

House Resolution No. 397

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since James Paul Renner lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Evelyn Ruth Wilkinson, during a solemn ceremony in 1953 at White Oak Pond Church in Lebanon, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, James and Evelyn Renner have had the pleasure of raising two children, Paula Sue Gaunt and James K. Renner, and the privilege of spoiling two grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

Whereas, named United States Air Force Reserves Airman of the Year in 1985, James Renner has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes retiring after twenty-four years of service in the field of elementary education and succeeding in his formal role as a Rotarian; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Evelyn Renner also distinguished herself through twenty-five years of service in elementary education before entering the more leisurely years of retirement; and

Whereas, during their half century together, James and Evelyn Renner have enriched their lives by sharing such hobbies as traveling, reading, and gardening; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Renner of Lebanon will always have fond memories of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary held at the very church in which they became husband and wife:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to James and Evelyn Renner and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; 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 Mr. and Mrs. James Paul Renner.

Offered by _____
 Representative Randy Angst
 District No. 146

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. 397, adopted February 17, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker