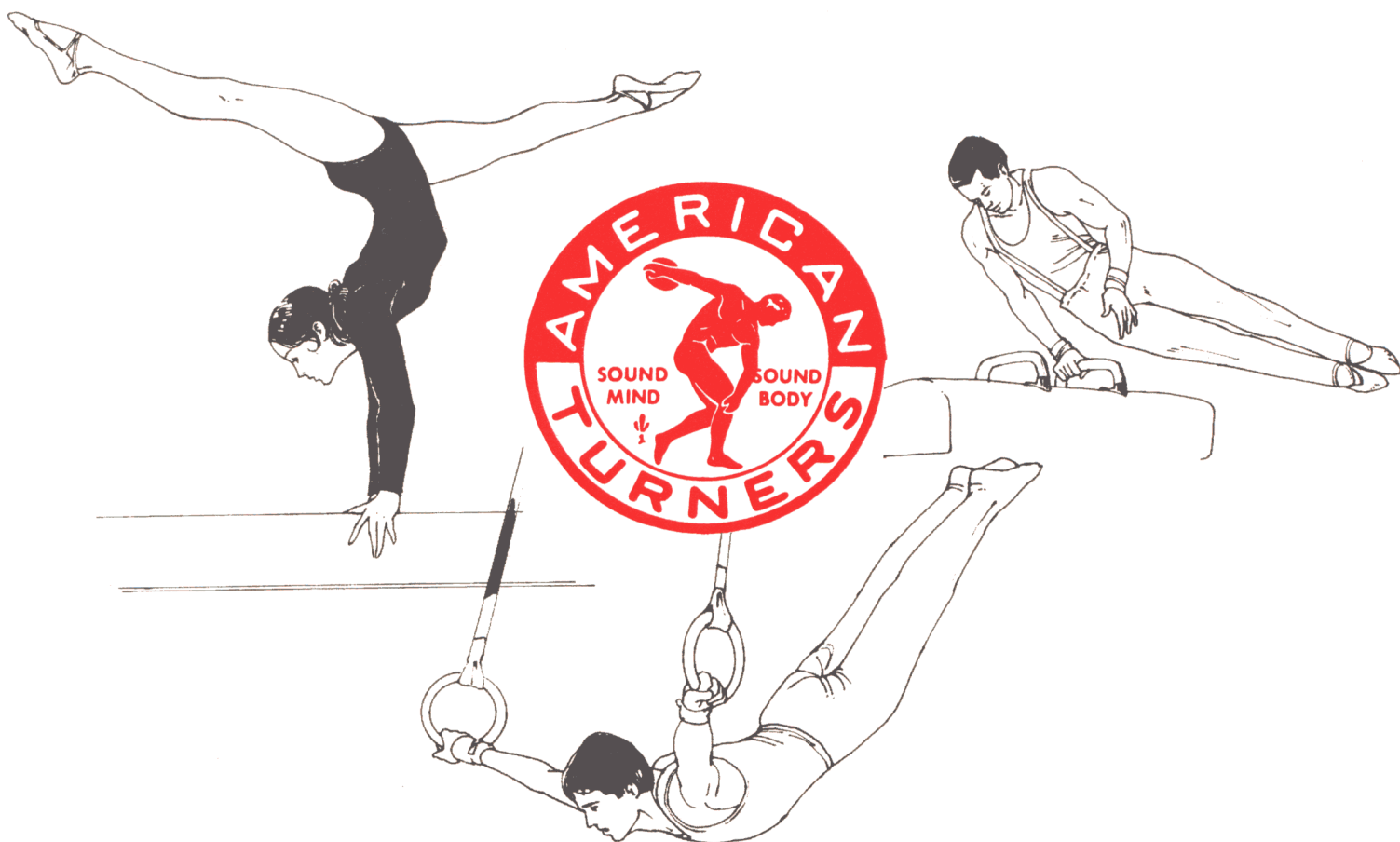


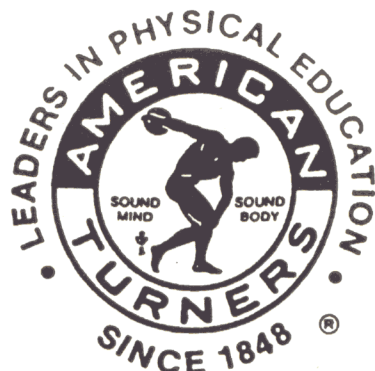
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*St. Louis, Missouri*



*June 23-27, 1999*



## **NATIONAL PRESIDENT JERRY JACQUIN WELCOMES ALL TURNERS**

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Turners of all ages, whether you be competitors in Physical Activities, Cultural Events or Spectators, to the 50th National Festival of the American Turners. The City of St. Louis and the members of the Concordia Turners, have opened their doors and their hearts to all of us who are attending this great event. On behalf of the American Turners I sincerely thank all of you who have volunteered your time and talents to make this event the greatest Festival of this millennium.

For many of us, this is the only time we not only meet as competitors, but we also meet as friends. Now is the time to renew old acquaintances, make new friends, and have fun. Concordia Turners has prepared an excellent social program for the adults as well as our youth.

If you are here on Wednesday evening, please join us for the opening ceremonies, the parade, and the 1999 "Miss American Turner" contest at the Concordia Turners.

With Turner Greetings,

Jerry Jacquin  
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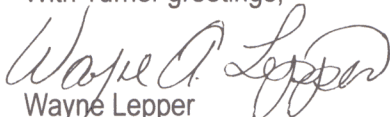
On behalf of all Concordia Society members, it is my pleasure to welcome you to St. Louis for the 50th National Festival. The privilege of being host to this National event makes us all proud, and we will be working to show you the greatest Festival ever.

Whether you come as a visitor or competitor in the physical and cultural program, I hope you will enjoy our hospitality and friendship and carry home with you the true meaning of the motto, "A Sound Mind in A Sound Body."

We wish all Turners much luck in this Turner Festival in whatever their participation, and your Society much success in the coming years. We hope you will leave St. Louis with fond memories of our fair city and that you will return often to Concordia to share our hospitality.

Enjoy yourself while in St. Louis and have a safe journey home.

With Turner greetings,

  
Wayne Lepper  
President of Concordia Turners

**Concordia Turners gives a special thanks to**  
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## **RESOLUTION NUMBER 28**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that from June 23-27, 1999, the St. Louis Concordia Turners Gymnastic Society and the City of St. Louis will once again host the 50th National Festival of the American Turners; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Festival, which is held every four years, is a family oriented event highlighting athletic competition and good sportsmanship as well as the ideals and high standards of the Turner organization; and

**WHEREAS**, the Turner tradition was begun in this country by German immigrants including Friedrich Ludwig Jahn, who helped establish physical education classes in the public school systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Louis Concordia Turners Gymnastic Society was founded in 1875 and has welcomed the Festival to St. Louis on five different occasions, most recently in 1975; and


**WHEREAS**, this year's National Festival of the American Turners will attract more than 600 competitors from 60 cities around the country and will include athletes from Germany;

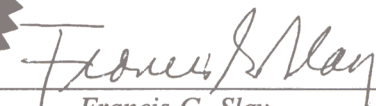
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that welcome all of the competitors and their families to the City of St. Louis for the 50<sup>th</sup> National Festival of the American Turners and we thank them for their many contributions to this community and to communities throughout the country and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

*Introduced on the 14th day of May, 1999 by:*

**Honorable Fred Heitert, Alderman 12th Ward**

*Adopted this the 14th day of May, 1999 as attested by:*

  
Fred F. Steffen  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

  
Francis G. Slay  
President, Board of Aldermen



# Missouri House of Representatives



## Resolution

*Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives readily acknowledge the benefits that sports education creates for individuals who seek to develop and maintain healthy bodies and sound minds as preparation for the challenges of both today and tomorrow; and*

*Whereas, the history of physical education in the United States is very much the history of the American Turners which is the end result of a sporting tradition brought to this country by German immigrants and Friedrich Ludwig Jahn who helped to establish physical education classes in public schools; and*

*Whereas, while Turner programs have evolved down through the years in keeping with the changes in our society, the National Festival or Turnfest has remained a highly esteemed and constant event; and*

*Whereas, held every four years, Turnfest competitions involve individuals and teams from all over the United States in gymnastics, track, swimming, volleyball, golf, drills, and cultural achievements; and*

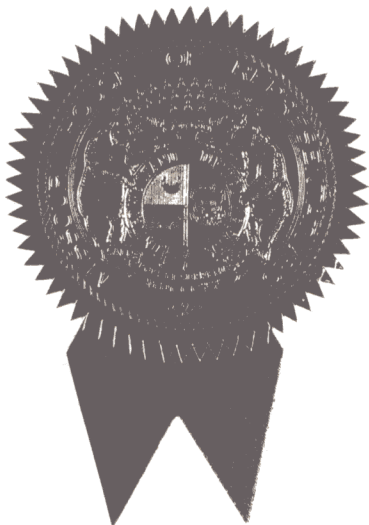
*Whereas, with sixty cities participating in this National Festival, the Turner organization welcomes competitors from its home country of Germany and uses the exhibition and competitive activities to demonstrate the ideals and standards of work in American Turner societies from across the United States; and*

*Whereas, family oriented with emphasis on competition and good sportsmanship, events involve competitors who range in age from young children to senior citizens with more than fifty years of experience in Turner challenges; and*

*Whereas, founded in 1875, the St. Louis Concordia Turners Gymnastic Society will host the next National Festival of the American Turners from June 23-27, 1999, in what will be the fiftieth festival since 1851 and the sixth to be held in St. Louis:*

*Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninetieth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the work of the American Turners Society and to welcome its events back to the Show-Me State with an illustrious host to be found in the City of St. Louis; and*

*Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the fiftieth National Festival of the American Turners.*



Offered by *Ron Auer*  
Representative Ron Auer  
District No. 59

*James O'Toole*  
Representative James O'Toole  
District No. 68

I, Steve Gaw, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninetieth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 739, adopted April 8, 1999.

*Steve Gaw*  
Steve Gaw, Speaker



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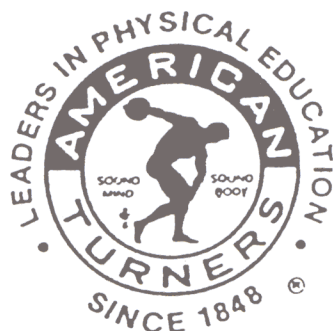
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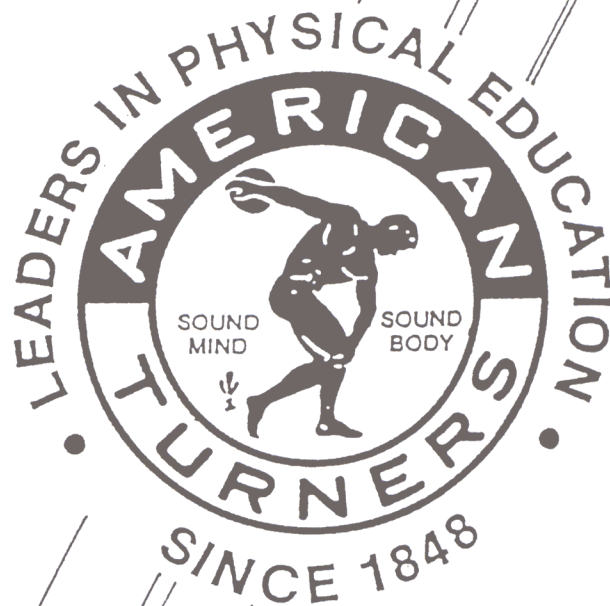
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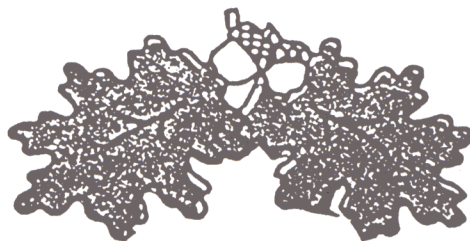


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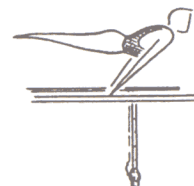


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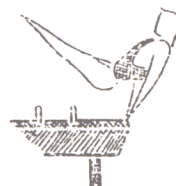
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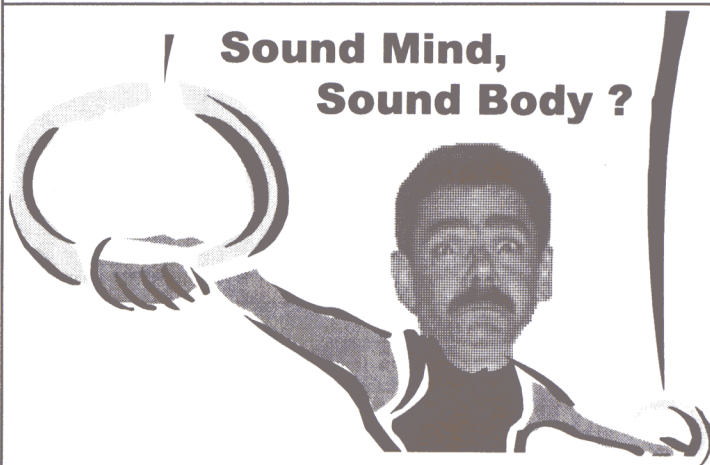
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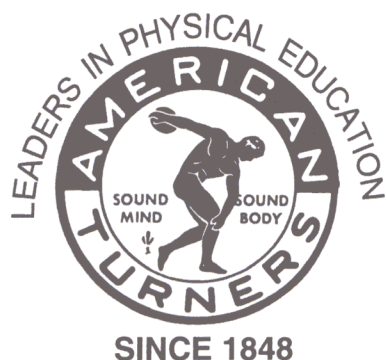
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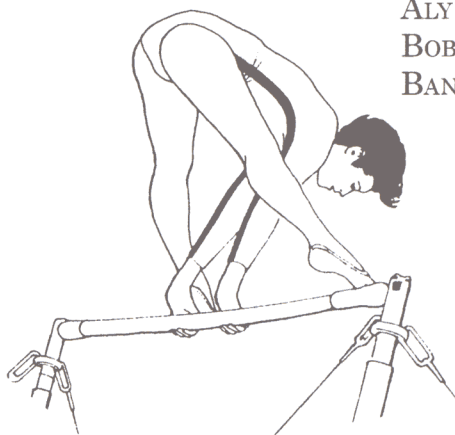
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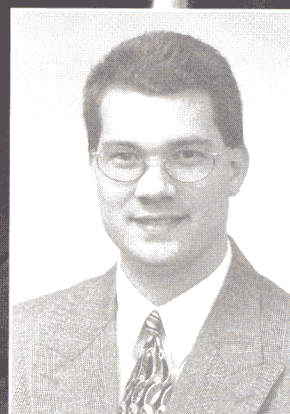
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