

House Resolution No. 768

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Boyer, treasured residents of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, will commemorate the splendid occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on February 29, 2004, with a festive celebration and Open House to be hosted by their family at the Good Hope General Baptist Church; and

Whereas, on March 1, 1944, Burton Boyer lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Edith Farmer, and together they began their lives as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony in Ellsinore performed by Justice of the Peace Oscar Hilterbrand; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Boyer provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through many years of tireless endeavor as the owner and operator of a sawmill, log-hauler, and one of the best bus drivers in the Ellsinore school system; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Boyer enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a cook for the old Hunter school and the Ellsinore school, and as the head cook for the Van Buren Nutrition Center, from which she retired in 1994; and

Whereas, devout members of the Good Hope General Baptist Church, Burton and Edith Boyer attribute their sixty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their four daughters, the late Barbara Swafford, Louise Dameron of Grandin, Phyllis Amsden of Hunter, and Marilyn Joplin of Grandin; their two sons-in-law, Mike Amsden and Pete Joplin; their sixteen grandchildren; and their twenty-eight great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, with the words of the Lord to guide their way, Burton and Edith Boyer have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Burton and Edith Boyer upon the glorious celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them tremendous peace, prosperity, and contentment as they continue their journey along life's path; 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. Burton Boyer, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

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. 768, adopted February 26, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker