

## House Resolution No. 2204

**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**, Karen S. Woods, an esteemed resident of Walnut Shade, Missouri, will officially retire from the Reeds Spring R-IV School District on July 1, 2004, after a successful career in education that has spanned an incredible thirty years; and

**Whereas**, Karen Woods has played an integral role in the educational development of numerous Missouri youngsters as an exceptional employee of the Reeds Spring R-IV School District for twenty-five years, during which time she has served as a Seventh and Eight Grade Reading Teacher, Math Teacher, Gibson Technical Center At-Risk Instructor, and Seventh and Eighth Grade Resource Room Teacher; and

**Whereas**, during her impressive tenure with the Reeds Spring R-IV School District, Karen Woods has served as a Beta Club Sponsor, member of the Reeds Spring Teachers Association, and a founder of the Reeds Spring Middle School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society; and

**Whereas**, a member of the Missouri Vocational Special Needs Association, Karen Woods gained an immeasurable amount of experience as a Second Grade Teacher, Special Education Teacher for grades K-6, and a Gifted Program Teacher for five years in Granite City, Illinois, before joining the Reeds Spring R-IV School District; and

**Whereas**, Karen Woods has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of her devoted husband, Richard L. Woods, Sr.; her two children, Kari L. Woods Lippert and Kelly L. Woods; her son-in-law, Josh Lippert; and her two stepsons, Richard L. Woods, Jr., and Terry L. Woods:

**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 Karen Woods for her three decades of unparalleled service to the Reeds Spring R-IV School District and to the teaching profession, and in wishing her the long, enjoyable retirement she 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 Karen S. Woods.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Dennis Wood  
District No. 62

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. 2204, adopted April 27, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker