

House Resolution No. 3865

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to honor those individuals who have dedicated many years to the children of the Show-Me State through diligent labor in our public school system; and

Whereas, the Van-Far R-I School District lost a valuable member of its staff on May 25, 2004, with the retirement of LaVonne Jones who devoted nearly a quarter century of her life to this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a health room aide, cafeteria clerk, and bus driver; and

Whereas, LaVonne Jones worked for twenty-four years at Van-Far High School, where she was held in high esteem as an individual who demonstrated considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of Van-Far R-I fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of LaVonne Jones; and

Whereas, LaVonne Jones leaves her duties and responsibilities at Van-Far R-I with tremendous satisfaction that she had always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best she could offer; and

Whereas, a former employee at Vandalia Garment Factory, LaVonne Jones derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through her active affiliation with the First Baptist Church of Vandalia; and

Whereas, LaVonne Jones has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Richard; two sons, Rick and Matthew; one daughter, Stacy Higerson; five grandchildren, Brian, Nathan, and Cameron Jones and Samantha and Colten Higerson; and her parents, Leona Nolan and the late Wyatt Nolan:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that LaVonne Jones rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; 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 LaVonne Jones, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
 Representative Terry L. Witte
 District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3865, adopted August 18, 2004.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker