

House Resolution No. 2598

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Karen Herzog, Ph.D., of Washington, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as president of East Central College, a leadership endeavor which she will complete on June 30, 2005, after six years of service; and

Whereas, during Karen Herzog's dedicated leadership as president, East Central College dedicated and opened the Regional Training Center, established a centralized Learning Center for students, earned full ten-year accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, received a federal Title III "Strengthening Institutions" grant in the amount of \$1.7 million over five years, achieved record enrollment levels, enhanced the college's presence in Rolla, initiated the "Legacy of Hope and Opportunity" major gifts campaign for scholarships through the ECC Foundation, formed a leadership cadre to encourage professional development opportunities for emerging leaders, and established a partnership with the Dierberg Foundation to provide "A Taste for the Arts" in Hermann; and

Whereas, Karen Herzog became East Central College's fourth president on June 28, 1999, after she had served as associate vice chancellor for education in the Metropolitan Community College District of Kansas City, dean of instructional services at Penn Valley Community College, interim provost of the Blue Springs campus, dean of campus services at the Longview campus in Lee's Summit, and an English teacher for fifteen years; and

Whereas, Karen Herzog also deserves mention of her professional labors with the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education's Committee on Transfer and Articulation, American Council on Education-Network Missouri Advisory Council, Phi Theta Kappa, Franklin County Economic Development Council, Franklin County Area United Way Advisory Council and its Investment Committee, Franklin County Family and Children Mental Health Board, Washington 353 Redevelopment Corporation, Union Rotary Club, and the Franklin County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar leadership of Karen Herzog as president of East Central College and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 Karen Herzog, Ph.D., of Washington, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Nieves, Dist. #98

Representative Mike Sutherland, Dist. #99

Representative Kevin Threlkeld, Dist. #109

Representative Charles Schlottach, Dist. #111

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. 2598, adopted April 26, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker