



# Jackson County Missouri

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## Legislation Text

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### IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** commending Reverend Dr. Nelson "Fuzzy" Thompson on his retirement from the Mason Memorial United Methodist Church after fourteen (14) years of dedicated service.

**RESOLUTION # 15533**, June 20, 2005

**INTRODUCED BY** Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Scott Burnett, Eugene Standifer Jr.,  
Fred Arbanas, Bob Spence, Rhonda L. Shoemaker,  
Robert A. Stringfield, and Henry C. Rizzo, County Legislators

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Nelson "Fuzzy" Thompson has provided fourteen (14) years of service to the Mason Memorial United Methodist Church; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Thompson is the proud husband of Cheryl C. (Love) Thompson, to whom he has been married to for thirty-nine (39) years; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Thompson attended Central High School, received his Bachelor of Science in Education from Lincoln University, his Master of Divinity from St. Paul School of Theology, and his Doctor of Ministry from St. Paul School of Theology; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Thompson took part in international events such as his 1980 trip to Tehran, Iran as one of only three (3) U.S. ministers to conduct Easter services during the Iran Hostage Crisis, and his trip to South Africa in 1994 as one of only seventeen (17) U.S. ministers to serve as official

observers for the first all-race elections; and,

WHEREAS, in Kansas City, Reverend Thompson was a teacher of general science, biology, and physical education at Central High School from 1968-1971 and a community worker for the University of Missouri-Kansas City from 1968-1972; and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Thompson was involved in a number of community groups including the following: Chairman of the Northwest Political Faction (1972-1973), President of the Urban Ministries Council of Kansas City (1972-1980), President of the Black Clergy Committee (1972-1978), President of the Northeast Community Alliance (1974-1978), President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (1981-1985), Chairman of the Jackson County Sports Authority, and Executive Director for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Urban Center Inc., (1968-1998); and,

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Nelson "Fuzzy" Thompson's involvement in the community has made a lasting impact on the citizens of the Greater Kansas City Area and has inspired all who meet him; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature commend Reverend Dr. Nelson "Fuzzy" Thompson for the fourteen (14) years of dedicated service at Mason Memorial United Methodist Church and his lifetime of service to our community, and wishes him success and happiness in his retirement.

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Acting Chief Deputy County Counselor

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County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution # 15533 of June 20, 2005, was duly passed on \_\_\_\_\_ June 20 \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ 0 \_\_\_\_\_

Abstaining \_\_\_\_\_ 0 \_\_\_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Date

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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature