

House Resolution No. 1679

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has brought great commitment and steadfast dedication to the teaching profession; and

Whereas, Dr. David G. Smith, an esteemed resident of Kansas City, Missouri, is retiring as Superintendent of Center School District #58 in Kansas City after five years of exceptional service; and

Whereas, during his impressive tenure, Dr. Smith has developed and implemented a district facilities improvement plan, a classroom-based Professional Development Plan, a district-wide reading program, and an instructional-based technology plan; and

Whereas, Dr. Smith is also credited with instituting the DuFour Learning Communities Model, maintaining a fiscally sound budget, increasing technology funding, and reducing financial expenditures by \$2.2 million with community support; and

Whereas, Dr. Smith began his teaching career in 1964, and gained an immeasurable amount of experience in education as the Superintendent of the Excelsior Springs School District from 1994 to 1999, Superintendent of the Harrisonville Cass R-IX School District from 1988 to 1994, and Assistant Superintendent-Curriculum and Personnel of the Sedalia School District from 1986 to 1988, prior to which time he held a variety of teaching, coaching, and administrative positions at schools in Missouri and Iowa; and

Whereas, Dr. Smith is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, YouthFriends, the Excelsior Springs Chamber of Commerce, Excelsior Springs Optimist Club, and the Harrisonville Rotary Club, just to name a few:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Dr. Smith for his four decades of unparalleled service to Center School District #58 and to the teaching profession, and in wishing him the long, enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; 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 Dr. David G. Smith.

Offered by _____
Representative Cathy Jolly
District No. 45

Representative Kate Meiners
District No. 46

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. 1679, adopted April 13, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker