

## House Resolution No. 3871

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their achievements in the field of journalism; and

**Whereas**, Jeff Cunningham of Jackson, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a news anchor for Heartland News on KFVS12 television, the CBS Network affiliate that serves the Cape Girardeau, Paducah, and Harrisburg television market; and

**Whereas**, Jeff Cunningham recently enhanced his already impressive record of accomplishment when he was presented with a Gold Award in the News category at the 29th Annual Broadcast Journalism Awards sponsored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association; and

**Whereas**, Jeff Cunningham placed first in the News category for his entry titled "Our Little Miracle" chronicling the birth of his daughter and her battle with Nemaline Rod Myopathy, which is one of the diseases associated with muscular dystrophy; and

**Whereas**, "Our Little Miracle" is a multi-part series that was one of only twenty-two winners selected from nearly 250 entries in the national competition; and

**Whereas**, Jeff Cunningham is the local cohost of the annual Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon, which raised more than \$606,000 from KFVS12 viewers in 2007; and

**Whereas**, Jeff Cunningham is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved husband of Andrea Cunningham and the loving father of Melaina Cunningham; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Jeff Cunningham at momentous times in their lives:

**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 career of Jeff Cunningham and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon earning a Gold Award at the 29th Annual Broadcast Journalism Awards sponsored by the Muscular Dystrophy Association; 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 Jeff Cunningham of Jackson, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Scott A. Lipke  
District No. 157

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. 3871, adopted August 11, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker