

House Resolution No. 1840

Whereas, Benjamin Lee Hopper, of Branson, Missouri, will receive the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held on Sunday, April 15, 2007, at the Branson United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, Benjamin Lee Hopper, a member of Boy Scout Troop 2001, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project and meeting all other criteria; and

Whereas, Benjamin Lee Hopper's Eagle project consisted of planning and replacing a railroad tie at the Paul Henning Conservation Area; cleared the steps at the trail-head of dirt, rocks, and debris; and rebuilt the tread of the trail for span of five hundred feet; and

Whereas, Benjamin Lee Hopper has demonstrated the leadership qualities requisite for holding the positions of Troop Guide, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, and Assistant Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, in his eleven years in Scouting, Benjamin Lee Hopper has to his credit twenty-one merit badges, and he has attended summer camp, the Sea Base Mountain Man Rendezvous, spring and fall camporees, and Klondikes; and

Whereas, being an Eagle Scout has always carried with it a special significance, not only in Scouting but also as he enters higher education, business or industry, and community service, and the award is a performance-based achievement whose standards have been well-maintained over the years; and

Whereas, not every boy who joins a Boy Scout troop earns the Eagle Scout rank, but only about five percent of all Boy Scouts do so; and

Whereas, the goals of Scouting—citizenship training, character development, and personal fitness—remain important for all Scouts, whether or not they attain the Eagle Scout rank; and

Whereas, Benjamin Lee Hopper realizes that the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that requires considerable dedication and effort:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our congratulations to Benjamin Lee Hopper and wish him every success in all his 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 for presentation to Eagle Scout Benjamin Lee Hopper.

Offered by _____
Representative Dennis Wood
District No. 62

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. 1840, adopted April 11, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker