

## House Resolution No.

**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**, Dr. John A. Urkevich will officially retire from the Northwest R-I School District on June 30, 2007, after thirty-six years of exceptional service and dedication to the teaching profession; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Urkevich has played an integral role in the lives of numerous Missouri youngsters as the Superintendent of the Northwest R-I School District for the past five years, during which time he has witnessed with pleasure an increase in daily attendance and graduation rate, and an improvement in student achievement resulting in a "Distinction in Performance" award; and

**Whereas**, prior to joining the Northwest R-I School District, Dr. Urkevich gained an immeasurable amount of experience from the teaching and administrative positions he held with the St. Charles School District from 1992 to 2002, the Harrisonville Public Schools from 1986 to 1992, South Carolina Department of Education in 1985, the Houston Independent School District in 1985, the Ottawa Unified School District from 1981 to 1986, and Turner Unified School District from 1967 to 1968 and 1970 to 1981; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Urkevich is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Missouri Association of School Administrators, American Association of School Administrators, Highway 30 Foundation, Northwest Lions Educational Alliance, Northwest Chamber of Commerce, High Ridge Rotary Club, and the Fenton Chamber of Commerce; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Urkevich has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Linda; his two children, Ashley and Casey; his daughter-in-law, Melissa; and his two grandchildren, Evan and Carter:

**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 Dr. Urkevich for his thirty-six years of unparalleled service to the Northwest R-I School District and to the education of this state and nation's youngest citizens; 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 Dr. John A. Urkevich.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Michael R. Frame  
 District No. 105

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. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker