

## House Resolution No. 4697

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those individuals who have proven down through the years to be exceptional citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their civic-minded endeavors; and

**Whereas**, Jan Cebula has attained considerable distinction as a member of the Sisters of Saint Francis based in Clinton, Iowa; and

**Whereas**, for twenty-three years Sister Jan Cebula served as a staff attorney for Legal Aid of Western Missouri (LAWMO), an activity which she brought to a close in order to shift her attention to new venues of work as President of the Sisters of Saint Francis beginning on September 1, 2004; and

**Whereas**, during her tenure with Legal Aid of Western Missouri, Sister Jan Cebula focused on helping the homeless and others who oftentimes were suffering from mental illness or mental or physical disability; and

**Whereas**, in addition to her leadership with Legal Aid of Western Missouri, Sister Jan Cebula lived at Holy Family Catholic Worker House in Kansas City for ten years, during which time she provided outreach to the homeless through the organization's shelter and soup kitchen; and

**Whereas**, Sister Jan Cebula also deserves mention of her receipt of a Social Security Administration Award and her earlier work as a junior high science teacher in the year prior to her studies at law school; and

**Whereas**, after graduation from law school, Sister Jan Cebula worked for one year with the Missouri Catholic Conference before arriving at Legal Aid of Western Missouri:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive career of Sister Jan Cebula as a staff attorney for Legal Aid of Western Missouri and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she takes on new duties and responsibilities as President of the Sisters of Saint Francis; 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 Sister Jan Cebula of Clinton, Iowa.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative John Burnett  
 District No. 40

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. 4697, adopted December 22, 2004.

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 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker