

## House Resolution No. 2627

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the 2007 recipients of The Daily Record's "Legal Leaders of the Year" have been recognized for legal accomplishments and dedication to the Kansas City community; and

**Whereas**, after receiving approximately thirty nominations, a panel composed of members from the Kansas City legal community chose this year's winners; and

**Whereas**, that group consisted of Nancy Kenner, of Kenner & Kavanaugh, Daniel McCarroll, of the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, Sly James, of The Sly James Firm, Judge Duane Benton, of the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, Brianne Hampton, of Secretary at Law, and Greg Bentz, of Shughart Thomson & Kilroy; and

**Whereas**, among the ten Legal Leaders of the Year is Denise Anderson, who joined Polsinelli Shalton Flanigan Suelthaus in October after running her own firm for several years; and

**Whereas**, Denise Anderson turned part of her law firm into a gallery that displays work done by "artists who dabble in law", and she is writing a book about the challenge of raising five children, going to law school and building a career as a lawyer; and

**Whereas**, the fourth annual Legal Leaders of the Year awards luncheon will be held on April 20, 2007, at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center, and Douglas Linder, UMKC School of Law professor and the creator of the Famous Trials Web site, which receives an average of one million hits per month, will be the keynote speaker; and

**Whereas**, John Holt, an anchor at FOX 4 News who holds a law degree from the University of Kansas School of Law, will be the master of ceremonies during the luncheon:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our deepest congratulations to Denise Anderson on the auspicious occasion of her being named a Legal Leader of the Year; 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 Denise Anderson, a Kansas City Legal Leader of the Year.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bryan Pratt  
District No. 55

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. 2627, adopted April 24, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker