

House Resolution No. 2641

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, Cj Johnson of 211 Young Street in Grain Valley, Missouri, has devoted an exceptional amount of time and energy to the topic of civil rights; and

Whereas, on Wednesday, April 13, 2005, Cj Johnson partook in the time-honored benefits of citizenship by meeting with her elective officials in the Missouri state capitol in Jefferson City on what was known as Equal Pay Day; and

Whereas, Cj Johnson discussed with elective officials her concerns with the Equal Pay Act and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act which passed Congress forty-one years ago to address economic issues of women and people of color; and

Whereas, according to statistics released in 2004 by the United States Census Bureau, year-round full-time working women in 2003 earned only seventy-six cents for every dollar of earnings by year-round full-time working men; and

Whereas, according to a January 2002 report released by the General Accounting Office, women managers in seven of ten industries surveyed actually lost ground in closing the wage gap between 1995 and 2000; and

Whereas, similar patterns exist for every occupational classification tracked by the United States Department of Labor Statistics, including higher education; and

Whereas, disparity in pay between men and women results in reduced Social Security benefits and pensions for the average American woman and her family:

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 accomplishments garnered by Cj Johnson thus far in life and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt 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 for presentation to Cj Johnson of Grain Valley, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bryan Pratt
District No. 55

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. 2641, adopted April 27, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker