

House Resolution No. 726

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take great pride in honoring outstanding individuals as they attain truly significant milestones in their lives; and

Whereas, Theo Suter of Arth, Switzerland, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of his Ninety-fifth Birthday with a special celebration in Muotathal, his birthplace and ancestral home, on March 24, 2002; and

Whereas, on March 14, 1907, God brought a special gift to Josef and Marie Suter-Betschart with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Theo, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating his birthday, Theo Suter will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in his life such as spending time in St. Louis, Missouri, as a young man learning the carpenter trade with his brothers, Melchior and Alois, both of whom settled down in St. Louis; returning to Switzerland, where he founded his own construction company, Theo Suter's Sohne, and earned a reputation as a Zimmermeister; and constructing a cross and carrying it to the top of the Rigi Mountain, where it was erected and stood as a monument to Our Maker; and

Whereas, God has blessed Theo Suter with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Marie Hediger; five sons, Josef, Georg, Theo, Hugo, and Fredy; fifteen grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devote and humble man, Theo Suter is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received from the good Lord who is the center of his life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Theo Suter at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his golden years; 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 for Theo Suter, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
 Representative Derio Gambaro
 District No. 65

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 726, adopted March 12, 2002.

 Jim Kreider, Speaker