

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives fully recognizes the importance of further research into the prevention and cure of pancreatic cancer, the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the nation; and

Whereas, approximately five hundred cases of adenocarcinoma of the pancreas are diagnosed annually in the state of Missouri alone; and

Whereas, pancreatic cancer is among the deadliest forms of cancer, with most persons so diagnosed surviving for only a few months afterward; and

Whereas, the mortality rate of pancreatic cancer is so high that the disease is considered virtually incurable; and

Whereas, pancreatic cancer treatment has limited success by the time the condition is diagnosed, most pancreas tumors having already reached an advanced stage; and

Whereas, the members of the Ann E. McEnroe Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund Committee have generously given of their time and energy; and

Whereas, Jana and Adam Timmerman, Committee members who have recently lost a close loved one to pancreatic cancer, have gone to great lengths to increase public awareness of this fatal condition; and

Whereas, the St. Louis Rams have selflessly aided the Ann E. McEnroe Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund at the Institute for Science and Health in its efforts to fund research directed at a cure; and

Whereas, these individuals and organizations are to be thanked for their philanthropic efforts to raise awareness of the critical nature of pancreatic cancer and the quest for a cure:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our hopes that the efforts of Jana and Adam Timmerman and the St. Louis Rams will promote pancreatic cancer awareness among citizens and emphasize the need for increased research funding into effective early diagnosis and treatment; 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 Jana and Adam Timmerman and the St. Louis Rams.

Offered by _____
Representative Walter R. Bivins
District No. 97

Offered by _____
Representative Sherman Parker
District No. 12

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. _____, adopted _____, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker