

House Resolution No. 3899

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents whose entrepreneurship and creativity help to broaden and deepen the economic foundations of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, James Thomas "Jimmy" Tebeau has attained considerable distinction as a musician since his birth in Saint Louis on October 17, 1967; and

Whereas, a graduate of Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Jimmy Tebeau is a full-time professional musician who has performed in bands since the age of fifteen and who founded "The Schwag" in 1992; and

Whereas, the lead singer, bass player, booking agent, promoter, and special event producer for The Schwag, Jimmy Tebeau performs an average of one hundred forty concerts per year in sixteen midwestern states; and

Whereas, Jimmy Tebeau and The Schwag have a repertoire of more than two hundred songs, most of which are interpretations and arrangements of popular rock-n-roll, bluegrass, jazz, blues, and country songs; and

Whereas, after several years of weekly gigs at Cicero's in Saint Louis and numerous theater, nightclub, college, and private venue events, Jimmy Tebeau launched a series of outdoor concerts called "Schwagstock" which took place at rented campgrounds; and

Whereas, in 2004 Jimmy Tebeau purchased a 330-acre campground north of Eminence; added such improvements to the property as roads, electric meters, stages, phone lines, a general store, a concession stand, an ATM, a pay phone, high speed internet satellite, and living quarters; renamed the place "Zoe Campitheater"; scheduled five The Schwag performances and other big-name bands; and moved himself and his wife, the former Tiffany Bonnell, to the location as their permanent residence:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the entrepreneurial spirit and creative skills embodied in the life and work of Jimmy Tebeau and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of James Thomas "Jimmy" Tebeau of Salem, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Thomas A. Villa
 District No. 108

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3899, adopted July 1, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker