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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Speaker Todd Richardson issued a Poplar Bluff High School senior a resolution on behalf of the Missouri House of Representatives on Thursday, Nov. 11, for founding Students Against Sexual Assault, the only such student-led organization in the state on the high school level as far as the legislator is aware of, he said.

With full support of the R-I administration and Board of Education, Grace Hudson established SASA this school year to raise awareness and protect teens from sexual assault, and domestic and dating violence.

With participation from about 70 members, presenters during monthly meetings have included martial artist Judy Schremp, Warrior Strength & Power owner, who shared self-defense techniques; and Mary Ann Allen, Haven House executive director, who talked about the community's shelter for domestic violence victims and their children.

PBHS communication arts teacher Beth Fox-Godwin serves as the sponsor of the after school club. For more information about SASA, visit their Facebook page by clicking **HERE**.

Shown in the photos: Speaker Todd Richardson recites to Grace Hudson a Missouri House proclamation, which recognized the student for advocating for victims of sexual assault and giving a "voice to this critical societal problem."

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