

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, John O. "Jack" Roberts of Saint Clair, Missouri, will be presented with a Community Heritage Award on October 10, 2007, during the 2007 Governor's Humanities Awards ceremony and high tea that will take place at the Missouri Governor's Mansion in Jefferson City, Missouri; and

Whereas, Jack Roberts has earned a Community Heritage Award in light of his significant achievements and special contributions related to a community's understanding of its heritage; and

Whereas, for the past eighteen years, Jack Roberts has devoted his time and energy to creating the Saint Clair Historical Museum; and

Whereas, Jack Roberts founded the institution in 1989, established its Board, and acquired its not-for-profit status as an organization that cultivates ongoing donations of artifacts and museum facilities, labor, and supplies; and

Whereas, in 1991 Jack Roberts negotiated the donation of a vacant Odd Fellows Hall to house the museum, which today consists of sixteen exhibits on the first floor and an additional sixteen exhibits on the second floor; and

Whereas, Jack Roberts has contributed more than 20,000 volunteer hours as Chairman of the Board and as a volunteer Curator who has produced a 28-minute video narrated by a number of octogenarians reminiscing about historic happenings in the community; and

Whereas, Jack Roberts successfully incorporates individual students, Scout groups, and the high school History Club in the workings of the Saint Clair Historical Museum and raises funds through the sale of five different sets of postcards reproduced from museum collections; and

Whereas, Jack Roberts also has been instrumental in the purchase, renovation, and registry of the Panhorst Feed Store and International Shoe Company properties and in the work of Kiwanis:

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 Jack Roberts for a 2007 Community Heritage Award through the Governor's Humanities Awards program and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in life 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 for presentation to John O. "Jack" Roberts of Saint Clair, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Nieves
District No. 98

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.

Rod Jetton, Speaker