

## House Resolution No. 1736

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Julia Pope Spearman of Fulton, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday with a special celebration on May 2, 2004, at Southside Baptist Church; and

**Whereas**, on May 11, 1914, in Brumley, God brought a special gift to Frank and Nancey Maude Pope Spearman with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Julia, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

**Whereas**, Julia Spearman made her formal debut in 1914 along with such notable people as Civil Rights activist Daisy Lee Bates, Baseball Hall of Fame member Joseph Paul "Joe" DiMaggio, and screen actress Loretta Young; and

**Whereas**, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Julia Spearman was born the same year that composer W.C. Handy wrote the St. Louis Blues, Charlie Chaplin developed his little tramp character in a series of slapstick films, and the Panama Canal was completed, connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans; and

**Whereas**, while celebrating her birthday, Julia Spearman will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as serving as a Sunday school teacher and volunteering for OATS (Older Adults Transportation Service); and

**Whereas**, at the respectable age of 90, Julia Spearman is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Julia Spearman at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; 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 Missouri nonagenarian Julia Pope Spearman, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Danie Moore

District No. 20

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. 1736, adopted April 14, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker