

House Resolution No. 923

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State academic programs which demonstrate tremendous promise for the future betterment of society and quality of life because of their rich history of past achievements; and

Whereas, the University of Missouri-Columbia sponsors an engineering studies program which is distinguished by being the first to offer engineering education west of the Mississippi River; and

Whereas, originally focused in 1849 on a single class devoted to civil engineering instruments, the University of Missouri-Columbia program now encompasses all manner of engineering specialties, advanced studies, and well-respected research; and

Whereas, from March 5 through March 13, 2004, engineering students at the University of Missouri-Columbia will celebrate Engineers' Week to promote awareness of engineering and technology and to encourage the pursuit of engineering as a career; and

Whereas, Engineers' Week at the University of Missouri-Columbia will incorporate displays of creative engineering feats and exhibitions of leading-edge research which illustrate the relevance of engineering in society and the interrelationship of the various professions, sciences, arts, and trades; and

Whereas, the 2004 observance of Engineers' Week marks the One Hundred First anniversary of the founding of the celebration on March 17, 1903; and

Whereas, in the ensuing years Engineers' Week has been adopted by many engineering colleges and has developed into a festive event that includes canned food drives, a Knighting ceremony, Professor-for-a-Day instructors from private sector companies, a formal Saint Patrick's Ball, and the coronation of an engineering King of Valor and Wit and a Queen of Love and Beauty:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the worldwide accomplishments of engineers who have studied and trained throughout the state of Missouri and to convey to current engineering students and their professors at the University of Missouri-Columbia this legislative body's heartiest best wishes as they observe Engineers' Week from March 5 through March 13, 2004; 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 Engineers' Week.

Offered by _____
 Representative Vicky Riback Wilson
 District No. 25

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. 923, adopted March 8, 2004.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker