

House Resolution No. 3782

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those individuals who have answered the patriotic call to national service through their enlistment in the various branches which make up the United States military; and

Whereas, Barry L. Martens of Overland Park, Kansas, attained considerable distinction as a Chief Warrant Officer 4 with the Missouri Army National Guard, a professional calling which he drew to an honorable close on April 10, 2005, in well-deserved retirement after thirty-six years of service; and

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Barry Martens last served as the Aviation Safety Officer with Headquarters, 1-135th Aviation Battalion at Whiteman Air Force Base; and

Whereas, a former rotary wing aviator, Chief Warrant Officer Barry Martens earned the Bronze Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, Army Aviation Broken Wing Award, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Master Army Aviator Badge during his more than three decades in the Army; and

Whereas, in civilian life Barry Martens has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation in light of his eighteen years with Yellow Roadway Corporation Enterprise Services; and

Whereas, Barry Martens is a member of Stanley Presbyterian Church, a former deacon at Oak Hill Presbyterian Church, and a member of the National Rifle Association; and

Whereas, Barry Martens is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Sherrie Martens, the loving father of Matthew Martens, Jacob Martens, and Melissa Martens; and the devoted grandfather of Abby, Alex, Kelsy, and Isabel:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Chief Warrant Officer Barry Martens and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his thirty-six years of service with the Missouri Army National Guard; 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 Chief Warrant Officer 4 Barry L. Martens of Overland Park, Kansas.

Offered by _____
Representative David Pearce
District No. 121

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. 3782, adopted June 16, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker