actor Hal Linden, the Mrs. America pageant was broadcast October 11, 2003, on the PAX Television Network; and

Whereas, established in 1977, the Mrs. America pageant is devoted to proving that America's sixty million married women are extraordinarily poised, articulate, hard-working, and versatile; and

Whereas, accompanying Heidi to the Mrs. America pageant were her husband and number one fan, Jeffrey, and other members of her family, all of whom cheered her on as she participated in the pageant's exciting evening gown and swimsuit competitions, and the final interview process; and

Whereas, a part-time model and aspiring writer of children's literature, Heidi Dinan has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her devoted husband, Jeffrey; her daughter, Kelsi Elliott; her mother, Karma Peterson of Utah; her father and stepmother, Rich and Beverly Crawford of California; her mother-in-law, Ann Caraway; and her six brothers:

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 Heidi Dinan upon her most worthy receipt of the "Mrs. America" title, and in wishing her only the very best as she successfully represents this country's married women during her illustrious reign; 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 Mrs. America, Heidi Dinan of O'Fallon, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jack Goodman
District No. 132

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. 245, adopted January 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker