

House Resolution No. 4183

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Sidney Cooper of Tarkio has attained considerable distinction as a music teacher in the Tarkio R-I School District for the past forty-four years; and

Whereas, Sidney Cooper recently enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when she was selected as the Missouri Outstanding Music Director for the northwest district of the Missouri Choral Directors Association; and

Whereas, nominated for this prestigious award by Marilyn Ray of Maryville High School and Dave Goodwin of the Cameron School District, Sidney Cooper received her award at a convention in Jefferson City on Friday, July 22, 2005; and

Whereas, one of only eight Missouri Outstanding Music Directors selected each year, Sidney Cooper graduated from Tarkio College with a degree in elementary education and music and pursued graduate studies at Northwest Missouri State University and the University of Missouri-Columbia; and

Whereas, Sidney Cooper began her career as an elementary school music teacher, became additionally involved with the high school music program, and currently teaches junior high and high school chorus in cooperation with Susan Slaughter in addition to elementary classes; and

Whereas, Sidney Cooper not only provides the accompanying music for the Tarkio junior high and high school Chorus concerts, she also is the accompanist for the Missoula Children's Theatre; and

Whereas, Sidney Cooper began playing piano at the age of six; picked up the flute in junior high, high school, and college; and then added a true love for children on her way to becoming an outstanding educator:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Sidney Cooper as the Missouri Outstanding Music Director for the northwest district of the state by the Missouri Choral Directors Association and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; 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 Sidney Cooper of Tarkio, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

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. 4183, adopted August 15, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker