

House Resolution No. 2193

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Raleigh Jessup, a treasured resident of O'Fallon, Missouri, who is to be commended for his efforts in the construction of a full-sized replica of Zumwalt's Fort; and

Whereas, for the past thirty years, Raleigh Jessup has pushed for the construction of the replica of the log home built by Jacob Zumwalt in 1798 in what is now Fort Zumwalt Park in O'Fallon; and

Whereas, Raleigh Jessup's dream moved closer to reality when archaeologists recently commenced a dig where the fort once stood; and

Whereas, in 1986, Raleigh Jessup used one of the fort's original logs to build a miniature replica of the fort which is now on display at the log cabin in Civic Center Park; and

Whereas, an O'Fallon resident since 1947, Raleigh Jessup was a machinist with McDonnell Douglas for nearly forty years, during which time he served as an O'Fallon alderman from 1973 to 1983 and founded the O'Fallon Historical Society in 1974; and

Whereas, Raleigh Jessup has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his beloved wife, the late Betty Jessup; and his three children; and

Whereas, now eighty-two years young, Raleigh Jessup looks forward to the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good life, waiting for the day when his project is finally complete:

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 congratulations to Raleigh Jessup 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 Raleigh Jessup.

Offered by _____
Representative Joe Smith
District No. 14

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. 2193, adopted April 14, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker