

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing the third annual Senior Corps Week to be held May 7 – 11, 2012.

RESOLUTION #17888, May 7, 2012

INTRODUCED BY Scott Burnett, County Legislator

WHEREAS, older Americans bring a lifetime of skills and experience as parents, workers, and citizens that can be tapped to meet challenges in our communities; and,

WHEREAS, for more than four decades Senior Corps, and its three programs – RSVP, Senior Companions, and Foster Grandparents – have proven to be a highly effective way to engage Americans ages 55 and over in meeting national and community needs; and,

WHEREAS, each year Senior Corps provides opportunities for nearly 330,000 older Americans across the nation to serve their communities; and,

WHEREAS, Senior Corps volunteers last year provided more than 96.2 million hours of service, helping to improve the lives of our most vulnerable citizens, strengthening our educational system, protecting our environment, providing independent living services, and contributing to our public safety; and,

WHEREAS, at a time of mounting social needs and growing interest in service by older Americans, there is an unprecedented opportunity to harness the talents of 55-plus volunteers to address community challenges; and,

WHEREAS, service by older Americans helps volunteers by keeping them active, healthy, and engaged, helps our communities by solving local problems, and helps our nation by saving taxpayer dollars, reducing healthcare costs, and strengthening our democracy; and,

WHEREAS, the third annual Senior Corps Week, taking place May 7 - 11, 2012, is an opportunity to thank Senior Corps volunteers for their service and recognize their positive impact and value to our communities and nation; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby designates May 7 - 11, 2012, as Senior Corps Week and urges citizens to recognize Senior Corps volunteers and programs for its valuable impact on our community.

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 #17888 of May 7, 2012, was duly passed on May 7, 2012 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:


Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

5.9.12
Date


Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature