

House Resolution No. 450

Whereas, it is with utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who truly embody the concept of Outstanding Missourian through their deeds and achievements; and

Whereas, seventy-two-year-old Bill Henderson and his forty-year-old son, David Henderson, have attained distinction as pharmacists who own and operate Henderson's Drug Store in Glasgow, Missouri; and

Whereas, one hundred sixty-one years ago Bill Henderson's great-grandfather, Osborne Henderson, purchased an apothecary shop from his colleague, Dr. Ober, after a particularly harrowing experience as the doctor's assistant led him to decide not to enter the medical field as a physician; and

Whereas, noted for its green and white tile floor with the name "Henderson's" incorporated into the design, Henderson's Drug Store has remained in the family's talented, dedicated hands ever since; and

Whereas, located at three different sites over the years, Henderson's Drug Store today is housed in the same building to which it was moved in 1916 with the pharmacy in the back and an old-fashioned soda fountain and hamburger grill near the entrance; and

Whereas, Bill and David Henderson fill prescriptions all 365 days of the year at any time of night or day, and take pride in delivering orders to those customers who can't pick them up in person; and

Whereas, in keeping with the small-town tradition of family-run businesses, Bill's wife, Delma; David's wife, Sarah; and longtime employees, Jeanie Strodtman and Susan Peuster, have proven to be an integral part of the Henderson's Drug Store business by waiting on customers at the soda fountain any time the pharmacists are busy providing much-needed medications to people in the tri-county area:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exceptional history of unparalleled service wrought by the father-son pharmacist team of Bill and David Henderson and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as they carry on a five-generation-long family business; 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 Outstanding Missourians Bill and David Henderson of Glasgow, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Wes Shoemyer
 District No. 9
 Joined by the Entire House Membership

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. 450, adopted February 20, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker