

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating Tom Wyrsh upon the occasion of his retirement from Jackson County.

RESOLUTION NO. 20509, September 28, 2020

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Cass Galvin and Dan Tarwater III, County Legislators

WHEREAS, Tom Wyrsh, Chief Compliance Review Officer for Jackson County, is retiring after over thirteen years of service to the County; and,

WHEREAS, throughout his life Tom has led as an example of volunteerism, community service, and activism, traits he learned from his father, Fred Wyrsh, Sr.; and,

WHEREAS, Tom has many passions, including his beloved University of Central Missouri Mules, the Kansas City Royals, the Kansas City Comets, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the Kansas City St. Patrick's Day Parade; and,

WHEREAS, a third generation Irishman and one of the founding members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Tom was honored in 2001 as Grand Marshall and was inducted into the Fraternal Order of St. Patrick; and,

WHEREAS, Tom is known throughout the community for his political involvement, graduating from UCM with a degree in political science and working as an aide to United States Senator Stuart Symington, United States Senator Tom Eagleton, Congressman Dick Bolling, Congresswoman Karen McCarthy, Jackson County Executive Dale Baumgartner, and Kansas City Councilwoman Becky Nace; and,

WHEREAS, Tom is a long-time member and former Chairman of the Jackson County Democratic Committee and a 2001 recipient of the committee's Truman Award; and,

WHEREAS, Tom's commitment to volunteerism includes serving as judge of the Great Lenexa BBQ Contest, logistics chair for the American Royal Parade, a volunteer with the Kansas City Zoo's Jazzoo Festival, and president and member of the UCM Alumni Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, in 2015, the UCM Alumni Association honored Tom with the Distinguished Alumni Award for Service; and,

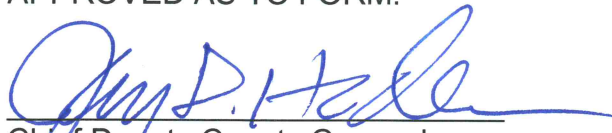
WHEREAS, Tom's daughter Callie was born in 1992 and quickly became her dad's sidekick for his many political, social, and sporting events; and,

WHEREAS, Callie is deeply proud of Tom's many accomplishments and looks forward to having many more opportunities to share with him, giving back to the community, cheering on the Comets, Royals, and Mules, promoting political ideals, or sharing a meal at Governor Stumpy's, Jess & Jim's, Southside Grille, Browne's Irish Marketplace, or the new Coach's on College – fondly dubbed his new remote office; now therefore,


BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri that the Legislature expresses its heartfelt gratitude to Tom Wyrsh on the occasion of his retirement and in recognition of his legacy of loyalty, community, service, activism, and kindness.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 20509 of September 28, 2020, was duly passed on September 28, 2020 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:


Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

9.28.2020
Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature