

House Resolution No. 3324

Whereas, the members of the Missouri Senate are fully cognizant of the important role which the Royal Rangers organization plays in offering a well-rounded program of activities designed to prepare young men for the many diverse challenges of responsible citizenship; and

Whereas, Philip Kovach has earned the distinction of the Gold Medal of Achievement, the highest honor of the Royal Ranger Program; and

Whereas, Philip Kovach successfully met the requirements to the Gold Medal of Achievement by meeting all the required criteria, which includes being at least 12 years (and at least in the 6th grade) but less than 18 years old; having been a Silver Medalist for at least three months; having completed 24 merits, 16 of those chosen from a required list and eight personal choice; having served in a leadership (junior) position for at least six months; having written a 500-word essay on “The Value of Royal Rangers to Me”; and completing a Christian Service Project; and

Whereas, Royal Rangers is a ministry that reaches across the United States and in over 65 nations around the world that motivates boys spiritually through Bible study and memorization, devotionals, and Christian role models; and

Whereas, the Life of a Royal Ranger includes great outdoor adventures through camping, water activities, hiking, repelling, and mountain climbing, as well as challenging indoor adventures, with opportunities year-round to attend tremendous camping events at the outpost, district, or national levels; and

Whereas, boys are strengthened mentally by an advanced awards-based weekly program, increase their physical prowess by participation in age-specific activities and recreation, and are introduced to church, community, and nature-related activities to develop their social skills and awareness; and

Whereas, first offered in 1963, the Gold Medal of Achievement is a medal of great distinction and honor, and in its forty-year history the Gold Medal of Achievement has been earned by over 5,000 boys aged 12 through 17 years:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Philip Kovach on the momentous occasion of earning the Gold Medal of Achievement, an honor earned by slightly less than one percent of the boys involved in Royal Rangers; 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 Royal Ranger Philip Kovach.

Offered by _____
Representative B.J. Marsh
District No. 136

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. 3324, adopted June 2, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker