

## House Resolution No. 1730

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Bessie Marie Foster of Galena, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday with a special celebration on April 12, 2003, at the Senior Citizens Building in Crane; and

**Whereas**, on April 14, 1913, in a log cabin in Elsey, God brought a special gift to this great state with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Bessie, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

**Whereas**, while celebrating her birthday, Grannie Bessie, as her grandchildren affectionately call her, will have the opportunity to reminisce about milking cows and raising turkeys on her family farm, working at area canning factories, and retiring from Crane Garment Factory; and

**Whereas**, God has blessed Grannie Bessie with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include three children, thirteen grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren, all of whom have brought great pride and happiness into her life; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Grannie Bessie further distinguished herself by teaching herself to play the piano, a talent she utilized in the glorification of God whenever and wherever her services were needed; and

**Whereas**, at the respectful age of 90, Grannie Bessie is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received from the good Lord who is the center of her life:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Bessie Foster at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her 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 Missouri nonagenarian Bessie Marie Foster, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jay Wasson  
District No. 141

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. 1730, adopted April 10, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker