

House Resolution No. 3544

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to recognize the meritorious endeavors of outstanding Show-Me State employees, a task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, Denis H. Agniel of Jefferson City, Missouri, will retire from his position as Chairman with the Missouri Department of Corrections, Board of Probation and Parole, on June 1, 2005, after a thirty-two-year career in state government; and

Whereas, appointed Chairman of the Parole Board by the late Governor Mel Carnahan, Denis Agniel commenced his career with the Department of Corrections as a Caseworker in Tipton on September 24, 1973, since which time he has served as a Social Services Trainee, Probation and Parole Officer I and II, Supervisor I, and Regional Supervisor; and

Whereas, Denis Agniel is considered a creative and dynamic leader who has been responsible for many important duties and responsibilities, just a very few of which include working closely with the Sentencing Advisory Committee in revising sentencing guidelines, implementing strategies with the Parole Board to assist the Department in the reduction of the daily inmate growth rate from over four inmates per day in fiscal year 2003 to negative growth in fiscal year 2004, and directing the implementation of strategies to maintain the agency's focus on the higher risk and need offenders with diminishing resources; and

Whereas, Denis Agniel has supported his profession as a member of the Association of Paroling Authorities International, where he has served as Vice President of the Central Region, Chair of the Standards Development Committee, and member of the Professional Development Committee; and

Whereas, Denis Agniel has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Sheila Agniel; four children, Jim, Dominick, Jennifer, and Madison; one grandson, Quinn; and his parents, Harry "Bud" and Anna Leah Agniel:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing deep gratitude for the superb service that Denis Agniel has rendered to the Show-Me State during the past thirty-two years and in wishing him ample opportunity to enjoy the better things life has to offer; 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 Denis Agniel, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Deeken
District No. 114

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. 3544, adopted May 24, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker