

# House Concurrent Resolution No. 28

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROWLAND (29).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

1           **WHEREAS**, Missouri residents with disabilities are deserving of having the same choice  
2 of where, how, and with whom they work and spend their time as other Missouri residents; and

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4           **WHEREAS**, Missouri sheltered workshops, in partnership with business and industry,  
5 are an integral part of their local communities and their economies; and

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7           **WHEREAS**, programs and employment offered by Missouri's sheltered workshops,  
8 through projects contracted at their facilities, supported enclaves, contracts at Missouri's rest  
9 stops, employment through AbilityOne contracts, and independent work assignments provide  
10 Missouri residents with disabilities the opportunity to meet new people, gain new skills, and earn  
11 the respect, dignity, and other ancillary human benefits that come with earning a paycheck and  
12 making a contribution to society; and

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14           **WHEREAS**, approximately 6,000 Missouri residents with disabilities avail themselves  
15 of the opportunity to participate in these programs and related employment; and

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17           **WHEREAS**, the parents, guardians, and caregivers of many of these participants support  
18 and attest to the benefits of these programs and the employment provided under them; and

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20           **WHEREAS**, individuals with disabilities should be free to choose the settings in which  
21 they receive services or employment, including programs and employment offered by Missouri's  
22 sheltered workshops through projects contracted at their facilities, supported enclaves, contracts  
23 at Missouri's rest stops, employment through AbilityOne contracts, and independent work  
24 assignments;

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26           **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
27 Representatives of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate  
28 concurring therein, hereby reaffirm Missouri's support of the services of the sheltered  
29 workshops of our state.

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