

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Jeffery B. Stiffman, Ph.D., of Saint Louis, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as the Senior Rabbi of Shaare Emeth, a two-thousand-family Reform congregation known for its innovative programs of worship, education, and social action; and

Whereas, Rabbi Jeffery Stiffman recently enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he was selected for a 2005 Faith and Freedom Award from the Missouri Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice; and

Whereas, in addition to the 2005 Faith and Freedom Award from the Missouri Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, Rabbi Jeffery Stiffman has received numerous honors from the Shaare Emeth congregation, including the endowment of the Jeffrey Stiffman Rabbinic Chair, recognition of his Twenty-fifth Anniversary of service, and the naming of the main temple as the Rabbi Jeffrey Stiffman Sanctuary; and

Whereas, Rabbi Jeffery Stiffman has been married to his beloved Arlene for nearly forty-five years and is the loving father of Dr. Mike Stiffman of Saint Paul, Minnesota, Marti Stiffman of Saint Louis, and Cheryl Maayan and is the devoted grandfather of Alexander, George, and Samuel Stiffman, Eliana, Maya, and Milton Zuckerman, and Gabriel and Ari Maayan; and

Whereas, Rabbi Jeffery Stiffman stepped down from his position as Senior Rabbi at Shaare Emeth in 2004 at the age of sixty-five in order to spend more time with his children and grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Rabbi Jeffery Stiffman for a 2005 Faith and Freedom Award from the Missouri Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice and to convey to him this legislative body's sincerest 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 Rabbi Jeffery B. Stiffman, Ph.D.

Offered by _____
Representative Margaret Donnelly
District No. 73

Representative Barbara Wall Fraser
District No. 83

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. _____, adopted _____, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker