

House Resolution No. 1594

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State youths who admirably demonstrate their true potential as lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders through the excellence of their achievements as students; and

Whereas, Zach White has attained considerable distinction as a student at Saint Charles Community College; and

Whereas, during the fall of 2006, Zach White submitted a two-minute movie titled "The Politician" to the Saint Louis International Film Festival, where it placed First in a field of ten finalists in the Gimme Truth competition sponsored by local access station KDHX-TV; and

Whereas, "The Politician" started as a four-minute video produced by Zach White for a communication's class, and it featured fellow student John Hogan who is a sixty-something year old former politician from Cottleville; and

Whereas, a graduate of Saint Charles High School, Zach White was inspired to make movies during his junior year by mentor educators Jean Ehlmann and Anthony Sikuade; and

Whereas, Zach White has produced dozens of other short films, including one about Vietnam, one about his grandmother, and one for a Civil War history project; and

Whereas, humor and irony inspired by human foibles are essential elements in the videography of Zach White, who has taken inspiration from coworkers and customers at a local department store, from the work of Martin Scorsese and Quentin Tarantino, and from his heroes Chuck Norris, Mel Gibson, Tom Hanks, and local meteorologist Dave Murray of KTVI Channel 2; and

Whereas, when not studying, working as a file clerk at an insurance company, or serving as a part-time soccer referee for the Saint Charles County Youth Soccer Association, Zach White enjoys gardening with his father, dancing, house painting, playing pool, and paying attention all things related to media:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the First Prize garnered by amateur filmmaker Zach White at the 2006 Saint Louis International Film Festival and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and artistic 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 Zach White.

Offered by _____
Representative Joe Smith
District No. 14

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. 1594, adopted March 29, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker