

**Whereas**, as the 2003-2004 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Potosi R-III School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty with the retirement of Title I teacher Betty Dee who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

**Whereas**, listed in Who's Who of America's Teachers, Betty Dee has taught for twenty-two years at Potosi R-III, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Betty Dee previously taught grades K-8, remedial language arts, reading recovery, and kindergarten early literacy in the Potosi R-III School District and was a teacher in the Kingston K-14 School District for eight years; and

**Whereas**, Betty Dee has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

**Whereas**, Betty Dee has also enjoyed recognition by serving as a Sunday School Teacher, Children's Church Leader, and Youth Sponsor for Vacation Bible School, Kid's Crusades, puppet shows for nursing homes, and the Boy Scouts of America organization; and

**Whereas**, Betty Dee has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband of nearly thirty years, Thomas E. Dee; one daughter, Angie Dee; her mother, Ida Krauss; one sister, Donna Block; and three brothers, John Krauss, Chris Krauss, and Paul Krauss:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Potosi R-III School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Betty Dee has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly 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 Betty Dee, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative J.C. Kuessner  
District No. 152

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Representative Belinda Harris  
District No. 110

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. 2985, adopted May 12, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker