

House Resolution No. 4631

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations that are dedicated to improving quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the Kehrs Mill View Garden Club of Ballwin, Missouri, was established in 1959 as a member of Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, which itself is an affiliate of National Garden Clubs, Incorporated; and

Whereas, on September 9, 2007, the Kehrs Mill View Garden Club will enhance its already impressive record of achievement when it unveils its inaugural Blue Star Memorial plaque in Vlasis Park; and

Whereas, Blue Star Memorials honor all of the armed forces-- past, present, and future--as part of a program that was initiated in 1945 to laud men and women serving during World War II; and

Whereas, Blue Star Memorials are found along highways, at veterans facilities, and in national cemeteries, parks, and civic and historic sites throughout the contiguous United States, Alaska, and Hawaii and take as their namesake the star on banners displayed in homes and businesses to denote a family member serving in the military; and

Whereas, the Kehrs Mill View Garden Club has proven down through the years to be an exemplary component of the Ballwin area through its cosponsoring Ballwin Days; selling thousands of yellow tulips for planting during the city's Fiftieth Anniversary celebration; donating money for landscaping at North Pointe Water Park; contributing trees for schools and area parks; delivering flower arrangements to the library, nursing homes, and city hall; giving programs at nursing homes and working with the residents; teaching conservation, flower arranging, and bird identification to young people; bestowing a Landscape Citation from the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri to an area business each year; and contributing to Circle of Concern, Nature Conservancy, World Gardening, Gateway Greening, Roadside Wildflowers, Missouri Botanical Garden, and State Scholarship Fund programs:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the Kehrs Mill View Garden Club and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of the placing of the organization's first-ever Blue Star Memorial; 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 in honor of the Kehrs Mill View Garden Club of Ballwin, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Neal St. Onge
District No. 88

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4631, adopted September 4, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker