

House Resolution No. 226

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have challenged themselves through the diverse venues provided to them by participation in the FFA organization; and

Whereas, Devon Bowne of Centralia, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as a student who was integrally involved with the FFA program at his local high school; and

Whereas, Devon Bowne enhanced his already impressive record of achievement when he was awarded the American FFA Degree at the 80th National Convention, which was held during October 2007; and

Whereas, Devon Bowne demonstrated impressive leadership abilities and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing, and service programs by earning the highest degree awarded by the National FFA organization; and

Whereas, the son of Marty and Cindy Bowne and the brother of Joni Bowne, Devon Bowne joined an elite group composed of less than one in 165 FFA members who advance through their local chapter and state FFA degree programs to earn the American FFA Degree; and

Whereas, during his high school years, Devon Bowne also was involved in National Honor Society and shop class, for which he built a 25-foot gooseneck trailer; and

Whereas, currently studying at Linn State Technical College, Devon Bowne plans to return to the farm as an owner/operator after he graduates with an Associate of Applied Science degree in heavy equipment technology in May 2008; and

Whereas, the National FFA Convention is the nation's largest annual youth gathering and welcomes students, parents, and educators from across the United States:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the diverse achievements garnered down through the years by Devon Bowne and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon receiving the American FFA Degree at the 80th National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana; 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 in honor of Devon Bowne of Centralia, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Paul Quinn
District No. 9

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 226, adopted January 24, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker