

## House Resolution No. 3284

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who admirably help students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

**Whereas**, Blake Skillman of Bowling Green, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as an educator in the Bowling Green R-I School District, a vocational calling that he will draw to a close on June 30, 2008, in well-deserved retirement after twenty-seven years of service; and

**Whereas**, currently the Athletic Director, A+ Coordinator, and Track Coach, Blake Skillman previously served as a bus driver, groundskeeper, middle school physical education teacher, driver education teacher, health teacher, and coach for girls basketball, softball, track, and football; and

**Whereas**, Blake Skillman has brought to his work at Bowling Green a wealth of expertise garnered from an additional two years in the Climax Springs School District; and

**Whereas**, no stranger to honors and accolades, Blake Skillman was selected as the Northeast Missouri Coach of the Year for girls basketball in 1997; and

**Whereas**, Blake Skillman has helped ensure the highest standards of conduct and performance in his chosen field of endeavor through his membership in the Missouri State Teachers Association and the Missouri Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association; and

**Whereas**, Blake Skillman is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Donna Skillman, loving father of Matt and Jennifer Skillman and of Amanda Skillman, wonderful grandfather of Ella Skillman, and devoted son of Tom Skillman; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of such outstanding Missouri educators as Blake Skillman:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal, academic, and athletic accomplishments garnered by Blake Skillman during his tenure as an educator and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 Blake Skillman as a measure of the high esteem in which we hold him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

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. 3284, adopted May 27, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker