

## House Resolution No. 672

**Whereas**, it is with genuine respect and admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have demonstrated a remarkable devotion to the highest qualities of citizenship; and

**Whereas**, James William Southerland of Saint Charles has attained considerable distinction as an alumnus of Buchanan High School in Troy who was born on February 1, 1939, and attended Saint Ann grade school in Normandy; and

**Whereas**, after his graduation from secondary school, James Southerland entered military service on August 14, 1961, in the United States Air Force with which he was stationed in Arizona, California, the Philippines, and Viet Nam before receiving an honorable discharge on August 13, 1965; and

**Whereas**, James Southerland married his beloved Terry Ann Roberts on October 5, 1968, and began a family which would eventually include three daughters, Maria Angela, Caroline Anna, and Leah Mignon; and two grandsons, Connor James and Gabriel Richard; and

**Whereas**, employed at Carter Carburetor from September 1, 1959, to August 15, 1984, James Southerland has supported his growing family through subsequent labors at the General Motors-Wentzville plant from February 1, 1985, until his scheduled retirement on April 1, 2004; and

**Whereas**, James Southerland devoted a substantial amount of time and effort to earning an Associate's degree in computer technology from Saint Charles County Community College, an endeavor which he pursued from August 26, 1993, to May 13, 1996; and

**Whereas**, James Southerland is a Sunday Usher at Saints Joachim and Ann Church where he has been a loyal member since its inception in 1981:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar career accomplishments garnered down through the years by James Southerland and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations 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 in honor of James William Southerland of Saint Charles, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Joe Smith  
 District No. 14

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. 672, adopted February 19, 2004.

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 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker