

House Resolution No. 157

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who distinguished himself as a dedicated public servant for many years; and

Whereas, Thomas M. MacDonnell, M.D., of Marshfield was elected to the Missouri House of Representatives in 1986 where he served for eight years and distinguished himself as a member of such important committees as Social Services, Medicaid and the Elderly (Chairman); Public Health and Safety (Vice Chair); and Appropriations-Social Services and Corrections; and

Whereas, born January 9, 1923, Dr. MacDonnell attended Drury College and Southwest Missouri State University (SMSU) before earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Medicine from the University of Missouri-Columbia and his Doctor of Medicine from Indiana University; and

Whereas, Dr. MacDonnell dutifully served his country in the United States Army from 1942 to 1945, receiving the Silver Star and two Purple Hearts for sacrifices made during World War II; and

Whereas, a family physician, cattle rancher, and tree farmer for many years, Dr. MacDonnell compiled an enviable list of service to such important organizations as the SMSU Board of Regents, Marshfield School Board, Missouri State Hereford Association, Webster County Fair Board and Medical Society, Harry Bridwell FFA Foundation, Greene County Medical Society, MSMA, AAFP, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and DAV; and

Whereas, Dr. MacDonnell is the proud recipient of several awards and honors, including the 1991 University of Missouri Medical Alumni Organization Distinguished Service award, the 1988 Missouri Academy of Family Physicians Outstanding Service award, and the 1992 University of Missouri Faculty-Alumni award; and

Whereas, Dr. Tommy considers himself most fortunate for the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Ann; his eight children, Sally, Patricia, Thomas, Carey, Jenalee, Nancy, John, and Jeremy; and many grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a moment of silent reverie to express gratitude for the achievements realized by our dear friend, Dr. Tommy, on behalf of his community, state, and nation, and to extend best wishes, much love, and constant prayers for a full, speedy recovery; 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 Dr. Thomas M. MacDonnell, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael Cunningham
District No. 145

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. 157, adopted January 28, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker