

House Resolution No. 321

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on February 27, 1909, into the loving family of John Rackley and Maude Latham Rackley in Douglas County, Beulah Couch will celebrate her Ninety-sixth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends on Thursday, February 24, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, the former Beulah Rackley established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to John L. Couch who loved and cherished her with all of his heart; and

Whereas, the marital union of Beulah and John Couch has been blessed with wonderful children, Lloyd Couch, Floyd Couch, the late John R. Couch, and the late Betty L. Couch; eleven grandchildren; twenty-five great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Beulah Couch enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, throughout her lifetime Beulah Couch has appreciated the pleasures found in singing, reading, country living, vegetable and flower gardening, piecing quilts, and working crossword and word search puzzles; and

Whereas, Beulah Couch has partaken of the spiritual activities available in Pentecostal and Assembly of God churches; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Beulah Couch:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninety-sixth Birthday of Beulah Couch and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; 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 in honor of Beulah Couch of Thayer, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

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. 321, adopted February 1, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker