

House Resolution No. 1140

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in silent reverie to recognize the lifetime achievements of Erma C. Whitehead, an outstanding Missourian who positively touched the lives of countless individuals during her eighty-five-year journey on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Erma Whitehead was born to Horace and Clara Burkett on October 7, 1918, and was living in La Russell on March 5, 2004, when God took her home to the love and beauty of His everlasting light; and

Whereas, Erma Whitehead will be greatly missed by her grieving family whose members include two sons, Fred Whitehead of La Russell and Larry Whitehead of Winchester, Kentucky; two daughters, Patricia Guinn and Linda Heman of La Russell; one sister, Anna Lea Teeters of Marquette, Michigan; eight grandchildren; and thirteen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Erma Whitehead had also nurtured a very special relationship of love and devotion with other members of her family who preceded her in death, including her husband, Fred Whitehead; and

Whereas, Erma Whitehead will always be remembered for her radiant smile, cheerful personality, and the pride she displayed when attending various activities involving her many loved ones, all of whom brought great pride and happiness into her life; and

Whereas, a valuable member of the First Baptist Church, Erma Whitehead further distinguished herself as the co-owner and operator of Whitehead Farm Supply in La Russell, from which she retired in 1992; and

Whereas, weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning knowing Erma Whitehead is safe in God's arms and we too one day will fly away to be with her again:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in paying final tribute to Erma Whitehead and in expressing to her family our deepest sympathy at this difficult time of tremendous personal loss; 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 the loved ones of the late Erma C. Whitehead.

Offered by _____
Representative Larry Gene Taylor
District No. 68

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. 1140, adopted March 8, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker