

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. _____

Whereas, the members of the Missouri Senate always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State communities and neighborhoods that have proven down through the years to be exemplary places in which to live, work, and raise families; and

Whereas, a Salute to Construction awards banquet will be held in Springfield, Missouri, on November 6, 2008, in order to give well-deserved public recognition to the Developer of the Year, Project of the Year, Superintendent and Craftsman of the Year, scholarship recipients, photography contest winners, and others; and

Whereas, Salute to Construction 2008 is the twenty-fourth such gathering of design and construction associations in the Springfield area; and

Whereas, the design and construction industry is the fourth largest contributor to the Springfield economy and makes significant contributions statewide through its skilled trades workers, administrators, architects, engineers, surveyors, designers, and support staff; and

Whereas, the design and construction industry adds economic stability to the Springfield area by remaining vibrant during tough economic times; and

Whereas, Salute to Construction 2008 will incorporate groups of volunteers representing design and construction professionals who will spend two weeks traveling to technical colleges, high schools, and middle schools in Springfield, Aurora, Branson, Billings, Clever, Fair Grove, Fordland, Marionville, Miller, Mount Vernon, Nixa, Ozark, Republic, Rogersville, Spokane, and Willard in order to speak to students about the thousands of gainful employment opportunities available to persons of various ages and interests in the design and construction field; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri Senate should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such outstanding and beneficial Missouri events as Salute to Construction 2008:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that we, the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the history, goals, and planning involved in Salute to Construction 2008 and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for highly successful events; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Salute to Construction 2008.