

House Resolution No. 756

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the Honorable Theodore McMillian has attained considerable distinction as a circuit judge with the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in Saint Louis; and

Whereas, on Thursday, February 24, 2005, Judge Theodore McMillian will enhance his already impressive record of accomplishments when the Lawyers Association of Saint Louis and the Mound City Bar Association name their annual dinner in his honor during their traditional Black History Month Celebration, which is now in its twelfth year; and

Whereas, born on January 28, 1919, in Saint Louis, Judge Theodore McMillian earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Lincoln University in 1941 and a Juris Doctorate from the Saint Louis University School of Law in 1949; married his beloved Minnie E. Foster on December 8, 1941; rose to the rank of Lieutenant in the United States Army Signal Corps during service from 1942 to 1946; and was admitted to practice law in the state of Missouri in 1949; and

Whereas, Judge Theodore McMillian was a founding partner in the law firm of Lynch and McMillian from 1949 to 1953, served as Assistant Circuit Attorney for the city of Saint Louis from 1953 to 1956, was appointed to be a circuit judge in 1956, and served on the Missouri Court of Appeals from 1972 to 1978; and

Whereas, on September 23, 1978, Judge Theodore McMillian was appointed to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals by President Jimmy Carter; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Judge Theodore McMillian is an active member of numerous boards, organizations, and service institutions:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive legal career engaged in by Judge Theodore McMillian and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon the naming of the annual Lawyers Association of Saint Louis and Mound City Bar Association Black History Month dinner in his honor; 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 Judge Theodore McMillian of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Offered by _____
Representative Connie L. Johnson
District No. 61

Representative Margaret Donnelly
District No. 73

Representative Rachel Storch
District No. 64

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. 756, adopted February 23, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker