

House Resolution No. 634

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Kyle William Downs of Troop 314 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on March 30, 2008, at Platte Woods United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Kyle through the billets of Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Den Chief, and Troop Guide; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Kyle earned him an Arrow of Light, induction into the Order of the Arrow Brotherhood, the status of Foxman in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, and thirty-three merit badges that are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Kyle applied the knowledge that he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including three sessions at H. Roe Bartle Scout Camp; and

Whereas, Kyle completed an Eagle Project that consisted of installing a butterfly garden, bench, and butterfly houses at Thomas B. Chinn Elementary School to honor teacher Mary Sue Grant, to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career, and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait that justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Kyle Downs during his six-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; 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 new Eagle Scout Kyle William Downs, son of William and Sonya Downs of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Jason Grill
District No. 32

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. 634, adopted February 13, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker