

Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating David William Kierst, Jr. upon retirement and acknowledging the many contributions he has made during his 26 year service with the Jackson County Family Court.

RESOLUTION #15021, May 17, 2004

INTRODUCED BY Robert A. Stringfield, County Legislator

WHEREAS, David William Kierst, Jr., recently retired as the Juvenile Officer for Jackson County and

Director of Family Court Services after 26 years of service to the Jackson County Family Court; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Kierst is a graduate of Rockhurst College and the University of Kansas School of Law; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Kierst married Julie Burns and they have two children, son David residing in Kansas City with his wife Shannon and children Abigail and Benjamin, and daughter Rachel residing in Seattle, Washington; and,

WHEREAS, in 1978, he was appointed Judicial Commissioner for the Juvenile Division of the Sixteen Judicial Circuit and served that role for 15 years where he was instrumental as a presenter, facilitator, and participant in the development of the juvenile justice system for the County and the State of Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, with the establishment of the Family Court in 1993, Mr. Kierst was appointed as the

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Juvenile Officer of Jackson County and the Director of Family Court Services where he used his knowledge and expertise to implement many critical programs making significant positive impacts upon the youth of our community as well as to initiate personnel policies and infrastructure assessment and improvements that have been critical components in the retention of quality personnel in an effective working environment; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Kierst has received many awards and honors for his hard work and dedication, including the Heart of CASA award, Hickman Mills Management II School Program award, and COMBAT Distinguished Partnership award; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Kierst has been a driving force within the Jackson County Family Court for 26 years and his success in the development of the juvenile justice system will have long lasting positive effects on the youth of our community; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature congratulates David William Kierst, Jr., on his retirement, extends sincere appreciation for his service to the community and the Jackson County Family Court, and wishes him success and enjoyment 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:

Acting County Counselor

Jackson County Missouri

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Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution # 15021 of May 17, 2004, was duly passed on _____May 17_____, 2004 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____8 ____ Nays _____0 ____

Abstaining _____0 ____ Absent _____1____

Date

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature