

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing Jabir Hazziez, Jr., for bravely providing assistance during an in-flight emergency situation on November 30, 2011.

RESOLUTION #17765, January 3, 2012

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Garza Ruiz, Crystal Williams, Fred Arbanas, Scott Burnett, James D. Tindall, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Greg Grounds, and Bob Spence, County Legislators

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2011, Jabir Hazziez, Jr., was a passenger on a commercial airline flight from Atlanta, Georgia, to Kansas City, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, another passenger on the flight became disoriented because of a medical condition and attempted to open the cabin door while the plane was in the air; and,

WHEREAS, Jabir, a part-time Jackson County Sheriff's deputy and a Kansas City, Missouri firefighter, quickly jumped into action to assist with the emergency; and,

WHEREAS, when it became clear that the ill and agitated passenger would not calm down, Jabir used his law enforcement training to restrain the man; and,

WHEREAS, the airplane was diverted for an emergency landing at the Memphis International Airport with Jabir continuing to restrain the disturbed passenger; and,

WHEREAS, after medical personnel took custody of the passenger in Memphis, the plane safely resumed its flight to Kansas City with Jabir's fellow passengers extending a standing ovation to him for his heroic actions; and,

WHEREAS, Jabir's quick thinking and professional training as a deputy and a firefighter were instrumental and ensuring the safety of all the passengers and crew on the flight; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby honors Jabir Hazziez, Jr., on his heroic response during a flight emergency on November 30, 2011, and extends sincere appreciation for his actions.

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 #17765 of January 3, 2012, was duly passed on January 3, 2012 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:


Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

1/3/12
Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature