

House Resolution No. 2695

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize a remarkable Missouri citizen whose efforts and accomplishments have made her a source of inspiration to all those around her; and

Whereas, Robyn McDowell, a second grade teacher at Pleasant Valley Elementary School in Carthage, Missouri, has been chosen as a recipient of the Golden Key Award, a most impressive accolade to be bestowed upon her by the Carthage Chamber of Commerce on February 8, 2007, at Carthage Memorial Hall; and

Whereas, the purpose of the Golden Key Awards program is to recognize excellence in the teaching profession and to inform the public of the exceptional quality of instruction in the Carthage community; and

Whereas, a nominee for the Golden Key Award must be a certified teacher, administrator, or other certified staff member who instructs at any grade level from early childhood through grade twelve on a daily basis; be teaching or administering during the current school year in a public or private school in the Carthage community; and not be a previous winner; and

Whereas, the most important criterion to be used in evaluating teachers or administrators for nomination of the Golden Key Award is their ability to inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities to reach their full potential through the educational process; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Robyn McDowell began substitute teaching in the Lamar R-I School District after earning a degree at Pittsburg State University in 1983, since which time she has taught in La Harpe, Kansas, where she started the first kindergarten program, the Jasper County R-V School District, and the Carthage R-IX School District, where she taught at Mark Twain Elementary School and Steadley Elementary School prior to assuming her current responsibilities at Pleasant Valley Elementary School; and

Whereas, Robyn McDowell has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Bill McDowell; and three children, Carrie, and twin boys, Michael and Matthew:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Robyn McDowell for her selection to receive the Golden Key Award and in further wishing her continued 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 for Robyn McDowell.

Offered by _____

Representative Steve Hunter

District No. 127

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. 2695, adopted April 25, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker