

House Resolution No. 2818

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

Whereas, Artie Mae Bernsen, a treasured resident of Iberia, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on May 31, 2004; and

Whereas, Artie Bernsen came into this world on May 31, 1914, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents Lonnie E. and Martha Ellen Lilly, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, a 1934 graduate of the Iberia Academy, Artie embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved Irvin E. Bernsen, a kind and loving gentleman who enjoyed every moment of her company until his passing from this world; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Artie Bernsen enjoyed her family immensely and showed her special love for them by dutifully caring for her home and remaining supportive of their every endeavor; and

Whereas, a devout member of Fairview Christian Church, Artie Bernsen has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her four children, Joyce Ellen Malmberg, Doris Jean Clevenger, Fannie Jo Minx, and Eugene Bernard Bernsen; and her nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, now ninety years young, Artie Bernsen faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good Christian life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those she holds most dear:

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 birthday greetings to Artie Bernsen as she proudly celebrates ninety years of achievement, and in wishing her much peace and prosperity as she continues her 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 Missouri nonagenarian, Artie Mae Bernsen, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Blaine Luetkemeyer
District No. 115

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. 2818, adopted May 6, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker