

House Resolution No. 1037

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize those Show-Me State businesses that have proven down through the years to be exemplary components of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Empire District Electric Company of Bolivar, Missouri, attained considerable distinction during the winter storm that occurred from January 12-January 14, 2007; and

Whereas, the 400 employees of Empire District Electric Company worked sixteen hours each day to restore power to the 85,000 members who were removed from the electrical grid by the ice storm; and

Whereas, assisted by 1,565 mutual aid volunteers from other organizations, Empire District Electric Company had hooked up nearly 50,000 of its powerless customers by January 20, 2007; and

Whereas, Empire District Electric Company has been committed to its customers and the communities it serves for nearly 100 years; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative endeavors in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri businesses as Empire District Electric Company at momentous times in their illustrious histories:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the employees and administrators of Empire District Electric Company and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations for their dedication and hard work during the ice storm of January 12-January 14, 2007; 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 Empire District Electric Company of Bolivar, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Parson
District No. 133

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. 1037, adopted March 7, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker