



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Mount Vernon Township High School (MVTHS)  
3 Sports Hall of Fame will hold its inaugural banquet on February  
4 5, 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, The banquet kicks off the Centennial Year  
6 Celebration at MVTHS; other events are slated for the school  
7 this spring and the celebration concludes with an all-class  
8 reunion in June; and

9 WHEREAS, The Sports Hall of Fame was started during the  
10 summer of 2004 as a partnership between MVTHS and the Mount  
11 Vernon Register-News; and

12 WHEREAS, Register-News managing editor Jeremy Hall served  
13 as chairman of the Steering Committee, a group that also  
14 included MVTHS Athletic Director Doug Creel, Fred Deichman,  
15 Alan Estes, David Farley, Jeff Haarmann, Kevin Martin, Scott  
16 Tickner, and Rob Wielt; and

17 WHEREAS, The Steering Committee appointed a Selection  
18 Committee, and a group of six individuals and two teams were  
19 chosen to comprise the inaugural class; the 2005 inductees into  
20 the MVTHS Sports Hall of Fame are: Coach Stanley Changnon, Max  
21 Hooper, Walt Moore, Walt Kirk, Jr., Kent Williams, and Albert  
22 Avant; the teams are the 1949-50 and 1953-54 boys basketball  
23 teams; and

24 WHEREAS, The MVTHS Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony  
25 pays tribute to the individuals and teams who have  
26 distinguished themselves by excellence in performance and  
27 achievement; it also recognizes the importance of sports and  
28 the significant contributions of coaches, athletes, and teams  
29 to our culture; the inspiration they give to their community of  
30 fans is inestimable; and

1           WHEREAS, Mike Bevis of Lipps Construction constructed a new  
2           spotlighted trophy case that will house the MVTHS Sports Hall  
3           of Fame in the entrance to Changnon Gymnasium; and

4           WHEREAS, Local banks and individuals have donated money to  
5           pay for plaques and lettermen's jackets for those elected into  
6           the Hall; therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8           NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9           we honor the 2005 MVTHS Sports Hall of Fame inductees and  
10          extend our sincere congratulations to these outstanding  
11          individuals and teams; and be it further

12          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13          presented to the MVTHS Sports Hall of Fame as an expression of  
14          our esteem.