

House Resolution No. 1068

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Rita Peterson, an educator in various fields of public education in Carthage, Missouri, has been chosen as a recipient of the Gold Key Award, a most impressive accolade to be bestowed upon her by the Carthage Chamber of Commerce on February 8, 2007, at Carthage Memorial Hall; and

Whereas, the purposes of the Golden Key Awards program are to recognize excellence in the teaching profession and to inform the public of the exceptional quality of instruction in the Carthage community; and

Whereas, a nominee for the Golden Key Award must be a certified teacher, administrator, or other certified staff member who instructs at any grade level from early childhood through grade twelve on a daily basis, be teaching or administering during the current school year in a public or private school in the Carthage community, and not be a previous winner; and

Whereas, the most important criterion to be used in evaluating teachers or administrators for nomination of the Golden Key Award is their ability to inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to reach their full potential through the educational process; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Rita Peterson has been teaching in Carthage for twenty-nine of her thirty-year career that began with her teaching typing and accounting classes and continues today with her teaching computer and business classes at Carthage High School; and

Whereas, Rita Peterson has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Steve Waggoner, and their three children, Erika, Derek, and Tiffany:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our congratulations to Rita Peterson on the auspicious occasion of her garnering the coveted Golden Key Award; 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 Rita Peterson.

Offered by _____
Representative Steve Hunter
District No. 127

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1068, adopted March 8, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker