

House Concurrent Resolution No. 23

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

Relating to the observance of Ronald Reagan Day in Missouri.

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

Whereas, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, Union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and President of the United States; and

Whereas, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, the second of which he earned the confidence of 60% of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election - a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

Whereas, in 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

Whereas, during Mr. Reagan's presidency, he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

Whereas, Mr Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

Whereas, President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st Century challenges; and

25 **Whereas**, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold
26 War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people;
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29 **Whereas**, February 6, 2008, will be the 97th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth, and
30 the third since his passing:
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32 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
33 Representatives of the Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate concurring
34 therein, hereby declare February 6th of each year to be "Ronald Reagan Day" in Missouri and urge all
35 citizens of Missouri to recognize this event and participate fittingly in its observance; and
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37 **Be it further resolved** that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval
38 or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.

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