

## House Resolution No.

**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**, W. Richard Buffington has distinguished himself as a resident of the city of Mexico, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, Richard Buffington was first elected to the City Council in April 1987 and held elective office until 2005; and

**Whereas**, during his six three-year terms as a Councilman, Richard Buffington fulfilled the diverse duties and responsibilities of the office of Mayor during 1991-1992, 1998-1999, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, and 2004-2005; and

**Whereas**, as Mayor and Councilman, Richard Buffington was instrumental in the success of such important projects as wastewater systems improvements, Mexico Memorial Airport improvements, and the use of more than \$35 million in federal and state grants for housing, infrastructure and economic development, the Street Improvement Program, and the Economic Development Program that included twelve companies and a gain of 1,200 jobs; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge momentous occasions in the lives and careers of such outstanding citizens as Richard Buffington; and

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the civic-minded service and leadership of Richard Buffington, to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his elective service with the city of Mexico, and to express our sincerest best wishes as he turns his time and effort to other venues in the future; 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 W. Richard Buffington of Mexico, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Steve Hobbs  
 District No. 21

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. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker