

House Resolution No. 817

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State educators who admirably contribute an exceptional amount of time and energy to ensuring that students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, E. Lynn Suydam has attained considerable distinction as the President of Saint Louis Community College-Meramec, a leadership calling that he is bringing to a close in well-deserved retirement after eight years of service; and

Whereas, Lynn Suydam became President of the Meramec campus in 1999, after which time he was instrumental in identifying the site and conceptualizing the plans for the South County Education and University Center that helps students pursue four-year degrees through partnerships with the University of Missouri-Saint Louis, Southeast Missouri State University, and Harris-Stowe State University; and

Whereas, President Lynn Suydam also fostered inclusion of civic engagement and service learning into the core curriculum at Meramec and developed service-area high school partnerships to help students successfully transition from high school to college through such programs as Project Launch, Transitions, and the Project Team Recruitment Mobile Registration Unit; and

Whereas, Lynn Suydam brought to the office of president a wealth of expertise that he had garnered from earlier employment as vice president for instruction at Belleville Area College, dean of instructional affairs at Columbia-Greene Community College, administrative positions at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and at Rappahannock Community College, and as a teacher at the secondary and postsecondary levels of education; and

Whereas, Lynn Suydam also deserves mention of the Antarctic research that he conducted through the auspices of the College of William and Mary in Gloucester Point, Virginia:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered by Lynn Suydam as an educator and administrator and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 E. Lynn Suydam of Saint Louis Community College-Meramec.

Offered by _____
Representative Kathlyn Fares
District No. 91

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. 817, adopted February 27, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker