

## House Resolution No. 1688

**Whereas**, The Exodus, an all-ages nightclub promoting Christian values and family entertainment is scheduled to open in Wentzville, Missouri, in the fall of 2007; and

**Whereas**, located in the Mall at Wentzville Crossings, The Exodus is owned by Cory Atkinson and Darain Atkinson who purchased the facility last March; and

**Whereas**, Chris Rowton, General Manager and Director of The Exodus, believes the facility will fill a need within the community; and

**Whereas**, the \$2.5 million 100,000-square-foot nightclub is the first of two phases of an alcohol- and smoke-free facility to include a bowling alley, rock-climbing wall, and video arcade, and possibly a cinema; and

**Whereas**, Cory Atkinson and Darain Atkinson are basing their plan on the success of places such as Club 3 Degrees in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Rocketown, a 40,000-square-foot entertainment center that has an indoor skate park, coffee bar, and three stages located in Nashville, Tennessee; and the Bridge in Joplin, a club in southwestern Missouri that also combines entertainment, recreation, and Christianity:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously in congratulating Cory Atkinson, Darain Atkinson, and Chris Rowton as they prepare to open The Exodus in Wentzville and in wishing them only the best of success in all future endeavors; 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 in honor of The Exodus.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bob Onder  
District No. 13

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. 1688, adopted April 2, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker