

## House Resolution No. 3103

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State businesses that admirably deepen and broaden the economic foundations of local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Tom Wapelhorst of Saint Charles, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as the owner of Walters' Jewelry, Incorporated, which was founded on November 28, 1916, by Charles Walters; and

**Whereas**, on May 16, 2007, Tom Wapelhorst will enhance his already impressive record of achievement when he receives the 2007 Small Business Person of the Year Award from the Saint Charles Chamber of Commerce; and

**Whereas**, Tom Wapelhorst will receive his Small Business Person of the Year Award at the Saint Charles Chamber of Commerce Small Business Person of the Year luncheon at The Columns Banquet and Conference Center in Saint Charles; and

**Whereas**, Tom Wapelhorst currently employs five persons, with extra help brought in during the end of the year holiday season; and

**Whereas**, under the astute entrepreneurial leadership of Tom Wapelhorst, Walters' Jewelry has developed and maintained an excellent reputation as a supplier of high quality diamond, colored stone, and gold jewelry; and

**Whereas**, Tom Wapelhorst ensures that Walters' Jewelry meets the needs and desires of its customers with honesty, integrity, and service, and he also contributes to the greater community through his service to the Parish Council of Saint Peter Church, the Tourism Center, and the Convention Center:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Tom Wapelhorst as the 2007 Small Business Person of the Year by the Saint Charles Chamber of Commerce and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; 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 Tom Wapelhorst, owner of Walters' Jewelry of Saint Charles, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Tom Dempsey  
District No. 18

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Representative Carl Bearden  
District No. 16

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. 3103, adopted May 2, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker