

## House Resolution No. 79

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those journalistic enterprises which are dedicated to meeting the need of local communities and neighborhoods for accurate and timely news; and

**Whereas**, on January 14, 1953, James D. Turnbaugh, Jr., published the first edition of the Grandview Advocate, a weekly newspaper which has been devoted to covering events in southwest Jackson County as the "Voice of Grandview"; and

**Whereas**, two years later, on May 23, 1955, James Turnbaugh and Agnes Anne Turnbaugh purchased the Jackson County Times to incorporate into their growing publishing concern; and

**Whereas**, the Turnbaughs issued the first edition of the new Jackson County Advocate on May 26, 1955, and set a high standard for community journalism which is still heralded today; and

**Whereas**, the Turnbaugh family is justifiably proud of its continuing tradition of family ownership and operation of the Jackson County Advocate, which also has utilized the skills, knowledge, and vision of Joseph D. Turnbaugh and Annette Turnbaugh down through the years; and

**Whereas**, Jackson County Advocate headlines serve as a concise historical record of events and people important to the area, including a tornado which swept through Martin City, Hickman Mills, and Ruskin Heights on May 20, 1957; the centennial anniversary of the birth of President Harry S Truman, whose family home is in Grandview; expansion of City Hall and the subsequent building of a new structure; the arrival of presidential candidate John F. Kennedy; a successful polio immunization drive; expansion of the local police force; and the KCS Depot move; and

**Whereas**, the illustrious standards of the Jackson County Advocate have resulted in receipt of numerous Missouri Press Association Blue Ribbon Weekly Newspaper awards since 1957:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the notable achievements of the Jackson County Advocate during its fifty-year publishing history and to convey to its publishers, the Turnbaugh family of Grandview, this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued professional and business success for many more years to come; 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 celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Jackson County Advocate.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
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I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 79, adopted January 16, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker