

House Resolution No. 3069

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State youths who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their achievements; and

Whereas, Jonathan Baker of Maryville is the beloved son of Roger and Susan Baker; and

Whereas, on Saturday, April 23, 2005, Jonathan Baker brought tremendous smiles to the faces of his parents when he sank 24 of 25 free throws to capture First Place in the Elks Hoop Shoot National Free Throw Contest on the campus of Western New England College in Springfield, Massachusetts; and

Whereas, one of twelve finalists in the boys age 10-11 division, Jonathan Baker qualified for the National Free Throw Contest by besting all comers in local, district, state, and regional Elks Hoops Shoots during the past few months; and

Whereas, Jonathan Baker is a student at Eugene Field Elementary School in Maryville and represented Maryville Elks Lodge #760 in the National Free Throw Contest; and

Whereas, Jonathan Baker will have his name engraved on a plaque in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, in light of his victory over eleven other regional winners; and

Whereas, Jonathan Baker also participated in the 2004 National Free Throw Contest where he placed fourth; and

Whereas, for this year's competition, Jonathan Baker shot from a regulation foul line and with a men's basketball instead of the women's basketball he used last year from a location four feet closer to the goal:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the concentration, dedication, and perseverance demonstrated thus far in life by young Jonathan Baker and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon taking First Place in the Elks Hoop Shoot National Free Throw Contest; 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 Jonathan Baker of Maryville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

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. 3069, adopted May 9, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker