

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri couple who have enjoyed tremendous personal success through the bonds of Holy Matrimony; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. William Paul, Jr., cherished residents of Chilhowee, Missouri, will commemorate the splendid occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on January 17, 2004, with a festive celebration to be held at the Corinth Baptist Church; and

Whereas, it was on January 17, 1954, that William Hadley Paul took the hand of his beautiful bride, Reona Bell Steward, and together they were joined in marriage during a memorable wedding ceremony in Clinton; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Mr. and Mrs. Paul have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a Sunrise Optimist Educator of the Year who dutifully served his country during the Korean War, Mr. Paul provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through forty years of stellar employment as an educator, while somehow finding the time and energy for affiliation with the American Legion, Missouri Retired Teachers Association, Missouri State Teachers Association, and the Red Ribbon Campaign; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Paul enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a secretary with the Clinton Public School District for seventeen years and Sunday School Teacher; and

Whereas, proud parents and devoted grandparents who love to fish, travel, and participate in church activities, Mr. and Mrs. Paul have relished every moment they have spent nurturing their three children, Susan Denise Ingels, Samuel Wray Paul, and Gail Lynn Nevels; and spoiling their four wonderful grandchildren; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Paul often reflect upon the joys and rewards they have experienced during their fifty years of marriage and look forward to beginning their sixth decade of wedded success and happiness:

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 sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to walk hand-in-hand 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 Mr. and Mrs. William Paul, Jr., as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Shannon Cooper
District No. 120

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. _____, adopted _____, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker

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