

House Resolution No. 502

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State students who have admirably dedicated themselves to extracurricular leadership activities through the stellar venue of Future Farmers of America (FFA); and

Whereas, Rachel Whitener attained considerable distinction while a student in the Class of 2003 at Fredericktown High School and a member of the Fredericktown FFA chapter whose supervised agricultural experience program included her beef herd and a communications job as a part-time dispatcher at Black River Electric Cooperative; and

Whereas, Rachel Whitener competed in several career development events, including the Missouri Institute of Cooperatives, Missouri Farm Bureau, and SEMO Fair public speaking contests; the Missouri State Pork Producers contest, in which she placed Second; the Mid-South Fair public speaking contest, where she came in First; prepared public speaking competitions; and state-level events in poultry, nursery/landscaping, parliamentary procedure, agricultural sales, creed speaking, and agricultural communications, for which she received the State Proficiency Award; and

Whereas, during her student years at Fredericktown High School, Rachel Whitener was on the Gold Duster dance squad for four years, in Flag Corps for three years, in National Beta Club for four years, on the Lady Cats basketball team for two years, on the cheerleading squad for two years, on speech team for one year, in Pep Club for one year, a member of the WYSE team for one year, and in Math Club for one year; served as 2002-2003 Sweetheart Queen and 2002-2003 Fredericktown Azalea Queen; won the 2001 Black River Electric Youth Tour Essay Contest; and was a fourth grade tutor with the A+ program; and

Whereas, the daughter of David and Lisa Whitener, Rachel Whitener has now enhanced her significant record of accomplishment through her selection as State FFA Vice President for Area 12 while pursuing an Associate of Arts degree in communication at Mineral Area College:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Rachel Whitener's rise to the leadership office of State FFA Vice President for Area 12 and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest best wishes as she continues her education at Mineral Area College; 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 Rachel Whitener of Fredericktown, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Rod Jetton
 Speaker Pro Tem
 District No. 156

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. 502, adopted February 11, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker