



Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating John Walsh and the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department upon being selected as recipient of the "Acts of Caring" Award for the outstanding volunteer service program.

RESOLUTION 13175, April 10, 2000

INTRODUCED BY Fred Arbanas, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Program was established in 1988 when John Walsh, an experienced volunteer, "volunteered" to coordinate a department-wide program; and,

WHEREAS, countless hours of research and networking went into developing the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Program has become so successful that it now employs a full-time coordinator and volunteer office staff to oversee it; and,

WHEREAS, today over 800 volunteers annually work side by side with department staff in implementing Jackson County Parks and Recreation programs and events; and,

WHEREAS, volunteers contribute over 25,000 hours of service annually in over 50 different program areas ranging from special recreation and day camp activities to youth sports, natural resources, and historic site interpretation; and,

WHEREAS, volunteers, including seniors, youth, families, and businesses, provide meaningful and caring services for all ages in our community from children to senior adult groups; and,

WHEREAS, just in the past calendar year 1999 alone, volunteer service hours contributed over Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars worth of savings for the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department and the citizens of Jackson County; and,

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2000, the National Association of Counties selected the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Program as the winner of its first-ever "Acts of Caring Awards" Program for volunteerism; and,

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties, will recognize the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Program, and 15 other U.S. counties at an awards ceremony held at

the United States Capitol on April 13, 2000, during National County Government Week; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature congratulates John Walsh and the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Department upon being selected as recipient of the "Acts of Caring" award for the outstanding volunteer service program.

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution #13175 of April 10, 2000 was duly passed on _____ April 10 _____, 2000 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____ 7 _____

Nays _____ 0 _____

Abstaining _____ 0 _____

Absent _____ 2 _____

Date

Mary Jo Brogato, Clerk of Legislature