

House Resolution No. 112

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse daily endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State couples who admirably demonstrate the strength and vitality of their marriage through the longevity of their vows; and

Whereas, in the midst of the turmoil of worldwide conflict, Dean O. Heck joyfully took the hand of his bride, the former Billie Bahl, as the two pledged their troth during ceremonies which were performed in Albuquerque, New Mexico, during 1943; and

Whereas, a World War II veteran who served as a Lieutenant flight instructor in the Army Air Corps, Dean Heck subsequently supported his family through his leadership endeavors as a farm training instructor for veterans in Holt County from 1948 to 1952, manager of the Holt County ASCS office from 1953 to 1960, a principal of Mound City Implement Company from 1962 to 1969, vice president of Exchange Bank from 1978 to 1989, and a University Extension Service County Agent in Johnson County; and

Whereas, holder of a Bachelor of Science degree in animal husbandry, Dean Heck cooperatively farmed with Billie until their retirement, and both earned considerable praise as members of First Presbyterian Church in Mound City; and

Whereas, Billie Heck has been active in Shiloh Extension Club, the Tuesday Federated Club, and the P.E.O. Sisterhood; and

Whereas, Dean and Billie Heck were richly blessed with the presence of two children in their lives, Don Heck of Scottsdale, Arizona, and Debbie Friend of Lewisville, Texas:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the splendid marriage enjoyed by Dean and Billie Heck down through the years and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon celebrating on December 4, 2003, the Sixtieth Anniversary of their wedding; 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 Dean and Billie Heck of Mound City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Brad Lager
 District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 112, adopted January 20, 2004.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker