

## House Resolution No. 2814

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through many years of excellence in the workplace; and

**Whereas**, Richard Cole, an esteemed resident of Higginsville, Missouri, will officially retire from the Lexington R-V School District on July 1, 2007, after eleven years of exceptional service and dedication; and

**Whereas**, Richard Cole has played an integral role in the educational development of numerous Missouri students throughout his impressive tenure as the Director of the Student Success Center, during which time he has greatly enjoyed working with students and helping them pursue their educational goals; and

**Whereas**, prior to joining the Lexington R-V School District, Richard Cole gained an immeasurable amount of experience from the various roles he played with the Lafayette County C-1 School District for eighteen years, including taking one of his girls' basketball teams to the State Final Four; and

**Whereas**, a Lafayette County Election Judge who holds degrees from Northwest Missouri State University, Central Missouri State University, and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, Richard Cole is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Missouri State Teachers Association, Lexington Community Teachers Association, and the Lafayette County C-1 Board of Education; and

**Whereas**, Richard Cole has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Bernadette; his five children, Sarah, Gretchen, Zac, Maggie, and Abbey; and his three grandchildren, Olivia, Grayson, and Ethan:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Richard Cole for his twenty-nine years of unparalleled service to the Lexington R-V School District and to the education of Missouri's youngest citizens;

**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 Richard Cole.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Joe Aull  
District No. 26

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. 2814, adopted April 30, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker