

House Resolution No. 1929

Whereas, it is with distinct 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 esteemed Show-Me State educators who admirably contribute an exceptional amount of time and energy to helping students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Gerald Whistance of Halfway, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a Vocational Agriculture Instructor in the Halfway R-III School District, an educational calling that he will draw to a close on June 30, 2007, in well-deserved retirement after thirty-three years of service; and

Whereas, Gerald Whistance has served as the Future Farmers of America advisor for thirty-three years and has received an Honorary State FFA Degree, an Honorary American FFA Degree, and a Distinguished Service Award from that esteemed agricultural organization; and

Whereas, in addition to his educational work, Gerald Whistance has developed and maintained an excellent reputation in light of his activities with the Halfway Lions Club, the Polk County Farm Bureau, Christian Builders, Bright Horizons Early Childhood Development Center, the Community Blood Drive, and the Hominy Creek Agriculture NPS SALT Project and as a 4-H Project leader, Hunter Safety instructor, and deacon at Pleasant Hope First Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Gerald Whistance can look back on his educational career and receive tremendous satisfaction from the diverse successes of his students during their time in school and after their graduation; and

Whereas, Gerald Whistance is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Karen and the loving father of Jeremy, Jordan, Jarrett, and Carrie:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and career of Gerald Whistance and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 Gerald Whistance of Halfway, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Mike Parson
 District No. 133

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. 1929, adopted April 16, 2007.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker