

House Resolution No. 243

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 earth; and

Whereas, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr. of Aurora, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of his milestone Birthday on January 27, 2005; and

Whereas, on January 27, 1935, in Aurora, this great state received a true gift with the birth of an infant by the name of Jerry, who would enrich the state and the world in which he lives through hard work, personal accountability, and financial generosity to his community; and

Whereas, while celebrating his birthday, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in his life such as his marriage to Theresa and the births of his offspring; and

Whereas, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include his children, Talbet, Tyler, Toby, Tisha, Jerry Sumner, Jr., and Sandy Butler; and fifteen grandchildren; and

Whereas, born into a humble and modest family, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr. founded Service Vending Company, Incorporated, and built it into an American success story, providing the livelihood for many Southwest Missouri families; and

Whereas, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., has compiled an impressive list of achievements that includes founding and owning Service Vending Company, Incorporated, for nearly forty-one years; being a member of the Advisory Board for the Juanita K. Hammons Center for the Performing Arts and member of the Founders Club at Southwest Missouri State University; donating funds for various causes, including the Aurora Airport, ballfields in Aurora, and the Little League; and being a recipient of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Top Dawg Award and the Community Service Award; and

Whereas, Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., has earned 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-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to actively travel through 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 for Jerry L. Sumners, Sr., as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Jack Goodman
District No. 132

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 243, adopted January 26, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker