

House Resolution No. 176

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, Doug Richards, an esteemed resident of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, has been chosen to receive the Award of Distinction, a most impressive accolade to be presented to him by the Cape Girardeau Vision 2020 Council on January 25, 2005, at Southeast Missouri Hospital; and

Whereas, the Awards of Distinction salute those organizations and individuals whose conscientious support of Vision 2020 and devoted service will be of long-lasting significance to the quality of life in Cape Girardeau; and

Whereas, Chairman of the Board with the Cape County Transit Authority, Doug Richards has enjoyed recognition by spearheading the merger with Cape County Transit, Incorporated, effectively giving the Transit Authority an operational wing; and

Whereas, Doug Richards hired the Transit Authority's first Executive Director and has overseen the organization as county transit trips have increased fifty-percent over a five year period; and

Whereas, thanks to Doug Richards, the state is now set for Cape Girardeau to have an accessible, affordable, transportation system; and

Whereas, Doug Richards is an uncommon leader who can be described by his peers as dedicated, devoted, hardworking, and visionary — traits which make true leaders:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Doug Richards at this proud moment of well-deserved recognition, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; 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 Doug Richards.

Offered by _____
 Representative Nathan D. Cooper
 District No. 158

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 176, adopted January 20, 2005.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker