

## House Resolution No. 982

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished herself as a leader of her peers; and

**Whereas**, Victoria Matthews of Carthage, Missouri, was selected to receive the American Future Farmers of America (FFA) Degree at the 2003 National FFA Convention held November 1, 2003, in Louisville, Kentucky; and

**Whereas**, the highest degree awarded by the National FFA Organization, the FFA Degree recognizes leadership abilities and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing, and programs; and

**Whereas**, fewer than one in 200 FFA members advance through their local chapter and state FFA degree programs to earn this prestigious honor; and

**Whereas**, Victoria Matthews was active in the FFA program at Carthage High School, from which she graduated with honors; and

**Whereas**, the 2003 Jasper County Youth Fair Queen, Victoria Matthews is an invaluable member of the Aggie Club at Crowder College in Neosho, where she is currently studying agriculture; and

**Whereas**, Victoria Matthews has achieved all of this and more with the support and encouragement of her proud parents, Matt and Denise Matthews of Carthage:

**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 Victoria Matthews at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing her only the very best of success in all her future endeavors; 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 Victoria Matthews.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Steve Hunter  
District No. 127

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. 982, adopted March 10, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker