## IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating Kush Sharma of Kansas City, MO, on qualifying for the National Spelling Bee.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18470,** April 7, 2014

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Garza Ruiz, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Kush Sharma, a seventh grade student at Frontier School of Innovation in Kansas City, MO, qualified for the Scripps National Spelling Bee in a delayed final round held March 8, 2014, at the Kansas City Central Library; and,

WHEREAS, Kush and his final competitor, Sophia Hoffman, a fifth-grader from Lee's Summit, garnered media fame after exhausting all of the available words in 75 rounds of competition at the Jackson County Spelling Bee on February 22; and,

WHEREAS, in a dramatic finale, Kush and Sophia came together to complete the marathon spelling bee, going an additional 28 rounds before Kush prevailed; and,

WHEREAS, Kush will travel to National Harbor, MD, to participate in the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Scripps National Spelling Bee, May 27 - 29, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Kush was humble in his dramatic win over Sophia, offering a hug in consolation upon the finish; and,

WHEREAS, Kush's parents, A.K. Sharma and Dr. Shama Sharma, are justifiably proud of their son; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby congratulates Kush Sharma for qualifying for the National Spelling Bee, and extends best wishes to him in all of his future endeavors.

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 2014, was duly passed on Legislature. The votes thereon were as	
Yeas	Nays
Abstaining	Absent
<u> </u>	Mary Jo Spino Clerk of Legislature