

House Resolution No. 4058

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Gwendolyn Collier, a Program Specialist for the Department of Human Services/Youth and Family Division; and

Whereas, Gwen Collier developed and served as Director of the premier, full-service Victim Services function within the Family Court-Juvenile Division in 1997 and has for the last six years served as LifeSkills Facilitator with young male and female offenders referred from the Court; and

Whereas, Gwen Collier developed the M.I.N.E. Youth Program, an after-school mentoring program which serves at-risk youth in the City of St. Louis utilizing culturally competent, innovative and non-traditional, gender-specific curriculum, and Gwen Collier has sustained levels of quality service in its successful operation; and

Whereas, a product of the St. Louis Public Schools, Gwen Collier attended National Louis University and Washburn University; and

Whereas, Gwen Collier has served her community for more than twenty-five years in social services in various capacities and roles of leadership, service that was recognized and led to her being published in the Office of Juvenile Justice's national publication "New Directions from the Field":

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our gratitude to Gwen Collier for her many years of service to her community and particularly to the young people in the City of St. Louis; 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 Gwendolyn Collier.

Offered by _____
Representative Jamilah Nasheed
District No. 60

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. 4058, adopted June 15, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker