

## House Resolution No. 3701

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their achievements in the field of athletics; and

**Whereas**, Christian Cantwell of Columbia, Missouri, is a 1999 graduate of Eldon High School who continued his education at the University of Missouri-Columbia, where he has been an active participant in shot put and hammer throw track and field events as a student athlete and as a volunteer coach; and

**Whereas**, Christian Cantwell recently enhanced his already impressive record of accomplishments when he qualified for the United States Olympic Team through a second-place shot put of 71 feet, 2.75 inches at the United States of America Track and Field Olympic Team Trials in Eugene, Oregon; and

**Whereas**, a professional athlete sponsored by Nike since 2004, Christian Cantwell is a six-time Big 12 Champion for the indoor and outdoor shot put and the indoor hammer throw, the 2004 World Indoor Champion, the 2004 United States Indoor Champion, the 2003 World Athletics Final Champion, a seven-time All-American Athlete, a two-time International Association of Athletics Federations World Indoor Champion, seventeen-time All Big 12 athlete, and four-time USATF Champion; and

**Whereas**, Christian Cantwell is the beloved husband of 2000 United States Olympian Terri Steer and the loving father of Jackson Cantwell, who was born on May 27, 2008; and

**Whereas**, Christian Cantwell is justifiably proud also to be known as the son of Bob and Jackie Cantwell, the grandson of Margaret Cantwell, and the sibling of eight brothers and sisters; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of such outstanding Missouri citizens as Christian Cantwell:

**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 and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Christian Cantwell and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations for earning a spot on the United States Olympic Team competing in Beijing, China, in 2008; 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 Christian Cantwell of Columbia, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Rodney Schad  
District No. 115

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. 3701, adopted July 24, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker