

House Resolution No. 1871

Whereas, upon occasion the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize those individuals who have performed an invaluable service to their community; and

Whereas, Richard Ruffert will receive the prestigious St. Charles Crime Stoppers 2004 Citizen of the Year award during the Twelfth Annual Community Recognition Dinner to be held April 14, 2005, at The Stegtons Banquet Center in St. Charles; and

Whereas, Crime Stoppers is a community program which provides citizens with an anonymous way to report crimes and suspicious activities; and

Whereas, on January 15, 2003, Richard Ruffert was shopping inside the Blockbuster Video store on the south service road when he observed an individual stealing items from the store; and

Whereas, Richard Ruffert immediately informed the store's manager who called local police; and

Whereas, once the police arrived an officer attempted to search the suspect, who attempted to flee the scene but was stopped by Richard Ruffert, who held on to him and helped the officer gain control of the suspect; and

Whereas, it is entirely fitting and proper that this legislative body should pay tribute to Richard Ruffert, a remarkable individual whose efforts and willingness to cooperate were of tremendous help to local law enforcement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Richard Ruffert at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; 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 Richard Ruffert, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Tom Dempsey
District No. 18

Representative Sally A. Faith
District No. 15

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. 1871, adopted April 6, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker