

Dear Mr. Lieutenant Governor,

I am proud to be an American because all kids get an education,
And for a bookworm like me this is quite the celebration.

We celebrate the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution,
Where soon after our founding fathers signed the constitution.

We beat the British,
When they saw our soldiers they became skittish,

With the help of France, with the help of Spain,
We were like an unstoppable train.

Now that you know how our country came to be,
Let me tell you why I love the land of the free.

We have the most spectacular National Parks,
Such as Missouri's very own Gateway Arch.

I love our system of government, the democracy,
Because all citizens can work hard to earn success,
It's called Meritocracy.

I am thankful to have the freedom of religion,
Because I can worship God without needing permission.

That's the scoop, the reasons why,
I am proud to be an American,
May the red, white, and blue always fly.

A proud citizen,
Amelia Seidelman