

## House Resolution No. 1000

**Whereas**, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to recognize the meritorious endeavors of outstanding Missourians, a task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange of Elsberry, Missouri, retired from his position as Fire Chief with the Elsberry Fire Protection District on February 3, 2007, following forty years of service to the District; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange is an outstanding individual who faithfully performed his important duties and responsibilities with the utmost professionalism, conscientiousness, and fairness; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange commenced his career as Fire Chief of the Elsberry Volunteer Fire Department on February 3, 1970, and maintained that position when the Department became a Fire District in 1999; and

**Whereas**, an active member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bernard Bange has also enjoyed recognition by working as a mechanic at Galloway Brothers Implement for more than fifty years and by serving as Secretary/Treasurer of the Elsberry Fire Protection District Board; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange will undoubtedly look back over the past several years and reminisce about his many worthwhile experiences and his special relationships with revered colleagues while basking in the glow of a successful career now at its end; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Donna Bange; and two children and their spouses, Mike and Janelle Bange and Maria and Robert Gilbert; and

**Whereas**, Bernard Bange will be the guest of honor during an Elsberry Fire Protection District dinner and meeting to be held on March 10, 2007, at Sacred Heart Parish Hall:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in expressing deep gratitude for the superb service that Bernard Bange rendered to the Elsberry Fire Protection District during the past forty years and in wishing him ample opportunity to enjoy the better things life has to offer; 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 Bernard Bange.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

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. 1000, adopted March 6, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker