

House Resolution No. 2744

Whereas, it is with great pleasure and tremendous respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to congratulate Show-Me State school teachers at momentous times in their professional careers; and

Whereas, Doris Negaard has attained considerable distinction as a teacher in the Independence School District with its nearly 12,000 students, approximately 925 certificated staff, and fifteen elementary, three middle, and three high school facilities; and

Whereas, Doris Negaard recently enhanced her record of accomplishments when she was named the Independence School District Teacher of the Year; and

Whereas, Doris Negaard has taught at William Chrisman High School for the past twenty years; and

Whereas, prior to her arrival at William Chrisman High School, Doris Negaard garnered a wealth of knowledge and experience through her decade-long work at her alma mater, Truman High School, and at Palmer Junior High School; and

Whereas, Doris Negaard's greatest influences in life include her eighty-year-old mother, a lifelong teacher who still works with the Family Literacy Center, and her father, a retired college educator; and

Whereas, justifiably proud to be influential in her student's studies and lives, Doris Negaard allows them to make choices on some of the homework deadlines, test dates, and formats so that they can leave the classroom feeling good, confident, and challenged as independent thinkers:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Doris Negaard as Independence School District Teacher of the Year and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; 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 Doris Negaard of the Independence School District.

Offered by _____
 Representative Paul LeVota
 District No. 52

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. 2744, adopted May 6, 2004.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker