

## House Resolution No. 4013

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous delight in acknowledging milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have demonstrated the strength and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

**Whereas**, on September 16, 1943, Basil Wayne Parsons took the lovely hand of his beloved bride, June Gertrude Dempsey, as the two pledged their troth during ceremonies conducted by Pastor Arthur N. Lindsey in Clinton, Missouri, at 1:30 p.m. in the parsonage; and

**Whereas**, six decades later, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Parsons will celebrate their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on September 13, 2003, at Smith's Restaurant in Collins, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, the loving parents of Rose Ann Gleason, Karen Lujin, Wayne Parsons, and Roy Parsons, Basil and June Parsons also are the grandparents of seven wonderful children and the great-grandparents of six more; and

**Whereas**, Basil Parsons is a farmer who retired in 1977 from the Missouri Department of Transportation after twenty years of service and who rose to the rank of Sergeant with the United States Army during World War II, participated in Normandy, Northern France, Central Europe, Ardennes, and Rhineland Campaigns, and received numerous decorations and citations; and

**Whereas**, born in December but not given a proper name until the next June, June Parsons was a cosmetologist from 1940 to 1965 who owned her own business for many years and developed an excellent reputation as a farmer's housewife and as a mother; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons are active members of the Osceola community through the venue of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4197 and its Auxiliary, with Basil enjoying coon hunting with mules, pursuing other wild game, fishing, four-wheeling around the farm, and tending his garden while June sews, reads, crochets, and keeps track of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar marriage of Basil and June Parsons and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes as they observe their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary; 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. Basil Parsons of Osceola, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Larry D. Wilson  
District No. 119

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. 4013, adopted September 10, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker