

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Concurrent Resolution Nos. 4 & 5, Page 1, Line
2 17, by deleting the words "routinely granted;" and inserting in lieu thereof "sometimes granted,
3 within the legal parameters allowed;"; and
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5 Further amend said resolution, Page 2, Lines 21-22, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu
6 thereof the following:
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8 "state in a decision by the Missouri Supreme Court on March 22, 1852; and
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10 WHEREAS, that 1852 Missouri Supreme Court decision deviated from Court precedent
11 freeing former slaves and stated: "Times are not now as they once were when the former decisions
12 on this subject were made. Since then not only individuals but States have been possessed with dark
13 and fell spirit in relation to slavery . . . the state of Missouri is willing to assume her full
14 responsibility for the existence of slavery within her limits, nor does she seek to share or divide it
15 with others,"; and
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17 WHEREAS, after this decision, the Scotts persisted in their pursuit for freedom, ultimately
18 resulting in the infamous decision by the Supreme Court of the United States on March 6, 1857,
19 holding that as African Americans, Dred and Harriet Scott did not have the right to sue for their
20 freedom, consigning African Americans to a permanent inferior status in this country; and"; and
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22 Further amend said resolution and page, Line 24, by deleting the word "negative" and inserting in
23 lieu thereof the word "regrettable"; and
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25 Further amend said resolution and page, Line 28, by deleting all of said line and inserting in lieu
26 thereof the following:
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28 "WHEREAS, the 1852 Missouri Supreme Court Dred Scott decision opened the door for the 1857
29 United States Supreme Court's decision declaring that people of African ancestry "had for"; and
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31 Further amend said resolution and page, Line 32, by deleting the words "benefit" was" and inserting
32 in lieu thereof the word "benefit","; and
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34 Further amend said resolution, Page 2, Line 33, by inserting after all of said line the following:
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36 "WHEREAS, it is time for these open doors to be unequivocally closed; and"; and

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2 Further amend said resolution, Page 3, Lines 52-53, by deleting all of said lines; and
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4 Further amend said resolution and page, Line 55, by inserting after the word "WHEREAS," the
5 following:
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7 "two hundred years after this State's founding, during the bicentennial of this State's founding,"; and
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9 Further amend said resolution and page, Lines 61-62, by deleting all of said lines an inserting in lieu
10 thereof the following:
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12 "concurring therein, that, as the 1852 Missouri Supreme Court decision recognized "times are not
13 now as they once were when the former decisions on this subject were made"; and, that the times
14 have once again changed and we declare the March 22, 1852, Missouri Supreme Court Dred Scott
15 decision is fully and entirely renounced; and"; and
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17 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
18 accordingly.