

House Resolution No. 3595

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has demonstrated exceptional skill as a leader of his peers; and

Whereas, Michael Wilbanks of Rolla, Missouri, recently received top honors for excellence in competition during the 2007 International DECA Career Development Conference held in Orlando, Florida; and

Whereas, one of twenty-nine Missouri high school students to receive international recognition, Michael Wilbanks put forth a tremendous degree of effort while competing with thirteen thousand of the best and brightest high school marketing students from across the United States and Canada; and

Whereas, DECA's internationally recognized program of competitive events uses interviews, tests, role-plays, and written project reports to evaluate marketing, management, and entrepreneurship skills identified by the nation's marketing, management and entrepreneurship industry as essential for success in the global industry of today; and

Whereas, Missouri marketing and cooperative education's co-curricular philosophy closely integrates classroom instruction, DECA, and the internship component allowing students opportunities to apply classroom knowledge in realistic, problem-based settings; and

Whereas, an outstanding student at Rolla Technical Institute in Rolla, Michael Wilbanks received Third Place in the International DECA Muscular Dystrophy Association Fundraising Campaign; and

Whereas, Michael Wilbanks holds local, state, and international DECA membership and takes pride in the enviable list of achievements he has acquired at Rolla Technical Institute as a member of Key Club, Spanish Club, A+ Tutor, Octagon Club, Drama Kids, Random Acts of Kindness, Soccer, Track, and Passion for Christ; and

Whereas, Michael Wilbanks has achieved his every ambition with the love, support, and encouragement he has continually received from his proud and loving parents Wendy and Joe Wilbanks:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, unanimously join together with the staff and student body at Rolla Technical Institute in extending our most hearty congratulations to Michael Wilbanks at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his 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 Michael Wilbanks, as he is honored at the Missouri Governor's Mansion in Jefferson City on May 25, 2007.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob May
District No. 149

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. 3595, adopted May 11, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker