## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

## **House Concurrent Resolution No. 49**

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## **AN ACT**

Relating to the St. Louis schools board of education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Whereas, because the Missouri Constitution states that a general diffusion of knowledge and intellect is necessary to preserve the rights and liberties of the people, and this finding places a solemn obligation upon the General Assembly to support education; and

Whereas, the Missouri General Assembly, in an effort to serve and protect the best interests of the students, teachers, staff, and taxpayers of the City of St. Louis Public School District and the taxpayers of the State of Missouri and to protect the financial assets of the St. Louis Public Schools, believes that principles should be in place to guide the upcoming transition of authority; and

 Whereas, the Missouri General Assembly believes that the best interests are served if the Assembly acts to ensure the smoothest possible transition in governance in the interim period before the special advisory board for the City of St. Louis Public Schools under Section 162.1100, RSMo, assumes the powers of the St. Louis Public Schools Board of Education on June 15, 2007:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby encourage the current St. Louis Public Schools Board of Education and any members-elect of the board to do everything within their power to assure a smooth transition and to refrain from taking any action or position that would work to the detriment of the academic achievement of the district's children or would worsen the district's financial position; and

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Be it further resolved that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.