

House Resolution No. 4055

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem Show-Me State residents Everett and Wilna Sturdevant who will celebrate the strength and vitality of their love and the longevity of their marriage vows by observing their Sixty-eighth Wedding Anniversary during 2003; and

Whereas, on September 28, 1935, Everett Sturdevant took the lovely hand of his beloved bride, Wilna Hanna, as the two pledged their troth in solemn wedding ceremonies; and

Whereas, residents of Windyville, Everett and Wilna met at a ball game at London Smoke School, after which Wilna and a friend accepted a ride home from Everett and his friend who were pulling a go cart behind a horse; and

Whereas, the marital union of Everett and Wilna Sturdevant has been blessed by the inclusion of a daughter, Virginia Keith, and her husband, Gene, who live in Independence; a second daughter, Patsy Ingle, and her husband, Jim, who live at Sugar Creek; a son, Lyndol Sturdevant, who lives in Windyville with his wife, Pam; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Everett is a retired carpenter who worked on a variety of building projects, including a milk plant at Lebanon, banks in Steelville and Mountain Grove, and Fort Leonard Wood, where he returned to remodel fifty-two mess halls; and

Whereas, Wilna is a farm wife who worked side-by-side with her husband to build their home and a barn, to clear a nearby hillside, and to raise tomatoes in the mid-1930s for a tomato cannery, among many other endeavors and projects; and

Whereas, Everett and Wilna are devoted members of Windyville Baptist Church, where they are known for their expertise at raising cattle and gardening:

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 Everett and Wilna Sturdevant and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon reaching their Sixty-eighth Wedding Anniversary and our best wishes for many more celebratory events to come; 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 in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sturdevant of Windyville, 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. 4055, adopted September 15, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker