

## House Resolution No. 1523

**Whereas**, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary civic leaders in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Joan Israelite of Lee's Summit, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as President and CEO of the Arts Council of Metropolitan Kansas City, an organization that she has led since its inception in 1999; and

**Whereas**, on May 3, 2007, Joan Israelite will enhance her already impressive record of achievement when she is presented with a Trudy Award from the Kansas City Young Audiences at its annual Arts for Living and Learning Luncheon; and

**Whereas**, named in honor of Gertrude "Trudy" Zeigler, the Trudy Award is given to Joan Israelite in light of her tireless work for the arts in the greater Kansas City metropolitan area; and

**Whereas**, Joan Israelite is a board member of the Missouri Arts Council, Missouri Cultural Trust, National Council of the Arts, Greater Kansas City Convention and Visitors Association, and Norman and Elaine Polsky Foundation; and

**Whereas**, prior to heading the Arts Council, Joan Israelite had developed and maintained an excellent reputation to her unparalleled efforts with the Kansas City Symphony, Lyric Opera, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City, Heart of America Family Services, and Women's Leadership Institute at Avila College and as a Peace Corps volunteer who served in Brazil for two years; and

**Whereas**, Joan Israelite is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved wife of Steve Israelite, whom she married forty-two years ago; the loving mother of David and Aaron; and the devoted grandmother of three wonderful children:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Joan Israelite for a Trudy Award from the Kansas City Young Audiences organization and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; 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 Joan Israelite of Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jerry Nolte  
District No. 33

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. 1523, adopted March 28, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker