

## House Resolution No. 3207

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State elective officials who prove to be exceptional citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through their selfless service with spiritual institutions; and

**Whereas**, the Honorable Brian Baker of Belton has attained considerable distinction since his initial election in 2002 as the State Representative from District No. 123; and

**Whereas**, in addition to his governmental leadership as a state representative and member of the Belton City Council, Brian Baker has served as the Minister of Education and Youth for Heartland Family Ministries, a group of enterprises which includes First Baptist Church, Heartland High School and Academy, and Heartland Preschool and Child Care; and

**Whereas**, Brian Baker was born on August 9, 1973, in Tucson, Arizona, and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in English with a minor in psychology from Central Missouri State University and a Master of Christian Education degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; and

**Whereas**, the beloved husband of Kristen and the loving father of Kaylinn and Grant, Brian Baker was a high school All-American in basketball and the 1992 Belton Youth of the Year; and

**Whereas**, in 1994 Brian Baker became Assistant Pastor in charge of church ministries and youth programs, since which time he has served more than 1,000 teenagers and hundreds of families through such venues as twenty youth camps and five mission trips and as the founder of Student LIFE Ministries and the creator of 24/7 LIFE, a unique family Bible study and outreach ministry; and

**Whereas**, Brian Baker will be the guest of honor at two morning events on June 6, 2004, in light of his Tenth Anniversary at Heartland Family Ministries: a General Reception and a Family Worship service which will be devoted to special testimonies and music:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the ten years of service so generously given by Brian Baker to the youth and families of Heartland Family Ministries through his leadership efforts as Minister of Education and Youth and to convey to him 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 in honor of Brian Baker of Belton, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Carl Bearden  
District No. 16

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. 3207, adopted May 24, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker