

## House Resolution No. 1693

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me state residents who admirably answer the national call to patriotic service through their enlistment in any of the branches that make up the United States armed forces; and

**Whereas**, Stephen Korte of rural Bowling Green, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a Chief Petty Officer in the United States Naval Reserves; and

**Whereas**, in the military for sixteen years, Stephen Korte recently returned from a deployment with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Fifteen, of which he was a member of the Operations Department and the Movement Control Chief supervising all logistical movements to, from, and in theater for the 500 personnel in the Battalion; and

**Whereas**, Chief Petty Officer Stephen Korte previously served in Iraq during 2004 as a transportation supervisor with a Joint Task Force; and

**Whereas**, Chief Petty Officer Stephen Korte will be given public accolades on April 20, 2008, by his hometown community at Saint Clement Church in celebration of his safe return from overseas deployment in the War on Terror; and

**Whereas**, no stranger to honors, Chief Petty Officer Stephen Korte has earned the Army Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Iraqi Freedom Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service medals, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, four Navy Battle "E" Ribbons, a National Defense Service Medal, four Naval Reserve Meritorious Service medals, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Expert Rifle and Expert Pistol medals, Seabee Combat Warfare Specialist qualification, and NMCB 15 and 9th Naval Construction Regiment Sailor of the Year recognition; and

**Whereas**, Stephen Korte is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Angi; loving father of Samantha, Devyn, and Luke; and devoted son of Wayne and Pam Korte:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Chief Petty Officer Stephen Korte and to convey to him this legislative body's warmest welcome back to his home state of Missouri after serving on active duty in Iraq; 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 Stephen Korte of Bowling Green, Missouri, 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. 1693, adopted April 9, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker