

## House Resolution No. 2440

**Whereas**, the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma was founded in 1998 in order to meet the physical, social, and spiritual needs of those fleeing from violence; and

**Whereas**, the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma utilizes direct mental health services, supportive outreach programs, and training for educational, medical, and mental health professionals and works to maximize the functioning of torture survivors in order to enable them to successfully adjust to life in a safe environment; and

**Whereas**, the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma has a Youth Leadership Program which helps students learn about themselves and others and to be positive leaders in the community; and

**Whereas**, the Youth Leadership Program teaches others about diversity, tolerance, non-violence, conflict mediation, self-care, community resources, and caring for the environment; and

**Whereas**, the Youth Leadership Program also aims to bring peace in communities and schools and to bring people together; and

**Whereas**, it is the vision of the Youth Leadership Program to teach students to learn to think about others, not just themselves; and

**Whereas**, the Youth Leadership Program also strives to help students teach others to be good leaders in their schools and communities, and to become seen as compassionate leaders in the communities; and

**Whereas**, Reza Mustafavi and a group of fellow students from the Youth Leadership Program at the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma will visit the State Capitol in order to study both United States and Missouri government:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Reza Mustafavi, an outstanding member of the Youth Leadership Program at the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma; 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 Reza Mustafavi.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Jeanette Mott Oxford  
 District No. 59

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. 2440, adopted April 22, 2005.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker