

House Resolution No. 4679

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

Whereas, William D. "Bill" Everhart of Maryville, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of his Eightieth Birthday with a special celebration on November 9, 2003, at the Lions Hall in Gentry; and

Whereas, on November 7, 1923, near Conception Junction, God brought a special gift to the Everhart family with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Bill, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Bill Everhart made his formal debut in 1923 along with such notable people as radio and television newscaster Harry Reasoner, country singer Hank Williams, and Pro Football Hall of Fame member Elroy Leon "Crazylegs" Hirsch; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Bill Everhart was born the same year that "King" Oliver's Creole Jazz Band was the first black band to be recorded, Briton Hadden and Henry R. Luce founded the weekly newsmagazine Time, and President Warren G. Harding died and Calvin Coolidge was inaugurated as the thirtieth president of the United States; and

Whereas, Bill Everhart has been an eyewitness to numerous national and international events, many of which are familiar to others only through the pages of history; and

Whereas, at the respectful age of 80, Bill Everhart is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received throughout the course of his 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 Bill Everhart at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his 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 octogenarian William D. "Bill" Everhart, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4679, adopted November 17, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker