

House Resolution No. 4083

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are proud to recognize the meritorious accomplishments of an outstanding Missouri public servant who has placed himself in harm's way on numerous occasions to endure public safety; and

Whereas, Captain Jim Vanhoozer of the St. Joseph Fire Department retired on May 1, 2004, after twenty-two years of demonstrating extraordinary commitment to the citizens of the Show-Me State through his uncommon dedication to providing quality fire fighting services; and

Whereas, Jim Vanhoozer will always be known, admired, and respected for the professional, conscientious, and skilled manner in which he fulfilled a multitude of significant responsibilities; and

Whereas, prior to assuming his responsibilities as Captain, Jim Vanhoozer served as a Backend Man, Driver, Emergency Medical Technician, Paramedic, and Interim Chief, the latter of which he successfully raised moral and implemented station rehabilitation projects; and

Whereas, formerly a medic in Savannah, Jim Vanhoozer is an extraordinary individual who chose to follow his dream and embrace a worthwhile vocational calling which provided a means to express his deep sense of community, compassion for fellow Missourians, and desire to preserve the safety of home and hearth; and

Whereas, Jim Vanhoozer has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Chris; two sons, Kurt and Erik; his stepchildren, Lynn Judkins and Bart Weddle; and three grandchildren, Clay Judkins, Mara Weddle, and Amelia Weddle:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in expressing our most sincere appreciation to Captain Jim Vanhoozer for his many years of service 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 retired Captain Jim Vanhoozer, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Ed Wildberger
District No. 27

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. 4083, adopted September 15, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker