

## House Resolution No. 1604

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State married couples who have admirably illustrated the strength and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

**Whereas**, on March 28, 1934, Raymond Duncan took the hand of his wonderful bride, the former Mary Cook, as they pledged their troth during a wedding ceremony which was performed by the Reverend P.M. Lind in his home in Queen City; and

**Whereas**, seven decades after that consecrated event, Raymond and Mary Duncan celebrated their Seventieth Wedding Anniversary at the Schuyler County Nursing Home in Queen City where they have resided since January 2003; and

**Whereas**, the loving relationship shared by Raymond and Mary Duncan has been blessed down through the years with the love and affection of their five children, Scott Duncan, who is married to Seena and lives in Springfield, Illinois; Bob Duncan, who is married to Leanna and lives in Downing, Missouri; Ruth Ann, who is married to Francis Moots of Brashear, Missouri; Jerry Duncan, who is the husband of Betty and lives in Downing; and Jean, who is the wife of George Moots of Hurdland, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, Raymond and Mary Duncan rejoiced as their family tree branched out to include thirteen grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, down through the years Raymond Duncan provided for his growing family through farming, doing mechanic work, and working at the Lancaster Sale Barn for Eddie Norman; and

**Whereas**, Mary Duncan helped her husband on their farm and also cooked for a nursing home in Memphis, Missouri;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, successful marriage of Raymond and Mary Duncan and to convey to them this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon attaining the Seventieth Anniversary of their union as husband and wife, and our best wishes for many more celebratory occasions to come in life; 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. Raymond Duncan of Queen City, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Munzlinger  
District No. 1

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. 1604, adopted April 8, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker