



# Jackson County Missouri

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## Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION congratulating Master Patrol Officer Melvin E. Blunt upon being named Officer of the Month by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund in Washington D.C.

RESOLUTION #12575, March 8, 1999

INTRODUCED BY Bob Spence, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Washington, D.C.-based National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring America's law enforcement officers for their service and sacrifices; and,

WHEREAS, in 1996 the NLEOMF began its Officer of the Month program, recognizing federal, state, and local officers who distinguish themselves through exemplary law enforcement service and devotion to duty; and,

WHEREAS, the Officer of the Month chosen for January 1999 was Master Patrol Officer Melvin E. Blunt of Lee's Summit, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, for the past 22 years, Officer Blunt has dedicated his life to safeguarding the citizens of Lee's Summit, Missouri, beginning as an officer in 1977; and,

WHEREAS, on May 13, 1983, Officer Blunt was shot twice by a wanted felon during a routine traffic stop, and was severely wounded; and,

WHEREAS, in spite of his injuries, Officer Blunt was able to radio for assistance, give a description of the felon and direction of escape, and because of Officer Blunt's courage under such duress, his assailant was captured; and,

WHEREAS, in 1988, Officer Blunt founded the Lee's Summit Youth Court, a program that receives referrals from Family Court; and,

WHEREAS, Officer Blunt has also received recognition from several civic organizations, including the Missouri PTA, for his contributions made to the improvement of the quality of life to all children in Lee's Summit; and,

WHEREAS, Officer Blunt was a co-founder of the D.A.R.E. program in Lee's Summit and is currently a D.A.R.E. instructor and known in the schools as Officer Mel; and,

WHEREAS, Officer Blunt serves as a role model to young people and is a valuable asset to the community; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature congratulates Master Patrol Officer Melvin E. Blunt upon being selected Officer of the Month by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund in Washington, D.C.

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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County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution #12575 of March 8, 1999, was duly passed on \_\_\_\_\_ March 8, \_\_\_\_\_, 1999 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

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

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

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Date    Mary Jo Brogato, Clerk of Legislature